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Common Course—English

**REFLECTIONS ON VITAL ISSUES**

(2013-2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

**Part A**

*Answer all the questions.  
Each question carries 1 mark.*

1. How does Capra assess the impact of corporate power on Third World countries ?
2. What does Lawrence mean when he says that money has got us down ?
3. Why is it that the poor villagers in the poem 'For the Disposed' are without work ?
4. Why didn't the Indian farmers gain by the increase in the domestic price of wheat ?
5. Why does Das say that helicopters are not needed to reach Kalahandi ?
6. What does king mean by the statement '1963 is not an end' ?
7. When Ashok went back to his ship after having been tested HIV positive how did the others treat him ?
8. 'Nothing remained but self-confession'. What does Soyinka mean ?
9. How does the fellow in the air-conditioned office treat his wife ?
10. George thinks Mrs. Fitzgerald is slightly drunk. Why ?

(10 × 1 = 10)

**Part B**

*Answer any eight of the following questions each in about 50 words.  
Each question carries 2 marks.*

11. What, according to Capra is the ultimate goal of corporate strategy ?
12. How does Stiglitz define globalisation ?
13. How has economic globalisation hijacked culture ?
14. Why does the author declare that human rights cannot function in vacuum ?

**Turn over**





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15. How does Martin Luther King regard the Emancipation Proclamation ?
16. What was the only occasion when Valmiki's father lost his temper ?
17. What advice does the old woman impart to the girl regarding medicines ?
18. How does the man in the air-conditioned office behave towards his wife ?
19. Why does the speaker want the wife to come along during the family vacation ?
20. Why does Mrs. Pearson decide that the experiment has gone too far ?
21. Why does Sen call work outside the home space 'educational' for women ?
22. What are the serious side effects of globalisation ?

(8 × 2 = 16)

### Part C

*Answer any six of the following in about 100 words each.  
Each question carries 4 marks.*

23. Why, according to Capra, do the workers undergo acute suffering in times of economic recession ?
24. How did the Asian crisis pose a threat to world economy ?
25. How does Shiva illustrate that poverty and malnutrition have been on the rise in India ?
26. Why does Palkhivala say that the world continues to be 'less than half free' ?
27. When will the Africans be satisfied, according to Martin Luther King ?
28. How does Kalpana Jain attempt to reveal the inhuman treatment HIV positive people are put through ?
29. What signs of caste discrimination are portrayed in 'Joothan' ?
30. What is the wife expected to do with regard to the education of the children ?
31. Mrs. Fitzgerald advises Mrs. Pearson not to be soft on her family. How does she prove her point ?

(6 × 4 = 24)

### Part D

*Answer any two in about 300 words.  
Each question carries 15 marks.*

32. Attempt a critical appreciation to the poem 'for the Dispossessed'.
33. How does Kalpana Jain delineate a serious social problem in the extract 'stigma, shame and silence' ?
34. How does Omprakash Valmiki portray the difficulties the lower caste people faced in obtaining an education ?
35. What are the specific duties of a wife that belittle her freedom or individuality ? Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30)

