



**WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY**  
B.A. Honours/Programme 4th Semester Examination, 2021

**ENGHGEC04T/ENGGCOR04T-ENGLISH (GE4/DSC4)**

**ESSAYS, SHORT FICTION, POETRY**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

1. Answer any **two** questions in about 500 words each: 15×2 = 30
- (a) What is the central theme of Robert Frost's 'The Road Not Taken'?
- OR**
- (b) What experiences does the poet describe in 'The Solitary Reaper'? What are his feelings?
- (c) How does Robert Lynd describe the various sights and sounds that he observes at the beach in the essay 'The Seaside'?
- OR**
- (d) Write an account of Sir Roger's relationship with the people around him in 'Sir Roger at Home'.
- (e) Give an account of the fight between Baldeo and the tiger in 'The Tiger in the Tunnel'.
- OR**
- (f) Analyse the symbols and motifs used in 'The Last Leaf'.
2. Answer any **ten** of the following questions: 2×10 = 20
- (a) Why did Sir Roger not want to be insulted by Latin and Greek at his table?
- (b) Why did tears come in the eyes of the servants when Sir Roger came home?
- (c) How is the narrator treated by Sir Roger?
- (d) In 'The Seaside' how does Lynd describe the tents on the beach?
- (e) Who are Mead and Woolley in the essay 'The Seaside'?
- (f) Who are the *sauveteurs* in 'The Seaside'?
- (g) What does Johnsy believe about the ivy vine in 'The Last Leaf'?
- (h) What is Johnsy's illness in 'The Last Leaf'?
- (i) What is Behrman's masterpiece?

- (j) What errand did Tembu's father run every night in 'The Tiger in the Tunnel'?
- (k) Why was the station said to be a station in name only in 'The Tiger in the Tunnel'?
- (l) What does the poet compare the girl's voice with in 'The Solitary Reaper'? Explain.
- (m) What do the "plaintive numbers" refer to in 'The Solitary Reaper'?
- (n) How did the poet make his choice about the roads in 'The Road Not Taken'?
- (o) What does the "yellow wood" stand for in 'The Road Not Taken'?

**N.B. :** *Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.*

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