



## St. Mary's Convent Inter College, Prayagraj

### Second Unit Assessment –2024-25

Time : 1hr.

Class- 9

M.M. : 30

English -II

Name : .....

Roll No. ....

Date : .....

#### Section-A

*(Attempt all questions from this Section)*

- I. Read the following questions and choose the most appropriate response from the choices given below. (Please do not copy the question—simply write out in correct serial order the appropriate word or phrase) (4)
- The gardener says the tree is lucky because.....
    - It has a pot to grow in
    - It is pretty and domestic.
    - It has special qualities
    - It does not require water to grow.
  - The Gardener represents the ..... of the society.
    - Patriarchs
    - Matriarchs
    - All workers
    - Children
  - Choose the option that lists the sequence of events from Rabindranath Tagore's short story 'The Homecoming' in the correct order.
    - At the end of the day a police van stopped at the door before the house.
    - One day he summoned up all his courage, and asked his uncle: "Uncle, when can I go home?"
    - The next morning Phatik was nowhere to be seen.
    - His one great fear was that he would be a nuisance to his aunt.
      - 4,1,3,2
      - 3,1,2,4
      - 2,4.3,1
      - 2,3.4,1
  - Select the option that shows the correct relationship between statements (1) and (2) from Rabindranath Tagore's short story, 'The Homecoming'.
    - Phatik's emotional state improves as soon as he reaches Kolkata.
    - Phatik feels alienated and neglected by his aunt in Kolkata.
      - (1) is true and (2) ~~False~~
      - (1) is false and (2) is true
      - (1) is the cause for (2).
      - (1) and (2) are independent of each other.

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## Section-B

- II. 1. One day he summed up all his courage and asked his uncle, “ Uncle, when can I go home?His uncle answered, “ Wait till the holidays.” (3)
- a) Who summed up all the courage ? Why did he want to go home ?
- (b) Where was 'he 'and who brought him there ? (3)
- (c) What was the reaction of ' his' aunt on his arrival and why ? (3)
- (d) How was 'he' different in his behaviour from his brother ? (4)

## Section-C

### (Poetry)

III. With living creatures

One must begin very early  
to dwarf their growth;  
The bound feet,  
the crippled brain  
the hair in curlers

1. What do you understand by 'dwarf' and crippled ?  
Who/What is the poet talking about ? (3)
2. Even though the tree had the potential to grow taller, it didn't. Why (3)
3. According to the gardener, what is the nature of the tree ? (3)
4. If the tree was nurtured, it would've grown taller and reached its potential.  
Comment. (4)

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