Mahatma Gandhi University Model Question Paper

First Semester B.A./ B.Sc. Common Course: English EN1CC02 - Pearls from the Deep

Time: 3 hrs Maximum Marks: 80

Section A

Answer any ten of the following questions, each in two or three sentences:

- 1. According to Santiago, who are his friends?
- 2. According to Rumi, what do most minds do?
- 3. What does the knight see in his dreams at the Elfin Grot?
- 4. What is special about the pier-glass?
- 5. Sketch the loneliness felt by Mrs. Wright.
- 6. What is the fiction the old man and the boy go through every day?
- 7. Why does Morrisot tremble with desire?
- 8. How does Ashok justify his decision to join the 'Mukti Fouj'?
- 9. How does Ellen run away with Lochinvar?
- 10. What does Rahim Khan find when he is tidying his hut?
- 11. What are the things Philip plans never to do in life?
- 12. What was the saddest thing the old man ever saw?

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

Section B

Answer any **six** of the following questions, each in about 100 words:

- 13. What ideas of life, death and after-life are conveyed through the poem 'After Apple Picking'?
- 14. How does the old man kill the marlin?
- 15. What is the significance of the bird in the play 'Trifles'?
- 16. Describe the appearance of the children of the refugee camp in Achebe's poem?
- 17. How does the old man see the sea unlike other rich fishermen?
- 18. How does the Franco-Prussian war affect Paris?
- 19. What happened at Comilla University?
- 20. Narrate Santiago's 'hand game' with the Negro from Cienfuegos.
- 21. How does Vicky stamp a victory over the savage tiger?

 $(6 \times 5 = 30)$

Section C

Answer any **two** of the following questions, each in about 300 words:

- 22. The jaguar is more than a visionary, violent and not lazy. Discuss.
- 23. Discuss the strange transformations in the life of Rahim Khan.
- 24. To what extent does Yassin become a representative of all refugees?
- 25. The conflict between victory and defeat in The Old Man and the Sea.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$