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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, May 2015**(ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH)****(SECOND YEAR)****(PART – I)****628: PROSE, FICTION AND COMPOSITION**

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 100 marks

SECTION – A**Answer any FIVE questions****(5 × 8 = 40)**

1. Write a note on Albert Schweitzer.
2. How does a layman, according to Fredrick, look at abscondence?
3. What is the message of the story “Indian Again”?
4. State the experience of Nehru in jail as described in the essay “Animals in Prison”.
5. Why and how does Orwell shoot the elephant in “Shooting an Elephant”?
6. Write about allusion in “The First Atom Bomb”?
7. State the principles of writing pointed out by Hills in his essay.
8. How does the narrator suffer in the essay “Job Hunting”?

SECTION – B**Answer any ONE question****(1 × 20 = 20)**

9. Analyse the character of Oliver in Oliver Twist.
10. Attempt a thematic analysis of the novel Oliver Twist.
11. Discuss the role of Nancy in the novel Oliver Twist.

SECTION – C

12. Make a précis of the following passage in about one third of its length. (10)

Today there are 3000 million people in the world. Fifty years ago only about 2000 million people lived in it. If its earth's population were evenly distributed, its land surface there would be about 550 persons to the square mile. But earth has vast areas of forest, mountain, desert which are almost totally inhabitant. On the other hand, it has great cities each with millions of people living in a few square miles.

To feed the fast growing population of our earth, scientists and planners have to discover new ways to produce more. One possible way is to bring more land under cultivation. This can be done only in places where there is lot of land not used for productive purposes. In many places, this is no longer possible. As all the arable land is already cultivated. A second way is to make use of new seeds to cultivate more. Already a number of new strains of paddy and wheat have been developed in different parts of the world. India is one of the countries where a lot of useful work has been done in the field of agriculture research.

13. Write the substance of the following poem. (10)

Behold her, single in the field,
Yaron solitary Highland Lass!
Reaping and singing by herself
Stop here, or gently pass!
Alone she cuts and binds the grain
And sings a melancholy strain
O listen! for the vale profound
Is overflowing with the sound.

14. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions: (4)

The essay _____ graphic descriptions _____ the natural beauty _____ NEFA and is marked _____ a high degree of empathy for the inhabitants _____ this region.

15. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles: (4)

_____ well known scientist once gave _____ public lecture on astronomy. He described how _____ earth orbits around _____ sun and how _____ sun, in turn, orbits around the centre of _____ vast collection of stars called our galaxy.

