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Paper Code: PGEN201GET, Paper Title: **Short Fiction: An Introduction to World Literature**

Time: 3 Hours

Total Marks: 70

Note : This question paper consists of three parts : Part – A, Part-B and Part-C. Number of words to answers each question is only indicative. Attempt all parts.

Part-A contains 10 compulsory questions of multiple choice/fill in the blank/very short answer type question. Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark. (10x1=10-marks)

Part-B contains 08 questions of which students are supposed to answer 05 questions. Answer each question in approximately 200 words. Each question carries 06 marks. (5x6=30 marks)

Part-C contains 05 questions of which students are supposed to answer 03 questions. Answer each question in approximately 500 words. Each question carries 10 marks. (3x10=30 marks)

Part –A

Q.1 Choose the right answer from the options given below. 10 x 1 =10 Marks

- (i) The famous novel ‘*War and Peace*’ was written by ()
a) Prem Chand b) Leo Tolstoy c) Leacock d) Chinua Achebe
- (ii) Who did ‘*Coloured People*’ refer in the story ‘*My Struggle for an Education*’? ()
a) Indians b) Americans c) Negros d) British
- (iii) Jhingur had bighas of land which would earn an easy.....rupees. ()
a) 500 b) 600 c) 700 d) 800
- (iv) The photographer asked author to come back on ()
a) Monday b) Wednesday c) Saturday d) Sunday
- (v) ‘*The Prisoner Who Wore Glasses*’ was written by..... ()
a) Washington b) Leacock c) Prem Chand d) Bessie Head
- (vi) The distance from Malden to Hampton to is about miles. ()
a) 300 b) 400 c) 500 d) 600
- (vii) ‘I want my photograph taken’ I said. Whom did ‘I’ refer to..... ()
a) Photographer b) Leacock c) Lady d) None of these
- (viii) Leo Tolstoy (1828-1910) was a greatthinker and writer. ()
a) Russian b) American c) African d) British

- (ix) The of that room was Washington's college examination. ()
a) reading b) sweeping c) looking d) cooking
- (x) was born in Britain but brought up in Canada. ()
a) Bessie Head b) Pearl S. Buck c) Tolstoy d) Stephen Leacock

Part-B (Short Answer)

2. Comment on the photographer's attitude once he had clicked the camera and taken the photograph.
3. How did the learned men of the court disappoint the king with regard to his questions?
4. Write a short note on symbolism in the story '*The Sound of Falling Leaves*'.
5. Describe some of the initial preparations made by the photographer to take a photograph of the writer.
6. Briefly comment on the relationship between Rob and his father, Adam.
7. Recollect your experience on the first day in university. Describe it in a paragraph or two.
8. What is the significance of Brille's glasses? Explain.
9. What, according to Washington, was his best exam? Why did he feel so?

Part-C (Essays)

10. Comment on the central theme of the story '*Marriage is a Private Affair*'.
11. Bring out the humour in the photographer's explanations of what he had done with regard to the features of Leacock.
12. Critically examine the thematic aspect of the story '*Once upon a Christmas*'.
13. '*Wisdom comes from observation and experience*'. Can you substantiate this statement with the hermit in view?
14. What early incidents in the story provide clues about Brille's personality? Discuss.
