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**B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2022**

**Fourth Semester**

B.A. English

Core Course—READING POETRY

(Common for all B.A. English Programmes)

[2013—2016 Admissions]

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

**Part A**

*Answer all questions in one or two sentences each.*

*Each question carries 1 mark.*

1. What is the effect of drum beat, according to Gabriel Okara ?
2. What should be the business of poetry according to Buckley ?
3. Why does the father travel by the late evening train ?
4. What is the scenario of the poem “Tulips” ?
5. What is a poem with eight lines of iambic pentameter called ?
6. What is Masculine rhyme ? Give an example.
7. ‘To whom is the sonnet “Poor soul, the centre of my sinful earth’ addressed ?
8. Why is the lover reluctant to close his eyes in the poem ‘The sun rising’ ?
9. Where did the muse inspire the shepherd ?
10. What is a mock-heroic poem ? Give example.

(10 × 1 = 10)

**Part B**

*Answer any eight of the following questions, each in about 50 words.*

*Each question carries 2 marks.*

11. What is intended by the expression “harmonious madness” in the poem “To a skylark” ?
12. What kind of a lady is the Duchess in Robert Browning’s poem ‘My Last Duches’ ?

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13. "There were times we regretted". What did they regret ?
14. Write a short note on the style of the poem 'In My craft or Sullen Art'.
15. What is the ambition of the poet in the poem 'What I expected was' ?
16. How does Derek Walcott rediscover his personal heritage ?
17. How is "confessional intimacy" used in the poem "Tonight I can write the saddest lines" ?
18. How is death treated in the poem "Gods" ?
19. How does Wole Soyinka describe his dark curly hair ?
20. What is ambiguity ? Give suitable example.
21. What is oxymoron ? Give suitable example.
22. What is metonymy ? Give suitable example.

(8 × 2 = 16)

### Part C

*Answer any six of the following questions in short paragraph of 100 words.  
Each question carries 4 marks.*

23. Comment on the significance of the title of the poem "I'm Getting Old Now".
24. What are the rustic allusions in Wordsworth's poem ?
25. What is assonance ? Give example.
26. What is pastoral poetry ?
27. What is the significance of paradox employed in sonnet no. 146 ?
28. Consider 'The sun rising' as a metaphysical poem.
29. What are the reasons behind the fall of man ?
30. Discuss the arguments for and against Selima's decision.
31. What is an ode ? Give example.

(6 × 4 = 24)

### Part D

*Answer any two of the following questions in short essays of about 300 words.  
Each question carries 15 marks.*

32. Write a critical appreciation to Wole Soyinka's poem "To My First white hairs".
33. Consider the poem 'On the death of a favourite cat' as a mock heroic poem.
34. Explain the spiritual significance of the poem "The Journey of the Magi".
35. Write an essay on Rhymes in English poetry.

(2 × 15 = 30)

