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II - Semester U.G. Examination, May - 2015

Paper: General English (Common Paper)

Total Marks: 70

Time: 3 hours

## Part A (Maximum 100 words only)

1. Answer any two of the following:

 $5 \times 2 = 10$ 

- a. Sketch the character of Mrs. Field
- b. Sonnet
- c. Plural Markers
- d. Glorification of love in the poem "ode to Psyche"

## Part B (Maximum 300 words only)

Note: Answer all the following questions:

 $15 \times 4 = 60$ 

- 2. a) What is the central theme of the essay "An apology for idlers"?

  OR
  - b) Write a critical summary of the essay "Of youth and age."
- 3. a) Why did Maulana Azad consider Mahatma Gandhi as a man beyond the boundaries of caste, religion and nation?

OR

- b) What according to Martin Luther King is the 'urgency of the moment' the needs to be addressed?
- 4. a) According to the narrator, how does the astrologer's appearance help him to attract customers?

OR

- b) Comment on the narrative technique of Edgar Allan Poe with special reference to "The Black Cat".
- 5. a) What is the main theme of Mathew Arnold's A Wish'?
  OR
  - b) Discuss the satirical elements in the poem 'A River'.