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**SECOND SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION  
APRIL 2024**

English

ENG 2B 02—APPRECIATING POETRY

(2019—2023 Admissions)

Time : Two Hours and a Half

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following questions in two *or* three sentences. 2 marks each :

- 1 What is the figure of speech contained in the expression “the eye of heaven” in Shakespeare’s sonnet, and what does it refer to ?
- 2 What, according to Milton, is the true meaning of service to God ?
- 3 What were the three gifts the knight gave to the beautiful lady ?
- 4 How does Auden describe the day on which Yeats died ?
- 5 How does Dylan Thomas present death metaphorically in his poem ?
- 6 Why is the Duke jealous of the painter who painted the portrait of the Duchess ?
- 7 How does Donne want his beloved to accept his separation ?
- 8 Explain the significance of the title “The Layers”.
- 9 What does the boy think of his reflection in the water in “Childhood” ?
- 10 What makes Pablo Neruda write the saddest lines he has ever written ?
- 11 What, according to Nazim Hikmet, is the benefit of reading while in prison ?
- 12 What is an Iambic foot ?
- 13 Why does Baudelaire make an exhortation to drink ?
- 14 Explain Metonymy. Give examples.
- 15 What is an Ode ? Give examples.

(Ceiling 25 marks)

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II. Answer the following questions in *a paragraph*. 5 marks each :

- 16 Comment on the imagery in Shakespeare's sonnet.
- 17 The relationship between nature and human spirit in 'To A Skylark.'
- 18 How does the Duke in "My Last Duchess" state that the Duchess was one who could be pleased easily ?
- 19 Explain the theme of Stanley Kunitz's poem "Layers".
- 20 How does Pablo Neruda express his sorrow over his lost love ?
- 21 How does Dhasal's poem describe the sad plight of stonemasons ?
- 22 What are Baudelaire's excuses for getting drunk ?
- 23 How does Bassey Ikpi describe the conflict between the Nigerian and Western cultures in her life ?

(Ceiling 35 marks)

III. Answer any *two* of the four questions in an essay :

- 24 Milton's idea of divinity and optimism in "When I Consider How My Light is Spent".
- 25 Examine "In Memory of W. B. Yeats" as an elegy.
- 26 Theme of love in "A Valediction : Forbidding Mourning".
- 27 Examine "I am Your Man" as the supreme expression of desperate love.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)