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(May/June)

ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH

Paper : ALTE-401

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions.*

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 5

- (a) How does Shelley address issues of inequality and exploitation of the English working class in *Song to the Men of England* ?
- (b) Explain the significance of the title, *Telephone Conversation*.
- (c) Analyse Atwood's use of the metaphor of a physical journey to represent an internal exploration in *Journey to the Interior*.

(2)

2. Critically appreciate any *one* of the following poems : 15

- (a) *The Gift Outright* by Robert Frost
- (b) *I Can't Help Blossoming* by Dr. Ayyappa Paniker
- (c) *House of a Thousand Doors* by Meena Alexander

3. Answer any *two* of the following questions : 15×2=30

- (a) What, according to E. M. Forster, is the prerequisite for building a new world? Explain.
- (b) State the reasons, identified by Woolf, for women fiction writers' limited success.
- (c) Comment on the racial trauma and discrimination experienced by the Blacks as narrated in Malcolm X's *Nightmare*.

4. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 15

- (a) Explain in what ways the author illustrates humour and hope of the central character in the story, *The Man Who was a Hospital*.

(3)

- (b) Describe the character of Natalya Stepanovna. How does pride affect the relationship between her and Lomov?
- (c) Comment on how the denial of right to education to women and child marriage are presented in the story, *The Exercise Book*.

5. Answer the following questions : 5×3=15

- (a) What was the condition of Jerome when he entered the British Museum and returned? Comment.

Or

What is the significance of the phrase written in the prescription, "Don't stuff your head with things you don't understand"?

- (b) Describe Lomov's first meeting with Natalya.

Or

Discuss Chubukov as a sensible father.

- (c) Discuss the significance of the exercise book in Uma's life.

Or

How does *The Exercise Book* depict the gender discrimination prevailing in Indian society? Explain.
