3 (Sem-4) ENG M 2

2017

ENGLISH

(Major)

Paper: 4.2

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION-I

(Poems)

1. Answer the following questions:

1×6=6

- (a) What does Prufrock compare the evening to?
- (b) What is the source of Auden's The Shield of Achilles?
- (c) What does 'green chapels' mean in Poem in October?

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- (d) Where is the anvil located in the forge?
- "Hearts with one purpose alone" (e) What is the 'one purpose' referred to in the above line?
- "All day I think of her" (f)Who are the T' and the 'her' referred to in the above quoted line?
- 2. Answer any two of the following questions: $2 \times 2 = 4$
 - (a) What aroused the desire of the narrator to go and live in Innisfree?
 - "In the room the women come and go (b) Talking of Michelangelo" What is the significance of the above lines?
 - What does the narrator mean by (c) saying "And the twice told tales of infancy"?

- 3. Explain with reference to the context (any two): 5×2=10
 - (a) I have heard the mermaids singing, each to each.

 I do not think they will sing to me.
 - (b) He too has resigned his part In the casual comedy;
 - (c) A springful of larks in a rolling
 Cloud and the roadside bushes brimming
 with whistling
 Blackbirds and the sun in October
- **4.** Answer any *two* of the following questions: $10 \times 2 = 20$
 - (a) What are some of the themes explored by Auden in *The Shield of Achilles* and what imagery does he use to project these themes?
 - (b) From your reading of the prescribed poems, attempt a critical essay on some of the distinguishing features of Seamus Heaney as a poet.

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- (c) Attempt a critical appreciation of either *Poem in October* or *Easter 1916*.
- (d) In The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock, how does T. S. Eliot present the world to which Prufrock belongs?

SECTION—II (Fiction)

- **5.** Answer the following questions (any *four*): $1 \times 4 = 4$
 - (a) Which book enthralled Stephen as a child?
 - (b) Whose stories did grandfather tell the little boy?
 - (c) Who is the Captain of the Sephora afraid of?
 - (d) Which country did Jorge Luis Borges belong to?

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(e) Emma Goldman's political views were that of a Socialist / an Anarchist / a Communist.

(Choose the correct answer)

- (f) What purpose does the Captain's floating hat serve?
- 6. Answer any three of the following questions: 2×3=6
 - (a) What advice does Stephen's father give him when he leaves Stephen behind at Clongowes?
 - (b) Write briefly on how the Irish society has been presented in A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man.
 - (c) Why does Leggatt kill the sailor?
 - (d) Write a brief note on either The Three Imposters or The Library of Babel.

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7. Answer any two of the following questions:

 $5 \times 2 = 10$

- (a) Attempt a character sketch of either Cranly or Charles Stewert Parnell.
- (b) Write a brief note on the theme of the Doppelganger in The Secret Sharer.
- (c) Describe Doctorow's views on marriage as presented in Ragtime.
- (d) What are Barthes' views on rewriting classics for a new generation of readers?
- **8.** Answer any *two* of the following questions: $10 \times 2 = 20$
 - (a) Discuss Doctorow's art of characterisation with reference to any two characters in *Ragtime*.
 - (b) Write a note on the role played by religion in the development of Stephen Dedalus' spiritual and intellectual life.

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- (c) Discuss the significance of the title of Joseph Conrad's The Secret Sharer.
- (d) Critically assess the views presented by John Barth in his essay *The* Literature of Exhaustion.
