

B.A. 3rd Semester (Honours) Examination, 2019 (CBCS)

Subject : English

Paper : CC-VI

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

1. Answer *any ten* of the following: 2×10=20
- (a) Name the narrator in Agatha Christie's novel, *The Murder of Roger Ackroyd*. What is his uniqueness?
 - (b) Who dies first and who dies last in *The Murder of Roger Ackroyd*?
 - (c) Who are referred to as 'two victims of alcoholic excess' in Ch. 2 of Christie's novel in your syllabus? Name their spouses.
 - (d) How is Mrs Cecil Ackroyd related to Roger Ackroyd?
 - (e) Who first saw Roger Ackroyd murdered? In what state was he found?
 - (f) What made Dr Sheppard think that his neighbour 'couldn't be a hair dresser after all'?
 - (g) 'I am rather pleased with myself as a writer'— How does Dr Sheppard substantiate this?
 - (h) Why was Dr Sheppard sure that Caroline would never know the truth?
 - (i) What actually happened to Tintin when the Captain rebuked him for his supposed sneezing after dinner at Hotel des Sommets?
 - (j) What is 'chorten' as referred to in Herge's *Tintin in Tibet*?
 - (k) What in the cave near the site of the aeroplane crash assured Tintin that Chang had survived the accident?
 - (l) What were referred to as 'tsampa' and 'chang' by the porters who accompanied Tintin and the Captain to the site of the aeroplane crash?
 - (m) How is the creature that Tintin refers to as the Abominable snowman known in Nepal and in Tibet?
 - (n) What were the gestures that the Captain was greeted with by the children in the village of Charahbang?
 - (o) What reason did the Captain give for his visiting Tintin at Charahbang village?

2. Answer *any four* of the following questions: 5×4=20

- (a) What had been the gossip among people in King's Abbot for a few years before the death of Mrs Ferrars, as presented by the narrator in Ch. 2 of *The Murder of Roger Ackroyd*? 5
- (b) Who heard Ralph Paton talking secretly in the woods adjacent to the village, King's Abbot? Who was thought to be the other person with Ralph there? Who was the person really and why was the secrecy maintained by them? 1+1+3=5
- (c) What was the confession that Mrs Acroyd made to Dr Sheppard? What was Dr Sheppard's reaction? 3+2=5
- (d) What did the newspaper report say about the Nepal Air Disaster? 5
- (e) From which airport of Delhi were Tintin and the Captain supposed to board for Katmandu? What did they do in the three hours before that? How did the Captain get into the taxi for the airport? 1+2+2=5
- (f) What did Blessed Lightning in the monastery of Khor-Biyong see in his second vision when he came to return the yellow scarf? How was the vision explained by Grand Abbot in the monastery? 3+2=5

3. Answer *any two* of the following questions: 10×2=20

- (a) (i) Discuss the major themes in *The Murder of Roger Ackroyd*. 10
- Or,*
- (ii) Analyse the role and character of Dr Sheppard in Agatha Christie's *The Murder of Roger Ackroyd*. 10
- (b) (i) Discuss how Alice's adventures in Wonderland were of both enchantment and frustration. 10
- Or,*
- (ii) Discuss and comment on the narrative structure of Lewis Carroll's *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*. 10
- (c) (i) Discuss the themes of self-sufficiency and friendship in L. Frank Baum's *The Wonderful Wizard of OZ*. 10
- Or,*
- (ii) Discuss how the function of the different settings in L. Frank Baum's *The Wonderful Wizard of OZ*. 10
- (d) (i) What is Graphic Novel? Estimate Herge's *Tintin in Tibet* as a Graphic Novel. 2+8=10
- Or,*
- (ii) Critically evaluate Chang's story as told to Tintin on the way back to the monastery of Khor-Biyong. 10