

Bago University
Department of English
First Semester Examination, March 2019

Second Year

Eng- 2101

(English Specialization)

English Literature 5: Prose & Short Stories

Time Allowed: (3) Hours

Section (A): Prose

Answer ANY FOUR questions.

- I. What is "character analysis"? How and why do we analyze a character in prose?
- II. By paying close attention to language and other devices, discuss how the writer conveys the differences between Mr Tan and his students from "The Scholarship" written by Stella Kon.
- III. Examine the thoughts of the main character from "Theater des Marionettes" by Maggie Tan. What can you tell about her state of mind?
- IV. Analyze the personality of Miss Emily by looking at her actions and behavior and her words and thoughts from the extract "A Rose for Emily" by William Faulker.
- V. Read the following sentence from "The English Teacher's Secret" by Catherine Lim. What is ironic about it?

The result was that the very large crop of female graduates produced by the university each year, a crop that was moreover becoming bigger each year with a rise in female ambition, was left largely unsought, and therefore, in the words of a concerned government official, "deprived of the primary function of womanhood".

Section (B): Short Stories

Answer ANY FOUR questions.

- VI. What problems do the characters seem to have in the short story "A Clean, Well-Lighted Place"?
- VII. What are the central themes of the story "The Voyage" written by Katherine Mansfield?
- VIII. Describe the plot summary of the story "The Purloined Letter" by Edgar Allan Poe.
- IX. Answer the following questions from the story "The Jockey" by Carson McCullers.
 1. What happened in Miami six months before the story opened? Describe the incident.

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2. How did the jockey react when he saw the three men sitting at the table diagonally across from him?
3. What kind of attitude did the trainer have to the jockey?
4. Why did the rich man say "Well, those things happen"?
5. What is a libertine? And why did the jockey say " You Libertines" twice?

X. Comment on the style of the author you like best in your prescribed text.
