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V Semester B.A. Degree (CBCSS – Suppl./Improve.)  
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(2015-2018 Admns.)  
CORE COURSE IN ENGLISH  
5B08 ENG : Drama : Theory and Literature

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

- I. Answer **any one** of the following in about **200** words :
- 1) "*Macbeth* is saturated with numerous infernal forces who emmesh human souls by means of persuasion, delusion and possession" – Explain.
  - 2) Attempt a character sketch of Lady Macbeth and illustrate her role as a catalyst causing the doom of Macbeth. (1×8=8)
- II. Answer **any one** of the following in about **200** words :
- 3) "Eugene O'Neill's *The Emperor Jones* oscillates between realism and illusion depicting the diverse shades of the protagonist finally culminating in a catastrophe" – Elucidate.
  - 4) Critically examine G.B. Shaw's *Caesar and Cleopatra* as a Historical Play. (1×8=8)
- III. Answer **any two** of the following in about **80** words **each** :
- 5) Theatre of the Absurd.
  - 6) Four great tragedies of Shakespeare.
  - 7) Expressionism in Drama and its features. (2×4=8)

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IV. Annotate **any two** of the following :

- 8) Here's the smell of the blood still: all the perfumes of Arabia will not sweeten this little hand. Oh, oh, oh !
- 9) Majesty: when a stupid man is doing something he is ashamed of, he always declares that it is his duty.
- 10) You heah what I tells you, Smithers. Dere's little stealin' like you does, and dere's big stealin' like I does. For de little stealin' dey gits you in jail soon or late. For de big stealin' dey makes you Emperor and puts you in de Hall o' Fame when you croaks.

(2×4=8)

V. Answer **any eight** of the following in **one** or **two** sentences :

- 11) Who utters the lines, "Fair is foul, and foul is fair" at the beginning of *Macbeth* ?
- 12) Who killed Macbeth as depicted by Shakespeare ?
- 13) Where is the play *Macbeth* set in ?
- 14) Define a Problem Play.
- 15) Mention the names of any two playwrights associated with the Theatre of the Absurd.
- 16) What is 'Tom-Tom' referred to in the play *The Emperor Jones* ?
- 17) Against whom Brutus Jones fires the silver bullet at the end of the play ?
- 18) "It's a bleedin' queer place, ..., even in daylight. Yer don't know what might 'appen in there, it's that rotten still, Always sends the cold shivers down my back minute I gets in it" – What is Smithers referring to Jones in these lines ?
- 19) Who is the maid of Cleopatra ?
- 20) What promise does Caesar give to Cleopatra at the end of the play, *Caesar and Cleopatra* ?

(1×8=8)