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**II Semester B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./B.B.A./B.B.A.T.T.M./B.B.M./B.C.A./B.S.W.  
Degree (CCSS-Reg./Supple./Improv.) Examination, May 2013  
COMMON COURSE IN ENGLISH  
2A03 ENG : Readings on Indian Constitution, Secularism and  
Environment**

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Weightage: 30

I. Write an essay of about **200** words on **any one** of the following :

- 1) The trials and tribulations of Uma as delineated by Tagore.
- 2) Communal harmony was a way of life in Kerala as illustrated in the story of the Hindu Princess and Her Islamic Dynasty. **(Weightage : 4)**

II. Write an essay of about **200** words on **any one** of the following :

- 3) The Green School contest is an example fit to be followed by all schools and colleges in the country.
- 4) What are Medha Patkar's views on development ? **(Weightage : 4)**

III. Write on **any one** of the following in about **200** words :

- 5) Prepare a questionnaire to interview a feminist leader on a visit to your college.
- 6) A letter to the Minister for environment to ban by law the use of plastic carry bags. **(Weightage : 4)**

IV. Write a paragraph **each** of about **80** words on **any four** of the following :

- 7) The Champak tree in Ecology.
- 8) Comment on the title of the poem Election.
- 9) The poem Barbie Doll challenges the way girls are brought up in our times.
- 10) The Orange Sellers protest and how it was dealt with ?
- 11) The landlady in 'A Telephone Conversation'. **(Weightage : 4x2=8)**

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V. Answer all the **four** bunches of **four** questions **each** :

- 12) A) The Constituent Assembly adopted the Constitution on  
a) August 15, 1947  
b) November 26, 1949  
c) January 26, 1950  
d) None of these
- B) The word 'brunette' means  
a) brown-haired  
b) golden-haired  
c) dark-haired  
d) fair-skinned
- C) Kamala's classmate Shirley was  
a) American  
b) Anglo-Indian  
c) Scot  
d) Indian
- D) The 'day of reckoning' means  
a) the day of marriage  
b) the day of final judgement  
c) the day of execution  
d) None of these
- 13) A) The poem 'The Rich Will Make Temples for Lord Siva' was written by  
a) Raju Solanki  
b) Kamala Das  
c) Basavanna  
d) R. Viswanathan
- B) The person who would seize and destroy Uma's exercise book is called  
a) a barbarian  
b) benefactor of mankind  
c) a fool  
d) a criminal
- C) The bold step taken by Kumud Pawde was  
a) to write to Nehru  
b) to write to Jagjivan Ram  
c) to write to Chavan  
d) to complain to the VC
- D) Ramu was not willing to reveal his date of birth because  
a) he did not want anyone to know his age  
b) he was shy  
c) he was afraid of horoscope predictions  
d) None of these
- 14) A) The name of Uma's husband was  
a) Gobindlal  
b) Pyarimohan  
c) Jashi  
d) None of these
- B) Baba Amte called Medha Patkar  
a) the mother of the poor  
b) the daughter of India  
c) the soul of India  
d) None of these





- C) In the first Green School Contest, at the final stage, the records of \_\_\_\_\_ schools were presented.  
a) 100                      b) 20                      c) 50                      d) 300
- D) Ramu's father had been an associate of  
a) Nehru                      b) Mira                      c) Gandhi                      d) None of these
- 15) A) The constitution of India, at its inception, contained  
a) 400 articles                      b) 395 articles  
c) 390 articles                      d) none of these
- B) The cook in Kamala's house considered her and her brother 'savages' because  
a) they always ill-treated the servants  
b) of their table manners  
c) of the way they dressed  
d) none of these
- C) Dark longings are  
a) secret desires                      b) dark spaces  
c) darkness of mind                      d) secret places
- D) Kumud Pawde had heard many things about \_\_\_\_\_ college.  
a) Morris                      b) St. Stephen's  
c) Nehru                      d) None of these      **(Weightage : 4×1=4)**

VI. Answer **any six** of the following questions, **each** in a sentence or **two** :

- 16) Why did the girl cut off her nose and legs ?
- 17) What was Nehru's comment on the dams ?
- 18) How does the textbooks affect the natural resources ?
- 19) What gives the poet's mother the blinding migraine ?
- 20) Which is the movement Medha Patkar is associated with ?
- 21) Who are the 'great persuaders' mentioned in 'The Election' ?
- 22) What was Uma's obsession ? **(Weightage : 6×1=6)**