

**BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMME****Term-End Examination****June, 2012****ELECTIVE COURSE : ENGLISH****EEG-05 : UNDERSTANDING PROSE***Time : 3 hours**Maximum Marks : 100*

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*Note : Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks. Your answers should be in approx 400 words each unless stated otherwise.*

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1. Write short notes on *any two* of the following :  
(200+200 words ) 2x10=20
- (a) Gothic novel
  - (b) What is an essay ?
  - (c) Forms of biography
  - (d) Expository prose

2. Write a note on the minor characters in *A Tiger for Malgudi*. 20

**OR**

Comment on the spiritual development of *Raja the Tiger*.

3. Comment on *The Mayor of Caster bridge* as a regional novel. 20

**OR**

Discuss the character of Henchard in the novel,  
*The Mayor of Casterbridge*.

4. Do you think that "The Lost Child" is a simple story of a child's experience, or does it also have a symbolic meaning? Give a reasoned answer. 20

OR

Discuss the method in which O'Henry builds up suspense in the short story "After Twenty Years".

5. Discuss the fears about death in Stevenson's essay "Aes Triplex". 20

OR

Discuss the theme of "On Running After One's Hat" by G.K. Chesterton.

6. Comment upon the portraits of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert in Strachey's biography of Queen Victoria. 20

OR

Define biography and autobiography as prose forms.

7. Write an essay on the different types of novels. 20
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