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Programme: UG- B.A. (FYUG)

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Paper: **BNEN202DET**

Paper Title: **Reading Essays**

**Time: 2 Hours**

**Total Marks: 35**

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

**Part-A** contains **05** compulsory questions of multiple choice/ fill in the blank/very short answer type question. Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark. **(5x1=5 marks)**

**Part-B** contains **08** questions, of which students are supposed to answer 05 questions. Answer a descriptive question in approximately 200 words. Each question carries 04 marks. **(5x4=20 marks)**

**Part-C** contains **02** questions, of which students are supposed to answer 01 question. Answer each question in approximately 500 words. Each question carries 10 marks. **(1x10=10 marks)**

## Part - A

i. Francis Bacon is famous for his

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| a. Essays | b. Plays   |
| c. Novels | d. Stories |

ii. What kind of house did Elia's grandmother maintain?

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| a. Cottage    | b. Townhouse |
| b. Whitehouse | d. Mansion   |

iii. In what country does George Orwell's "Shooting an Elephant" take place?

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| a. Nepal | b. India   |
| c. Burma | d. England |

iv. What is the full name of A. G. Gardiner.

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| a. Austin George Gardner  | b. Alfred George Gardiner |
| c. Alfred Groggy Gardiner | d. None of them           |

v. Studies serve three purposes. They are \_\_\_\_\_.

## **Part - B**

2. What did Bacon mean by "Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested?"
3. Write the general idea of the essay "A Friend of Mankind" by Joseph Addison.
4. Briefly describe the great-grandmother Mrs. Field in "Dream Children".
5. What are the advantages of study according to Francis Bacon?
6. Comment on the essay "Shooting an Elephant"?
7. Why did the author think of the killing of the elephant as a serious matter?
8. Write a note on the essay "In Defence of Ignorance" by A. G. Gardiner.
9. In Joseph Addison's essay 'A Friend of Mankind', the beginning lines says, "Charity is a virtue of the heart, and not of the hands, says an old writer." Define humanity and discuss the reference from the given context.

## **Part - C**

10. According to George Orwell, he was "hated by large numbers of people" during his time in Burma. Why was he so hated? Support your answer using textual evidence.
11. How does Charles Lamb present the autobiographical elements in his essay, "Dream Children a Reverie"?

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