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ENGLISH ELECTIVE / LITERATURE SSC-I**SECTION – A (Marks 15)****Time allowed: 20 Minutes**

NOTE: Section-A is compulsory and comprises pages 1 – 2. All parts of this section are to be answered on the question paper itself. It should be completed in the first 20 minutes and handed over to the Centre Superintendent. Deleting/overwriting is not allowed. Do not use lead pencil.

Q. 1 Circle the correct option i.e. A / B / C / D. Each part carries one mark.

(i) Whose best lyrics are among the finest in English literature?

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| A. Charles Lamb | B. Robert Herrick |
| C. S.T. Coleridge | D. None of these |

(ii) Scott is the greatest of historical _____ but he achieved fame first as a poet.

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| A. Dramatists | B. Critics |
| C. Novelists | D. Linguists |

(iii) "Blown Spume" in the poem Sea-Fever means _____

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| A. Perfume of sea water | B. Fumes flying in air |
| C. Waves touching the shore | D. Foam blown by the wind |

(iv) Whose doors have been closed on Charles Lamb in his poem 'The Old Familiar Faces'?

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| A. Close friends | B. Playmates |
| C. Children | D. None of these |

(v) "_____ welcome, darling of the Spring" says Wordsworth to the bird in his poem

'To the Cuckoo'.

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| A. Once | B. Twice |
| C. Thrice | D. Always |

(vi) Who was formerly called Mercedes?

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| A. The Countess of Morcerf | B. The Count of Monte Cristo |
| C. The Count of Morcerf | D. Morrel |

(vii) Melodrama is a dramatic piece characterised by _____

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| A. Tragic incidents | B. Comic incidents |
| C. Serious incidents | D. Sensational incidents |

(viii) 'The Count's Revenge' is based on _____

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| A. A novel | B. A drama |
| C. An old classical poem | D. A Greek Myth |



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Time allowed: 2:40 Hours

Total Marks Sections B and C: 60

NOTE: Answer any nine parts from Section 'B' and any three questions from Section 'C' on the separately provided answer book. Use supplementary answer sheet i.e. Sheet-B if required. Write your answers neatly and legibly.

SECTION – B (Marks 36)

Q. 2 Answer any NINE parts. The answer to each part should not exceed 40 to 50 words. (9 x 4 = 36)

- (i) What is the chief attraction to the singer of life in the forest?
- (ii) What is the meaning of "we Will go with you along", in the poem 'Daffodils'?
- (iii) What evidence is there in the poem that Lamb loved cheerful companionship?
- (iv) According to legend, what were the magical powers of the music of Orpheus?
- (v) Explain the line "An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth" with reference to 'The Count's Revenge'.
- (vi) What is meant by the Champs Elysees?
- (vii) How is the Count of Monte Cristo finally avenged? Write briefly.
- (viii) Why does Albert believe that the Monte Cristo's attempts at humiliating and dishonouring his family are fully justified?
- (ix) What food did Pip take for the prisoner?
- (x) Who was Herbert Pocket? Where had Pip seen him before?
- (xi) What work did Provis do in Australia?
- (xii) Why did Orlick want to kill Pip?
- (xiii) Did Pip and Estella separate again?

SECTION – C (Marks 24)

Note: Attempt any THREE questions. All questions carry equal marks. (3 x 8 = 24)

Q. 3 Explain with reference to the context any ONE of the following stanzas in 75-100 words:

- a.** We have short time to stay, as you,
We have as short a spring;
As quick a growth to meet decay,
As you, or anything.
We die,
As your hours do, and dry
Away,
Like to the summer's rain;
Or as the pearls of morning's dew,
Ne'er to be found again.
- b.** Louder, louder chant the lay,
Waken, lords and ladies gay!
Tell them youth and mirth and glee
Run a course as well as we:
Time, stern huntsman! who can balk,
Stanch as hound and fleet as hawk:
Think of this, and rise with day,
Gentle lords and ladies gay!

Q. 4 Give a character sketch of the Count of Morcerf.

Q. 5 Do you imagine Wordsworth's childhood to have been happy or unhappy? Give reasons for your answer.

Q. 6 Discuss the suitability of the title of the Novel 'The Great Expectations' by Charles Dickens.