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**SECOND SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE [SUPPLEMENTARY]
EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025**

B.Com/BBA/B.A./B.Sc

English

ENG 2A 03—READINGS FROM THE FRINGES

(2022 Syllabus)

Time : Two Hours and a Half

Maximum : 80 Marks

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

- 1 Which sections of society are adequately safeguarded in the Objectives Resolution ?
- 2 How does democracy appear to the poet ?
- 3 What is Page 3 of a newspaper ?
- 4 How can nanotechnology find a solution to terrorism ?
- 5 Why did Sylvia not speak about the nest of the white heron to the stranger ?
- 6 How are the eyes of the fish different from the eyes of the speaker ?
- 7 What were the themes of the songs and poems that our mothers composed for us ?
- 8 What does the poet mean by “you remind them what hell looks like when it wears the skin of a gentleman” ?
- 9 How is the harassment of Tirunangais different from the ragging of college students ?
- 10 Why does Chimamanda Adichie advise to reject the ‘language of help’ ?
- 11 In which subject did Malini Chib get admission at the Oxford Polytechnic ?
- 12 Why was the narrator pleasantly surprised at the University of Berkeley ?
- 13 What is “Ke-mo-nees” ?
- 14 Explain the line “farmers sowing skulls and bones.”
- 15 What is the green paper mentioned in the poem “The History Lesson” ?

(Ceiling - 25 marks)

Turn over

II. Answer the following questions in *a paragraph* of 100 words. 5 marks each :

- 16 Why does Nehru feel that the Objectives Resolution is “something much more than a resolution”?
- 17 Explain the significance of the title “How Many More Days, Democracy.”
- 18 Why did President Truman decide to use the new bomb ?
- 19 Comment on the ambiguous endings of the story “A White Heron.”
- 20 What is the message of the poem “The Fish” ?
- 21 Comment on Chimamanda Adichie’s views on cooking.
- 22 “I dress with culture every single morning.” Explain.
- 23 How does colonization affect the lives of tribes ?

(Ceiling - 35 marks)

III. Answer any *two* of the following questions in about 200 words each :

- 24 What is the Objectives Resolution ? What were the ideals presented in the Objectives Resolution ?
- 25 Trace the history of the development of military weapons.
- 26 Discuss the agonies and anxieties felt by Vidya on her journey to be a Tirunangai.
- 27 Discuss how “Entre-vous to Adulthood,” a chapter from Malini Chib’s *One Little Finger*, breaks the barrier that restricts the life of disabled people.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)