ENGLISH ADVANCE/ELECTIVE HSSC-I

SECTION – A (Marks 20)

Time allowed: 25 Minutes

NOTE:- Section A is compulsory. All parts of this section are to be answered on the question paper itself. It should be completed in the first 25 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) In the poem "All But Blind" the one who blunders in the burning day is a/an
   A. Bat  B. Owl  C. Mole  D. All three

(ii) The phrase "the human dress" in the poem "The Divine Image" is connected with
    A. Mercy  B. Pity  C. Peace  D. Love

(iii) "Quinquatre" in the poem "Cargoes" is a/an
     A. Ancient galley  B. Modern ship  C. Ancient city  D. River

(iv) Which of the following novels has been written by D.H. Lawrence?
    A. Sons and Lovers  B. War and Peace  C. Jude the Obscure  D. Wuthering Heights

(v) The words "bonny" and "braw" in the poem "Proud Maisie is in the Wood" are in the
    A. Scottish dialect  B. Welsh dialect  C. English dialect  D. Irish dialect

(vi) "On His Blindness" by John Milton is a/an
     A. Ode  B. Lyric  C. Sonnet  D. Elegy

(vii) The nature of the poem "Ozymandias of Egypt" is
     A. Optimistic  B. Pessimistic  C. Moralistic  D. Egotistic

(viii) "Prospece" by R. Browning addresses the theme of
      A. Life  B. Death  C. Life hereafter  D. Love

(ix) In the last two stanzas of "Last Lines", Emily Bronte denies the phenomenon of
    A. Life after death  B. Life  C. Death  D. Existence of God

(x) The Song "Blow, Blow, thou Winter Wind" has been taken from a/an
    A. Poem  B. Novel  C. Essay  D. Play

(xi) The essay "Spoon Feeding" by W.R. Inge criticizes
     A. Modern life style  B. Modern politics  C. Modern women  D. Modern children

(xii) The essay "Does Culture Matter" has been taken from
     A. Howard's End  B. Two Cheers for Democracy  C. A Passage to India  D. None of these

(xiii) The word "Nebula" in the essay "The Limits of Human Power" refers to
      A. Conclusion of life or the universe  B. A particle of matter that cannot be divided
      C. The science of plant  D. A group of stars too distant to be seen

(xiv) "Aphrodite is the/a"
      (Refer to the lesson - Great God Gun)
      A. Goddess of love and beauty  B. One-eyed giant of Greek mythology
      C. German town  D. Large military depot in Britain

(xv) "Why Not Stay at Home" addresses the phenomenon of
     A. Eating  B. Travelling  C. Resting  D. Home Keeping

(xvi) What is Hemlock?
     A. English village  B. Wine  C. Poison  D. Greek god

(xvii) Which of the following is a famous nurse and emancipator? (Refer to the essay - Are Women Human)
     A. Mark Anthony  B. Parnell  C. Mary Queen of Scots  D. Florence Nightingale

(xviii) 'A pulse in the eternal mind' is a phrase taken from
       A. Last Lines  B. Prospece  C. The Soldier  D. Stopping by the Woods on a Snowy Evening

(xix) The essay "The Little Black Car" has been written by
     A. J.B. Boothroyd  B. Jerome K. Jerome  C. H. Fielding  D. None of these

(xx) "Break, Break, Break" addresses the theme of the death of
     A. Poet himself  B. Poet's brother  C. Poet's friend  D. Poet's wife

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Total Marks: 20
Marks Obtained:  

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SECTION – B (Marks 46)

Note: Attempt All the questions. Answer the following parts in about 50 to 60 words each: (6x4=24)

(i) “There is a general slackness and dislike of unnecessary exertion among our younger people”. Elaborate this line in the light of the essay “Spoon Feeding”.

(ii) What are the views of Chris Chataway about amateur athletics? Give only salient points.

(iii) “Man, however scientific he may be, is not omnipotent”. Evaluate the statement in the light of the essay “The Limits of Human Power” by Bertrand Russell.

(iv) In the context of the essay, ‘Why Not Stay at Home’ expand the line “With me, travelling is frankly a vice”, expressing the attitude of the author about travelling.

(v) Write a brief note on the message conveyed in the essay “Landlords and Industrial Employers” by G.B. Shaw.

(vi) How does E.V. Knox make the essay “How to Live Long” paradoxical in nature?

(OR)

In the context of the essay “The Spanish Bullfight” give an analysis of the Spanish people’s attitude towards bull fighting.

Q. 3

a. Answer any TWO of the following parts in about 70 to 75 words each: (2x6=12)

(i) We know that man is not all mercy, pity, peace and love. Discuss whether Blake is justified in asking us to love all other men, even if we admit that these divine qualities are embodied in human form.

(ii) Alfred Tennyson has glorified the death of his friend in the poem “Break, Break, Break”. Give a critical appreciation of the argument.

(iii) Death has been personified in the poem “Because I could not Stop for Death” by Emily Dickinson. Prove the statement in the light of the poem.

b. Keeping in mind their context explain any TWO of the following stanzas: (2x5=10)

(i) Full well they laughed with counterfeited glee
   At all his jokes, for many a joke had he,
   Full well the busy whisper circling round
   Conveyed the dismal tidings when he frowned.

(ii) Though earth and man were gone,
    And suns and universes ceased to be,
    And thou wert left alone,
    Every existence would exist in Thee.

(iii) Away! away! for I will fly to thee,
    Not charioted by Bacchus and his pards,
    But on the viewless wings of Poesy,
    Though the dull brain perplexes and retards:
SECTION – C (Marks 34)

Note: Attempt ALL the questions.

Q. 4 Write an essay of about 300-350 words on ONE of the following topics (15)
    (i) My Favourite English Poet
    (ii) Science and Religion

Q. 5 Combine SEVEN of the following pairs of simple sentences to make one sentence each using a conjunction or a relative pronoun or any other suitable connective: (7)
    (i) I opened the door. I looked out.
    (ii) The sun had set. It was still light outside.
    (iii) I had scarcely sat down. The telephone rang.
    (iv) No sooner had I opened the door. A butterfly flew into the room.
    (v) It was not only a beautiful day. It was the first day of spring.
    (vi) Do you know? The stores are open today.
    (vii) It was very hot. We decided to go swimming.
    (viii) The children sang songs. They danced for sometime.

Q. 6 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions appended to it:

    When the time for a general election approaches, candidates who wish to be
    elected travel around with loudspeakers and hold meetings. They hold meetings before
    the election because they wish to appeal to the electorate. They wish to present to the
    public what they consider to be a suitable programme for legislation when and if they
    are elected and they seek to show why their programme should be chosen in
    preference to that of their opponents. The candidates are in this way seeking to
    influence public opinion.

    Holding a meeting is probably the simplest form of influencing public opinion, but
    it is still a very important method. The speaker faces his audience which is then able to
    gauge his honesty and sincerity. In these days of political parties, the political party
    wields the greater influence than the individual speaker. Nevertheless, if as a speaker,
    he is unimpressive, he may do a lot to reduce his party's chances in the election.

    Big public meetings are not the only means of influencing public opinion. Every
    time people assemble in a group and discuss some matter, they are employing a
    method of forming and persuading opinion. In a democracy it is important that there
    should always be this attempt to get some expression of opinion even among the
    humblest people. When people meet and formulate opinion, they are really helping to
    govern themselves. So this method of assessing and gauging public opinion and
    thereby arriving at an agreement is of the greatest importance.

Questions:

(i) What is the importance of holding public meetings? (2)
(ii) What is another way of influencing public opinion besides holding meetings? (2)
(iii) What is meant by the "electorate"? (2)
(iv) Summarize the passage in about 1/3 of its length and give it a suitable title. (6)