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(3rd Semester)

ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH

Paper No. : ALTE-301

(Poetry, Short Story and Composition)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 54)

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

1. (a) Examine Shelley's poem, *Ode to the West Wind* as a powerful expression of the poet's longing for the regeneration of his poetic and spiritual energies. 10

Or

- (b) Write a critical commentary of Hopkins' *God's Grandeur*.

(2)

2. (a) Give a convincing interpretation of Robert Frost's *Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening* based on evidences found in the poem. 10

Or

- (b) Relate the various stages of experiences the Magi passed through while undertaking their journey.

3. Describe the changed attitude of the young man while in confinement in Chekhov's *The Bet*. 10

4. Examine the theme of love, sacrifice and hope as portrayed in O. Henry's *The Gift of the Magi*. 10

5. Write a paragraph on any *one* of the following topics : 14

- (a) An experience that changed your life
(b) The benefits of reading
(c) 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' and its clean India goal by 2019

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 16)

Answer **all** questions

Each question carries 2 marks

Answer the following questions briefly :

1. What does Blake say about the 'immortal hand' in the poem, *The Tyger* ?

(2)

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2. "An intellectual hatred is the worst,
So let her think opinions are accursed."

Why does Yeats denounce intellectual hatred?

3. "Were we led all that way for Birth or Death?"
What does the poet mean by this question?

(5)

4. How is the West Wind a destroyer and preserver?

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(6)

5. How many letters does Holmes send out and to whom?

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(7)

6. What was the peasant's reaction when he found his bread missing?

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7. Why do you think O. Henry's story is entitled *The Gift of the Magi* ?

8. Give a description of Hosmer Angel.
