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Degree (CCSS – Reg./Supple./Improv.) Examination, May 2014  
COMMON COURSE IN ENGLISH  
2 A03 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) Kamala's schooldays under the British rule.
- 2) Kumud Pawde's struggles for a job. **(Weightage 4)**

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

- 3) The Green School contest took the message of eco-friendly life to schools.
- 4) The golden age of secularism was in Kerala in the days of the Hindu Princess and her Islamic Dynasty. **(Weightage 4)**

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

- 5) Write a letter to the Pollution Control Board about the effluents from a factory.
- 6) Write a report about the activities undertaken by your NSS UNIT in the ten-day camp. **(Weightage 4)**

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

- 7) The landlady in 'A Telephone Conversation'.
- 8) Uma and her exercise book.
- 9) The attachment of the poet's mother to the Champak tree.
- 10) Center-state relations as seen by NA Palkhivala.
- 11) Medha Patkar's views on the big dams. **(Weightage 4x2=8)**

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

12) A) The first ever Green School contest was won by

- a) a public school
- b) an English medium school
- c) a government school
- d) none of these

B) NBA stands for

- a) National Business Academy
- b) Narmada Bachao Aandolan
- c) Nava Bharath Aandolan
- d) None of these

C) The ruler rewarded the Muslim youth with

- a) jewels
- b) kingdom
- c) new clothes and a higher rank in the army
- d) none of these

D) Nani Palkhivala speaks about

- a) Environment
- b) Women empowerment
- c) Centre-State relations
- d) None of these

13) A) Jashi was Uma's

- a) sister
- b) servant maid
- c) sister-in-law
- d) none of these

B) Kumud Pawde met

- a) Nehru
- b) Chavan
- c) Jagjivan Ram
- d) Dr. Kolte

C) 'The poem read out by Shirley' was written by

- a) Kamala Das
- b) The principal
- c) Shirley
- d) Mrs. Ross

D) The Constitution of India came into effect on

- a) August 15, 1947
- b) January 26, 1950
- c) November 26, 1949



- 14) A) Wole Soyinka was
- a) an American
  - b) a British
  - c) a Nigerian
  - d) none of these
- B) 'Rule Britannia' was a
- a) novel about Britain
  - b) a poem written by Kamala Das
  - c) an unofficial British Patriotic song
  - d) the ruler of Britain
- C) The poem 'A Monologue' was written by
- a) Ramanujan
  - b) Raju Solanki
  - c) Basavanna
  - d) Sitakant Mhapatra
- D) Dams were called the 'temples of India' by
- a) Medha Patkar
  - b) Sunderlal Bahuguna
  - c) Nehru
  - d) Arundhati Roy
- 15) A) The exercise book of Uma was brought to her husband's house by
- a) Her brother
  - b) Jashi
  - c) Uma herself
  - d) None of these
- B) The man in 'A Telephone Conversation Spoke'
- a) on a land phone
  - b) on a mobile
  - c) from a public telephone booth
  - d) none of these
- C) When visitors came to Kamala's school the brown children were
- a) displayed before them
  - b) discreetly hidden away
  - c) called to read poems
  - d) none of these
- D) About \_\_\_\_\_ schools participated in the first Green School contest.
- a) 1400
  - b) 1200
  - c) 300
  - d) 1000

(Weightage 4x1=4)



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

- 16) What is the theme of "A Telephone Conversation" ?
- 17) Mention any three of the Fundamental Rights.
- 18) Why did the cook consider Kamala and her brother 'savages' ?
- 19) How did Kumud Pawde get a higher caste status ?
- 20) What is the similarity between the human body and the temple ?
- 21) Who was the leader of the Chipco Movement ?
- 22) What was Nehru's description of the dams ?

**(Weightage 6×1=6)**

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