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B.A. (Final Year) Examination 2010
EEG 105 (Elective Course)
Understanding Prose

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks 70

Attempt **seven** questions in all.

SECTION A

1. Answer any **one** of the following: 10 Marks
- (a) List the different forms of prose. Describe any **one** of the forms.
 - (b) What is the meaning of the term 'exposition'? Describe the techniques of exposition.
 - (c) Describe the similarities and differences between the short story and the novel. Give examples of each.

SECTION B

Answer **three** questions from this section. All questions carry 10 marks each.

2. Answer the following:
- (i) What does Anne Frank call her diary?
 - (ii) What language did she write in?
 - (iii) What are her reasons for writing a diary?
 - (iv) What do you think are the best qualities of the diary?
3. In Premchand's story 'The Servant of the People'
- (i) Who is the servant?
 - (ii) Describe his character.
 - (iii) Comment on the irony of the title
 - (iv) What is meant by the last sentence 'the servant of the people looked at her with eyes of doom and turned away.'
4. Answer the following;
- (i) Briefly recount Forster's anecdote about his Indian friend.
 - (ii) What conclusions does he reach about the differences between the English and the Oriental attitude towards emotions.
 - (iii) How would you describe Forster's style in this essay?
5. Answer the following:
- (i) Where was Jawaharlal Nehru when he wrote the letter included in your course?
 - (ii) Who was he writing to?
 - (iii) He asks in the letter "Why then should I continue to write them (the letters)?" Why does he ask himself this and what answers does he give?

SECTION C

Attempt any **three** questions from this section. All questions carry 10 marks.

- 6. How does Aitken comment on the cultural divide between the North and the South? Is he critical or sympathetic in his observations?
- 7. How is biography different from history on the one hand and fiction on the other
- 8. Would you say that Shashi Deshpande's novel *The Binding Vine* has a feminist theme?
- 9. Discuss the point of view from which the story 'The Short Happy Life of Francis Macomber' has been narrated.
- 10. Relate the sub-title 'To whom Shall I Tell My Grief' to the main title of the story 'Misery'.