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## ENGLISH LITERATURE SSC-I

### SECTION – A (Marks 15)

**Time allowed: 20 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 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) Who is the greatest English dramatist and poet?  
A. John Masefield B. William Shakespeare  
C. William Wordsworth D. William Cowper
- (ii) Whom did Pip blame for his rough hands and thick boots?  
A. Miss Havisham B. Pip's sister C. Estella D. Joe Gargery
- (iii) Which of the following plays was **NOT** written by Marlowe?  
A. Dr. Faustus B. Tamburlane  
C. The Jew of Malta D. Macbeth
- (iv) Elia is the pen name of:  
A. Charles Lamb B. Christopher Marlowe  
C. John Masefield D. Sir Walter Scott
- (v) According to the poet Cuckoo's voice is a \_\_\_\_\_ voice.  
A. Visible B. Wandering C. Loud D. Rejoicing
- (vi) Why did Albert challenge count of Monte Cristo for a duel?  
A. To get his estate and wealth back B. To win the hand of a girl  
C. To settle an old personal score D. To avenge the family dishonour
- (vii) How many times does the line, "Waken, lords and ladies gay" occur in the poem 'Hunting Song'?  
A. Eight times B. Six times C. Five times D. Seven times
- (viii) Which year was William Shakespeare born?  
A. 1591 AD B. 1564 AD C. 1616 AD D. 1771 AD
- (ix) Joe Gargery was a:  
A. Lawyer B. Guard C. Doctor D. Blacksmith
- (x) "All Paris is ringing with it" means:  
A. Everyone in Paris is singing and dancing  
B. Traffic noise has gripped the entire city  
C. Loud sound produced by church bells in Paris  
D. Everyone in Paris is talking about the disgrace of the house of Morcerf
- (xi) What was mixed in the bottle of brandy?  
A. Medicine B. Soap C. Water D. Juice
- (xii) Whom did Pip first meet at Miss Havisham's house?  
A. Orlick B. Estella C. Biddy D. Clare
- (xiii) Orlick wanted to kill Pip because he considered him:  
A. Dishonest B. Robber C. Enemy D. Cheater
- (xiv) Scene II of the one act play, "The Count's Revenge" takes place in an apartment in the house of:  
A. Beauchamp B. Bertuccio  
C. The Count of Monte Cristo D. The Count of Morcerf
- (xv) Herbert went to \_\_\_\_\_ for a few days.  
A. Spain B. Scotland C. England D. France

**For Examiner's use only:**

**Total Marks:**

**15**

**Marks Obtained:**



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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) Why did earth seem a desert to Lamb when he revisited the haunts of his childhood?
- (ii) Describe the scene in which the first meeting between Pip and the prisoner took place.
- (iii) Give the reasons for Pip's unhappiness.
- (iv) Biddy did not think Pip should become a gentleman. What reasons did she give?
- (v) What were Pip's feelings towards his sister when she died?
- (vi) What message does the writer want to convey through the play 'The Count's Revenge'?
- (vii) Explain briefly the line, "An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth" with reference to the count's Revenge.
- (viii) How is Count of Monte Cristo finally avenged? Write briefly.
- (ix) Attempt briefly to explain why men were attracted to sea-faring in the days of sail, in spite of the hardships and dangers of life with reference to the poem, "Sea-Fever".
- (x) What period of his life is meant by "The Golden Age"? Why does Wordsworth give it this name?
- (xi) With what three short lived things is human life compared? (Refer to the poem 'Daffodils')
- (xii) Why did Orlick want to kill Pip?
- (xiii) Briefly explain the custom of duelling.

## 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. O blessed Bird! the earth we pace  
Again appears to be  
An unsubstantial, fairy place,  
That is fit home for Thee!
- b. We have short time to stay, as you,  
We have as short spring;  
As quick a growth to meet decay,  
As you, or anything.

**Q. 4** Give the character sketch of Pip.

**Q. 5** Why does the Count of Monte Cristo sign his will before the duel?

**Q. 6** Do you imagine Wordsworth's childhood to have been happy or unhappy? Give reasons for your answer.