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

**Fourth Semester**

B.A. English

Core Course—READING FICTION

(Common for all B.A. English Programmes)

[2013 to 2016 Admissions]

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

**Part A**

*Answer **all** questions each in a sentence.  
Each question carries 1 mark.*

1. What is the point of view used in the story "Quality" ?
2. Why does Hester feel unlucky ?
3. How does Ferdinand Kugler die ?
4. What is the significance of the title 'The Sacrificial Egg' ?
5. How did the lawyer spend his time during the imprisonment ?
6. Who is the narrator in the story 'The Night the Ghost In' ?
7. What is the theme of the story 'The Gold Watch' ?
8. What is the content of monsieur Raymon's letter ?
9. Where is "Valley of Ashes" located ?
10. How does Gatsby use Nick for his personal gain ?

(10 × 1 = 10)

**Part B**

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

11. What is the plot of the story 'Love Love Love Alone' ?
12. How does Maugham explore the theme of opportunity in the story 'The Verger' ?
13. What are the hallucinations of the narrator in the story 'The Terror' ?
14. How does James Thurber describe the police raid in the house ?

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15. What did Herman's mother do in the story 'The Night the Ghost Got In' ?
16. Why does the lawyer believe that life imprisonment is better than capital punishment ?
17. What is the theme of the story 'The shape of the Sword' ?
18. What are the business connections of Jay Gatsby ?
19. What are Daisy's. Connections with Gatsby ?
20. How does Meyer Wolfsheim function as a mentor of Gatsby ?
21. Why does Nick invite Daisy to have a tea at his house ?
22. Why does Albert Edward submit his resignation ?

(8 × 2 = 16)

### Part C

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

23. How did the inflated ego affect the life of the vicar in Maugham's story ?
24. How did Monsieur Raymon react to the hallucinations ?
25. What is the ending of the story 'The Bet' ?
26. What kind of a person was Miss Hilton ?
27. Attempt a character sketch of Paul.
28. What are the philosophical questions raised by Chekhov in the backdrop of the story 'The Bet' ?
29. What were the peculiar characteristic of Nick Carraway ?
30. What information did Mrs. Hereira give about herself ?
31. What are the discoveries made by Nick in his 'Journey' in the novel ?

(6 × 4 = 24)

### Part D

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

32. Attempt a critical appreciation to the story 'The Terror'.
33. Attempt a character sketch of Mr. Acton in the story 'The Gold Watch' ?
34. Discuss the cultural symbols in the story 'The Sacrificial Egg'.
35. Attempt a character sketch of Jay Gatsby.

(2 × 15 = 30)

