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# BCS Preliminary English Course



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## Literature

**Modern Period (1901-39)**

- Divided into two reign – Edwardian (1901-1910) and Georgian (1910-1939)
- Starts from the death of Q Victoria to till 2<sup>nd</sup> World War
- Novel dominated this period also.
- Stream of Consciousness and the Use of the Interior Monologue were the weapons of the writers.
- Psychological Complexities and Crisis is observed in this Period
- Characteristics of the Period – Individualism, Symbolism, Experimentation/ Break of Tradition, Absurdity.

**Joseph Conrad (1857-1924)**

- Full Name – Joseph Teoder Konrad
- A famous Novelist

**Works:**

1. The Heart of Darkness
  - Characters- Marlow , Kurtz, The Manager, The Account
  - ‘The Horror! The Horror!’
  - ‘It echoed loudly within him because he was hollow at the core.’
  - ‘It was written I should be loyal to the nightmare of my choice.’
  - ‘Your strength is just an accident arising from the weakness of others.’
2. Lord Jim
3. Nostromo
4. The Secret Agent
5. The Tale of Two Parts
6. The Lagoon (Short Story)

T2R:: Jim এর Nosto ও Secret Lagoon এর Two Parts Darkness-এ ভরা !

## Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. Who is the author of the novel 'Heart of Darkness'? [ সম্মিলিত ০২ ব্যাংক (অফিসার আইটি): ২০]

Or, 'Heart of Darkness' is a novel written by- [ পিএসসির ১০ টি পদে নিয়োগ : ১৫]

- a. Ralph Ellison
- b. Ernest Hemingway
- c. Joseph Conrad
- d. Peter Craey

ans-c

2. 'The Secret Agent' was written by- [ পরিবার পরিকল্পনা অধিদপ্তরের সহকারী পরিকল্পনা কর্মকর্তা : ১২]

- a. Swift
- b. GB Shaw
- c. Mark Twain
- d. Joseph Conrad

ans-d

3. Who wrote the book 'Lord Jim: A Tale'? [ মাধ্যমিক বিদ্যালয় সহকারী শিক্ষক : ০৬]

- a. Joseph Conrad
- b. Oscar Wilde
- c. Thomas Hardy
- d. Virginia Woolf

ans-a

## **Rudyard Kipling (1865-1936)**

- Born in Bombe, India
- British Novelist, Journalist
- Bard of Imperialism

### **Works::**

- 1. The Jungle Book (Got Nobel in 1907)
  - 'For the strength of the pack is the Wolf, and the strength of the Wolf is the Pack.'
- 2. Kim
  - 'There is no sin so great as ignorance.'
- 3. Captain Courageous
- 4. The Light That Failed
- 5. White Man's Burden (Poem)
- 6.

Quotes: 'God could not be everywhere, and therefore He made mothers.' – Puck of Pook's Hill

## Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. Kipling was born in- [প্রাথমিক বিদ্যালয় সহকারী শিক্ষক (সিলেট ও খুলনা বিভাগ) : ০৭ ]

- a. 1865
- b. 1924
- c. 1800
- d. 1918

ans-a

2. Kim was written by- [আইন, বিচার ও সংসদ বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ের সাব-রেজিস্টার : ১৬ ]

- a. Kipling
- b. Forster
- c. Conrad
- d. Hardy

ans-a

3. Who is the author of 'The Jungle Book'? [শ্রম অধিদপ্তরে শ্রম কর্মকর্তা এবং জনসংখ্যা ও পরিবার কল্যাণ কর্মকর্তা : ০৩]

- a. Hans Christian Andersen
- b. Enid Blyton
- c. Rudyard Kipling
- d. H. G. Wells

ans-c

## H G Wells (1866-1946)

- Herbert George Wells is his full name
- Famous Science Fiction Writer

### Works:

- 1. Time Machine
  - Nature never appeals to intelligence until habit and instinct are useless. There is no intelligence where there is no need of change.'
- 2. The Invisible Man
  - All men, however highly educated, retain some superstitious inklings.'
- 3. The War of the Worlds.

## Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. Who is the author of the first scientific romance 'The Time Machine'? [৪১তম বিসিএস]

- a. H.G. Wells
- b. Samuel Butler
- c. Henry James
- d. George Moore

Ans - a

2. The author of the book 'The Time Machine' is- [ পূর্বালী ব্যাংক লিমিটেড (জুনিয়র অফিসার): ১২ ]

অথবা, 'টাইম মেশিন' গ্রন্থটির লেখক কে? [ থানা ও জেলা সমাজসেবা অফিসারঃ ৯৯ ]

- a. Lewis Carroll
- b. Robert Louis Stevenson
- c. Charles Lamb
- d. H.G. Wells

Ans - d

3. Write the type of work 'Time machine' by H. G. Wells- [ রাজশাহী বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (ই-ইউনিট): ১৫-১৬ ]

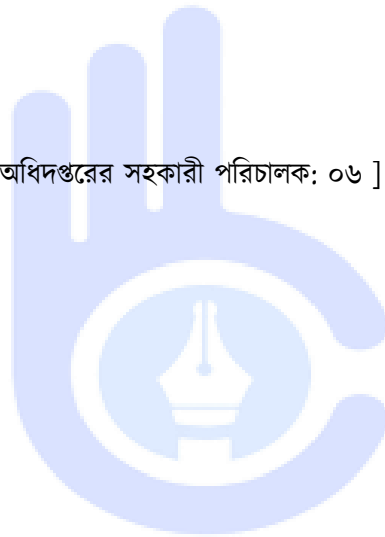
- a. essay
- b. verse
- c. comedy
- d. science fiction

Ans - d

4. 'The Dream' is a – [ বহিরাগমন পাসপোর্ট অধিদপ্তরের সহকারী পরিচালক: ০৬ ]

- a. play
- b. epic
- c. story
- d. novel

Ans - d



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## E. M. Foster (1879-1970)

- Full Name – Edward Morgan Foster
- An ethical Novelist

### Works:

1. A Passage to India [36<sup>th</sup> BCS]
  - Characters- Mrs. Moore, Adela, Dr. Aziz, Cyril Fielding
  - 'God has put us on earth to love our neighbors and to show it.'
2. A Room with a View
3. The Longest Journey
4. My Wood (Essay)

T2R:: Foster Passage to India দিয়ে Longest Journey করে Wood এর ভেতরের Room এলো Where Angels Fear To Tread.

### Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. "A Passage to India" is written by- (৩৬তম বিসিএস/SIBL (Probationary Officer) : 11/জাতীয় কবি কাজী নজরুল ইসলাম বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (ডি-ইউনিট) : ১৭-১৮]

- a. E. M. Forster
- b. Rudyard Kipling
- c. Galls Worthy
- d. A. H. Auden

Ans - a

2. Forster was born in [শ্রম ও কর্মসংস্থান মন্ত্রণালয়ে সহকারী প্রধান পরিদর্শক : ০৩]

- a. 1879
- b. 1924
- c. 1800
- d. 1918

Ans - a

## William Somerset Maugham (1874-1965)

- A Novelist and Short Story writer
- He was the Greatest short story writer of 1930's

Works: Novel

1. Of Human Bondage
  - 'People ask you for criticism, but they only want praise.'
  - 'It's no use crying over spilt milk, because all of the forces of the universe were bent on spilling it.'
2. Liza of Lambeth (1<sup>st</sup> Novel)
3. Christmas Holiday  
Drama
4. The Letter
5. The Constant Wife
6. The Bread Winner
7. The Sacred Flame  
Short Story
8. The Luncheon
  - 'I was too young to say no to a woman.'
9. The Ant and the Grasshopper

T2R::

### Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. Somerset Maugham is a famous English- [ বেগম রোকেয়া বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (এ-ইউনিট): ১০-১১ ]

- a. Short story writer
- b. Dramatist
- c. Novelist
- d. all are correct

Ans - a

2. Who is the author of the book 'Of human Bondage'?

[ আবহাওয়াবিদ : ০০ ]

- a. Charles Dickens
- b. Somerset Maugham
- c. Jane Austen
- d. D. H. Lawrence

Ans - b

3. W. Somerset Maugham রচিত পুস্তক কোনটি? [ সরকারি মাধ্যমিক বিদ্যালয়ের প্রধান শিক্ষক : ০০ ]

- a. Of human Bondage
- b. Roads of Destiny
- c. Merchant of Venice
- d. Paradise Lost

Ans - a

4. 'The Sacred Flame' is written by-

- a. William Somerset Maugham
- b. G.B Shaw
- c. Ernest Hemingway
- d. Oscar Wilde

Ans - a

## James Joyce (1882-1941)

- Irish Writer
- Full Name- James Augustus Aloysius Joyce
- Famous for the Stream of Consciousness

### Works:

- 1. Ulysses (Most Famous Novel)
- 2. The Portrait of the Artist as Young Man (1<sup>st</sup> Novel )
- 3. Dubliners
- 4. Exiles

T2R: Ulysses এর Double Portrait ঐকে Exile এ দেয়া হবে!

### Remember:

Ulysses – Novel- James Joyce

Ulysses- Poem – Alfred Tennyson

## Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. 'Ulysses' is a novel written by- [৪০তম বিসিএস]

- a. Joseph Conrad
- b. Thomas Hardy
- c. Charles Dickens
- d. James Joyce

Ans – d

2. 'Mistakes are the portals of discovery' উক্তিটি কার? [জেলা দুর্নীতি দমন অফিসার পদে নির্বাচনী পরীক্ষা: ০১]

- a. W. H. Auden
- b. James Joyce
- c. Somerset Maugham
- d. D. H. Lawrence

Ans - b

3. One of the four mentioned below is not a novelist of Victorian age?

[ বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে সহকারী কমান্ডেট: ০০, সরকারি মাধ্যমিক বিদ্যালয় শিক্ষক: ০৯ ]

- a. Charles Dickens



- b. George Eliot
- c. James Joyce
- d. Thomas Hardy

Ans - c

4. Joyce was born in - [ পাবলিক সার্ভিস কমিশনের সহকারী পরিচালক: ০৭ ]

- a. 1882
- b. 1924
- c. 1800
- d. 1918

Ans - a

5. Of the following writer who wrote 'Ulysses'? [ পাসপোর্ট অধিদপ্তরের সহকারী পরিচালক :০০ ]

- a. Thomas Hardy
- b. D. H. Lawrence
- c. James Joyce
- d. Sidney Porter

Ans - c

## Virginia Woolf (1882-1941)

- Famous Woman Novelist of Modern Period
- She was famous for the 'Presentation of Inner Realities' and Stream of Consciousness Theory
- She committed Suicide.

### Works:

1. Mrs. Dalloway
  - Characters- Clarissa, Dalloway, Peter, Walsh, Richard
2. To The Light House
3. Orlando
4. A Room of One's Own (Essay- Part of His Speech)
5. The Voyage Out

T2R:: Dalloway Voyage-এ বের হবার আগে Orlando'র কাছে Light House এর একটা Own Room চাইলো !

## Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. What was the first novel of Virginia Woolf? [সোনালী ব্যাংক (অফিসার): ০৯]

- a. The Waves
- b. To the Lighthouse
- c. The Voyage Out
- d. Jacob's Room

Ans - c

2. To the lighthouse' বইটির রচয়িতা কে? [সরকারী মাধ্যমিক বিদ্যালয় শিক্ষক ০৫]

- a. Jane Austen
- b. Shakespeare
- c. S. T. Coleridge
- d. Virginia Woolf

Ans - d

3. The Voyage out' was written by- [ সরকারী মাধ্যমিক বিদ্যালয় শিক্ষক: ০২ ]

- a. Virginia Woolf
- b. G. B. Shaw
- c. Ezra Pound
- d. T. S. Eliot

Ans - a

4. 'Virginia Woolf' is a [ রাজশাহী বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় ভর্তি পরীক্ষা: ০৭-০৮ ]

- a. Novelist
- b. Physiological novelist
- c. Short story writer
- d. Dramatist

Ans - a

5. Virginia Woolf was a contemporary of [ কুমিল্লা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (মানবিক স্কুল): ০৪-০৫ ]

- a. Jane Austen
- b. Arnold
- c. Browning
- d. Joyce

Ans - d

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## D.H. Lawrence (1885-1930)

- Full name - David Herbert Lawrence
- Poet, Painter, Essayist, Critic and Novelist
- Novelist of Physical Passion

### Works:

1. The White Peacock (1<sup>st</sup> Novel)
2. Lady Chatterley's Lover ( It was banned from USA)
3. Sons and Lovers (Autobiographical Novel)
  - Paul Morel, Walter Morel, Gertrude Morel, William Morel, Annei Morel, Arthur Morel
  - '...you love me so much that you want to put me in your pocket. And there I will die smothered.'
  - 'I don't want the corpses of flowers about me.'
  - 'Recklessness is almost a man's revenge on his woman.'
4. The Rainbow [13<sup>th</sup> BCS]
5. Women in Love
6. A Modern Lover

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### Remember:

The Rainbow – Novel – D.H. Lawrence

The Rainbow- Poem- W. Wordsworth

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## George Orwell (1903-50)

- Full name – Eric Arthur Blair
- He was Novelist, Journalist
- Worked in British India as a Police Officer in the Lower Burma Region

### Works::

1. Animal Farm [10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> BCS]
  - Published in 1945
  - Allegorical Novel on Anti-Soviet impression
  - Characters- Napoleon, Snowball, Boxer, Squealer, Benjamin, Old Major

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- 'All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others.'
  - 'Man serves the interests of no creature except himself.'
  - Weak or strong, clever or simple, we are all brothers.'
  - 'Four legs good, two legs bad.'
  - 'All men are enemies. All animals are comrades.'
2. Nineteen Eighty Four (Dystopian Novel / Published in 1949)
  3. Burmese Days
  4. Shooting an Elephant (Essay)

T2R:: 1984 -এ Burmese Animal Farm এ Shooting হল !

## Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. Who is the author of 'Animal Farm'? [১০ তম বিসিএস/মহিলা ও শিশু বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ের অধিনে উপজেলা মহিলা বিষয়ক কর্মকর্তা : ০৪/ সহকারী থানা পরিবার পরিকল্পনা অফিসার : ০৯]

- a. Thomas more
- b. George Orwell
- c. Boris Pasternak
- d. Charles Dickens

Ans - b

2. Orwell lived during the reign of [খাদ্য অধিদপ্তরের সহকারী উপ খাদ্য পরিদর্শক : ০১]

- a. Elizabeth
- b. Victoria
- c. Modern Age
- d. James II

Ans - c

3. 'Animal Farm' is written by- [বেগম রোকেয়া বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (এ-ইউনিট) : ১৭-১৮

Or, Animal Farm' was written by- [কুমিল্লা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (বি-ইউনিট) : ১২-১৩/ইসলামী বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (বি-ইউনিট): ১১-১২]

- a. Daniel Defoe
- b. George Orwell
- c. Hemingway
- d. Jonathan Swift

Ans - b

4. Who is the author of 'Nineteen Eighty Four'? [ Standard Bank Ltd. (Assistant Officer) Cash:09 ]

- a. J. M Barrie
- b. Walter Scott
- c. Thomas Hardy
- d. George Orwell

Ans - d

## J. M. Synge (1871-1909)

- Full name – John Millington Synge
- Irish Playwright

### Works:

1. Riders to the Sea [35<sup>th</sup> BCS]
  - One Act Play – Tragedy
2. The Playboy of the Western World
3. The Shadow of the Glen
4. The Well of the Saints

T2R: Synge er Shadow r Well er Western Sea!

### Solution to Previous Years' Questions:

1. 'Riders to the Sea' is- [৩৫তম বিসিএস]
  - a. an epic poem
  - b. a novella
  - c. a one-act play
  - d. a theatrical adaption of a poem

Ans-c

## George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950)

- Irish Dramatist
- Farther of Modern English Drama and Literature [12<sup>th</sup> BCS]
- After Shakespeare, he is the greatest dramatist of English Literature.
- His Nick/Pen Name – Lee
- He was the Leading member of Fabian Society
- Got Nobel in 1925

### Works :: Drama

1. Man and Superman [38<sup>th</sup> BCS]
  - 'There are two tragedies in life. One is to lose your heart's desire. The other is to gain it.
  - 'The Reasonable man adapts himself to the world; the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself.'

2. Arms and the Man [12<sup>th</sup> / 35<sup>th</sup> BCS]
  - Captain Bluntshli, Raina Petkoff, Catherine Petkoff, Louka, Nicola.
  - Theme – The false concept of Heroism in the war and False concept of Love
  - ‘Nine soldiers out of ten are born fools.’
  - ‘It’s our duty to live as long as we can.’
3. Caesar and Cleopatra [12<sup>th</sup> BCS]
4. The Doctor’s Dilemma
5. Pygmalion
  - ‘Happy is the man who can make a living by his hobby.’
6. Candida [36<sup>th</sup> BCS]
7. The Apple Cart
8. The Devil’s Disciple
9. The Philanderer
10. Saint Joan ( or Joan of Arc)
11. Major Barbara
12. You Never Can Tell
13. Heartbreak House

#### Novel:

1. Immaturity
2. An Unsocial Socialist
  - ‘Life isn’t about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself.’
3. The Irrational Knot
4. Love Among The Artist

T2R: Artist ra Irrational Unsocial o Immature i hoy!

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1. Who is the author of 'Man and Superman'?

[৩৮তম বিসিএস /খুলনা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (সামাজিক বিজ্ঞান স্কুল)।১০-১১/ইসলামী বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (সি-ইউনিট) :১১-১২]

- a. G. B. Shaw
- b. Thomas Hardy
- c. Ernest Hemingway
- d. Charles Dickens

Ans - a

2. The play 'Candida' is by- [ ৩৬তম বিসিএস ]

- a. James Joyce
- b. Shakespeare
- c. G. B. Shaw
- d. Arhtur Miller

Ans - c

3. The play 'Arms and the Man' is written by-[৩৫তম বিসিএস/কাজী নজরুল ইসলাম বিশ্ব.(ডি-ইউনিট):১৬-১৭]

- a. James Joyce
- b. Arther Miller
- c. Samuel Beckett
- d. George Bernard Shaw

Ans -d

4. 'Caesar and Cleopatra' is- [১২তম বিসিএস (পুলিশ)/দুর্নীতি দমন ব্যুরোর পরিদর্শক : ৯২]

- a. a tragedy by Shakespeare
- b. a play by G B Shaw
- c. a poem by Lord Byron
- d. a novel by S. T. Coleridge

Ans -b

5. Who is the greatest modern English dramatist? (১২তম বিসিএস (পুলিশ))

- a. Virginia Woolf
- b. George Bernard Shaw
- c. P. B. Shelley
- d. S. T Coleridge

Ans -b

6. Who of the following is a novelist? [কারিগরি ও মাদ্রাসা শিক্ষা মন্ত্রণালয়: ২১]

- a. Henry Fielding
- b. H. G. Wells
- c. Walter Scott
- d. G. B. Shaw

Ans -d

7. Who wrote 'Saint Joan'?

[বজ্র ও পাট মন্ত্রণালয়ের টেক্সটাইল ইনস্টিটিউট ও টেক্সটাইল ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং কলেজের ইনস্ট্রাকটর (ডিটিআই): ১৮]

- a. Shakespeare
- b. Wordsworth
- c. G.B Shaw
- d. Rudyard Kipling

Ans -c

8. Who is the writer of 'Arms and the Man'- [সহকারী থানা /উপজেলা শিক্ষা অফিসার : ১৬]

- a. William Shakespeare
- b. G. B. Shaw
- c. Somerset Maugham
- d. Ben Jonson

Ans -b

9. Who was an Irish dramatist? [পাসপোর্ট অ্যান্ড ইমিগ্রেশন অধিদপ্তরের সহকারী পরিচালক : ১৪]

Or, Who among the following is a dramatist? [আইন, বিচার ও সংসদ বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ের সাব-রেজিস্টার : ১২]

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- a. George Bernard Shaw
- b. E. M. Forster
- c. T. S. Eliot
- d. Stephan Spender

Ans - a

10. Who is the author of the drama, 'You Never Can Tell'? [Shahjalal Islami Bank Ltd (MTO):11/ জাতীয় সংসদ সচিবালয়ের সহকারী গবেষণা অফিসার : ০৬]

- a. William Shakespeare
- b. George Bernard Shaw
- c. Ben Jonson
- d. Christopher Marlowe

Ans - b

11. Bernard Shaw wrote- [জাহাঙ্গীরনগর বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (সি-ইউনিট) : ১৬-১৭]

- a. Macbeth
- b. Pygmalion
- c. The Iliad
- d. A Passage to India

Ans -b

12. Shaw is a/an- [বানিজ্য মন্ত্রণালয়ের আমদানি-রপ্তানি অধিদপ্তরের নির্বাহী অফিসার : ০৭]

- a. essayist
- b. dramatist
- c. poet
- d. novelist

Ans -b

13. 'Man and Superman' বইটি কার লেখা? [ শ্রম ও কর্মসংস্থান মন্ত্রণালয়ের মেডিকেল অফিসার : ০৩]

- a. উইলিয়াম শেকসপিয়ার
- b. জর্জ বার্নার্ড শ
- c. লিও টলস্টয়
- d. চার্লস ডিকেন্স

Ans -b

14. George Bernard Shaw is\_\_

[পররাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়ের অধীন প্রশাসনিক কর্মকর্তা : ০১]

- a. a playwright
- b. a film-maker
- c. a historian
- d. a modern painter

Ans -a

15. The drama 'Man and Superman' written by- [সরকারি মাধ্যমিক বিদ্যালয়ের সহকারি শিক্ষক : ০৯/বেগম রোকেয়া বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (বি-ইউনিট) সামাজিক বিজ্ঞান অনুষদ : ১৭-১৮]



- a. Jane Austen
- b. Robert Browning
- c. John Milton
- d. G. B. Shaw

Ans -d

16. Which is the author of the drama Joan of Arc? [ রাজশাহী বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (ভাষা বিভাগ) : ১১-১২ ]

- a. G. B. Shaw
- b. Lord Byron
- c. Charles Dickens
- d. P. B. Shelley

Ans -a

## W. B. Yeats (1865-1939) [40th BCS]

- Full name – William Butler Yeats
- He is the National Poet of Ireland. [36<sup>th</sup> BCS]
- Wrote the Introduction of Tagor's 'Song Offerings' [36<sup>th</sup> BCS]
- He was famous for using the Symbol and Mysticism
- Got Nobel Prize in English Literature in 1923 as the first Irish Writer

### Works:

1. The Lake Isle of Innisfree [35<sup>th</sup> BCS]
2. The Tower
3. The Wild Swans at Coole
4. Leda and the Sawn
5. Easter 1916
  - 'All changed, changed utterly/ A terrible beauty is born.'
6. The Second Coming
7. No Second Troy
8. The Resurrection
9. Sailing to Byzantium

### Quotes:

- 'Education is not the filling of a pail, but lighting of a fire.'
- 'Life is a long preparation for something that never happens.'
- 'What can be explained is not poetry.'
- 'Think like a wise man but communicate in the language of the people.'

T2R:: 1916 shale Lake er pashe Seconds Tower e boshe Byzantium Swan er Resurrection dekhchilen Yeats!

## Solution to Previous Years' Questions:

1. 'No Second Troy' is a - [৪৩ তম বিসিএস]

- a. short story
- b. novel
- c. poem
- d. drama

Ans -c

2. Who of the following writers was not a novelist? [৩৬তম বিসিএস]

- a. Charles Dickens
- b. W. B. Yeats
- c. James Joyce
- d. Jane Austen

Ans - b

3. 'Gitanjali' of Rabindranath Tagore was translated by- [৩৬তম বিসিএস /জীবন বীমা কর্পোরেশন: ২১]

- a. W. B. Yeats
- b. Robert Frost
- c. John Keats
- d. Rudyard Kipling

Ans-a

4. The poem "Isle of Innisfree" is written by- [৩৫তম বিসিএস]

- a. Dylan Thomas
- c. W. H. Auden
- b. Ezra Pound
- d. W. B. Yeats

Ans -a

5. W. B. Yeats was a/an . poet. (ইসলামী বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (জি-ইউনিট) : ০৪-০৫]

- a. American
- b. Irish
- c. English
- d. Scottish

Ans -b

6. Famous Irish poet and dramatist is - [আবাসন অধিদপ্তরের সহকারী পরিচালক : ০৬]

- a. W. B Yeats
- b. L. Tolstoy
- c. A. Pope
- d. H. G. Wells

Ans -a

7. A Senator and a poet who won the Nobel prize for literature was\_হিসলামী বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (বি-ইউনিট) : ১০-১১]

- a. Winston Churchill
- b. Mathew Arnold
- c. J. M. Synge
- d. W. B. Yeats

Ans -d

8. Which of the following statements is true ? [ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (খ ইউনিট) : ০৫-০৬]

- a. Roman culture continued to flourish during the Dark Ages
- b. Byzantium fell to the invading barbarians
- c. Byzantium culture continued to flourish during the Dark Ages
- d. Byzantium was destroyed during the Dark Ages

Ans-c

9. Who wrote the introduction of Rabindranath Tagore's 'Songs Offerings'? [Sonali BankLtd. (Senior Officer): 14]

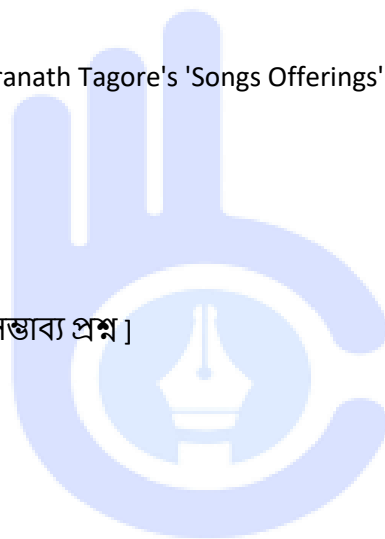
- a. T.S. Eliot
- b. W. H Auden
- c. Ezra pound
- d. W.B.Yeats

Ans -d

10. 'Sailing to Byzantium' is written by- . [সম্ভাব্য প্রশ্ন]

- a. W. B. Yeats
- b. P.B.Shelley
- c. John Keats
- d. Jane Austen

Ans-a



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## T. S. Eliot (1888-1965)

- Full name- Thomas Sterns Eliot
- Poet, Dramatist and Critic
- Was famous for Theory of Objective Correlative and sensuousness.
- Ezra Pound was his Literary Collaborator.
- Rabindranath Tagore translated his poem (The Journey of the Magi- Thirtha Jatra) first in Bangla.
- Got both Nobel Prize in Literature and the Order of Merit Prize in 1948.

### Works::

#### Poetry

1. The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock (1<sup>st</sup> Publication and an example of Dramatic Monologue)
2. The Waste Land (got Nobel in 1948)
3. Journey of the Magi (Tagore translated it as Thirtha Jatra)
4. Four Quartets
5. The Hollow Man
6. Gerontion
7. The Family Reunion
8. The Cocktail Party
9. Murder in the Cathedral (Best Play)
10. Traditional and Individual Talent (Criticism)

T2R::

### Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. "Gerontion" is a poem by- [৩৭ তম বিসিএস]

- a. T. S. Eliot
- b. W. B. Keats
- c. Mathew Arnold
- d. Robert Browning

ans-a

2. T. S. Eliot was born in\_\_ - (১৩তম বিসিএস)

- a. Ireland
- b. England
- c. Wales
- d. USA

ans-d

3. Who wrote the book 'The Waste Land'? [বাংলাদেশ বেসামরিক বিমান চলাচল কর্তৃপক্ষ (এরোড্রেন কর্মকর্তা/ইন্সপেক্টর/সহকারী ভান্ডার কর্মকর্তা): ২১]

- a. T. S. Eliot
- b. G. B. Shaw
- c. George Eliot
- d. George Orwell

ans-a

4. 'The Waste Land' is a – (বাংলাদেশ বেসামরিক বিমান চলাচল কর্তৃপক্ষ সহকারী নিরাপত্তা কর্মকর্তাঃ ২১]

- a. novel
- b. poem
- c. drama
- d. movie

ans-b

5. 'April is the cruelist month' is written by - [BEPZA: এর সহকারি ব্যবস্থাপক :২১ ]

- a. W. B. Yeats
- b. T. S. Eliot
- c. Robert Frost
- d. Auden

ans-b

6. T. S. Eliot এর 'The Journey of the Magi' কবিতার রবীন্দ্রনাথের অনূদিত রূপ হলো- [বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক(অফিসার): ১৯]

- a. পুনশ্চ
- b. তীর্থযাত্রী
- c. বাশি
- d. জীবনদেবতা

Ans-b

7. 'Murder in the Cathedral' Who wrote the Play? (বেগম রোকেয়া বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (বি-ইউনিট) : ১৭-১৮]

- a. T. S. Eliot
- b. G. B. Shaw
- c. Wordsworth
- d. Ben Jonson

ans-a

8. Which of the following writers has contributed simultaneously to English and American literature? [খুলনা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (বি-ইউনিট) ১৭-১৮]

- a. Coleridge
- b. Wordsworth
- c. Eliot
- d. Longfellow

ans - c

9. The literary work 'The Waste Land' is a - [খুলনা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (সমাজবিজ্ঞান স্কুল) ১১-১২]

- a. poem by T. S. Eliot
- b. play by P. B. Shelley

- c. historical work by Charles Dickens  
d. None

Ans - a

10. In which poem do you find Hindu allusion of philosophy? - [স্বরাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়ের অধীনে ও বহিরাগমন  
পাসপোর্ট অধিদপ্তরের সহকারী পরিচালক : ১১]

- a. Kubia Khan  
b. The Patriot  
c. The Waste Land  
d. The Cloud

Ans - c

11. According to most of the critics who is not a romantic poet? [জনপ্রশাসন মন্ত্রণালয়ের অধীন পিএসসির সহকারী  
পরিচালক : ১৬/জগন্নাথ বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (এ-ইউনিট) : ১০-১১]

- a. John Keats  
b. T. S. Eliot  
c. Rabindranath Tagore  
d. William Wordsworth

ans-b

12. Who wrote Journey of the Magi? [জনশক্তি, কর্মসংস্থান ও প্রশিক্ষণ ব্যুরোর উপ-পরিচালকঃ ০৯]

- a. Leo Tolstoy  
b. Boris Pasternak  
c. Virginia Woolf  
d. T. S. Eliot

ans-d

13. Murder in the Cathedral is written by- [ত্রান ও পুনর্বাসন অধিদপ্তরের প্রকল্প বাস্তবায়ন কর্মকর্তা : ০৬]

- a. Harold Pinter  
b. T. S. Eliot  
c. G. B. Shaw  
d. Samuel Beckett

Ans-b

14. Who is famous for the theory of 'Objective Corelative'?[সরকারি মাধ্যমিক বিদ্যালয় সহকারী শিক্ষক:০৬]

- a. William Somerset Maugham  
b. T. S. Eliot  
c. Edward Morgan Forster  
d. Virginia Woolf

Ans-b

15. A 20th century poet \_\_[খুলনা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় :০৪-০৫]

- a. John Donne  
b. John Keats  
c. T. S. Eliot  
d. Tennyson

ans-c

16. Who of the following was a poet? (ডাক ও টেলিযোগাযোগ মন্ত্রণালয়ের হিসাবরক্ষক : ০৩]

- a. Charles Dickens
- b. T. S. Eliot
- c. Jane Austen
- d. G. B. Shaw

ans-b

17. T. S Eliot is an English poet who is famous for his sensuousness. What do T. S. stand for? (মাধ্যমিক বিদ্যালয় সহকারী প্রধান শিক্ষক : ০৩]

- a. Thomas Stearns
- b. Thompson Simson
- c. Thomas Stewart
- d. Thomas Stephen

ans-a

18. T.S.Eliot is a \_\_Poet. [সাব-রেজিস্ট্রার : ০১]

- a. Romantic
- b. Victorian
- c. Modern
- d. Post-modern

ans-c

19. The Dry Salvages' is a/an- [পরিবেশ অধিদপ্তরের সহকারী পরিচালক : ০১]

- a. play
- b. epic
- c. poem
- d. essay

Ans-c

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## Sir Winston Churchill (1878-1965)

- Was the Prime Minister of USA
- Got Nobel Prize in 1953
- British Govt. gave only him 'An Honorary Citizen of the USA' in 1953

### Works:

1. History of the Second World War (Got Nobel for it in 1953)
2. The River War

### Quotes:

- 'Success is going from failure to failure with great enthusiasm.'
- 'Never give up on something that you can't go a day without thinking about.'

- 'If you are going through a hell, keep going.'
- 'Never engage in a battle of wits with an unarmed man.'
- 'Solitary tree if they grow at all, grow strong.'

## Solution to Previous Years' Questions

1. একজন রাজনীতিবিদ কিন্তু সাহিত্যে নোবেল পুরস্কার পেয়েছেন? - [১৮তম বিসিএস / চট্টগ্রাম বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় (ডি-ইউনিট): ১৬-১৭]

- a. Gorbachev
- b. Winston Churchill
- c. Bertrand Russel
- d. Khrusher

Ans - b

2. History of the Second world war is written by - [ থানা শিক্ষা অফিসারঃ ০৫]

- a. Keats
- b. Winston Churchill
- c. Clinton
- d. None of them

ans-b

3. What is the work of Winston Churchill? [খুলনা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় ভর্তি পরীক্ষা: ১১-১২]

- a. History of the Second World War
- b. History of the English speaking people
- c. Life in Marlborough
- d. Far from the Madding Crowd

ans-a

4. In which year Winston Churchill got the Nobel prize in literature? [ অফিসার পদে নির্বাচনী পরীক্ষা: ৯৪ ]

- a. 1943
- b. 1945
- c. 1948
- d. 1953

ans-d

5. Who was a statesman but awarded Nobel prize in English Literature? [f

অফিসার ০৬]

- a. Stalin
- b. Nixon
- c. Churchill
- d. Roosevelt

ans-c

6. The political leader who obtained Nobel prize in literature? [প্রধানমন্ত্রী কার্যালয়ের সহকারী পরিচালক, গবেষণা কর্মকর্তা, সহকারী কম্পিউটার প্রোগ্রামারঃ ১৩]

- a. Gorbachev
- b. Winston Churchill



c. Bertrand Russell  
d. Nixon  
ana-b

## Ezra Pound (1885-1972)

- She was American by birth but settled in England
- Poet and Historian

### Works:

1. Cathay
2. The Cantos
3. Usura
4. The Spirit of Romance

T2R: Ajaira Usura Cathay'r Kaan e Romance khoje !!

## Oscar Wilde (1856-1900)

- Full name - Oscar Fingal O' Flahertie Wills Wilde
- Irish Poet, Novelist and Dramatist
- He is famous for the usage of Epigrams in his works

### Works::

1. The Picture of Dorian Gray (Novel)
2. Importance of Being Earnest
3. A Woman of No Importance
4. An Ideal Husband

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