

N.G.M.COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS): POLLACHI

END-OF-SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS: MAY-2025

B.A-ENGLISHLITERATURE(AIDED)

MAXIMUM MARKS: 75

SEMESTER: IV

TIME : 3 HOURS

PART - III

23UEL408 – CHILDREN’S LITERATURE

SECTION - A

(10 X 1 = 10 MARKS)

ANSWER ALL THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

1. According to Grenby, which of the following was a major influence on early children's literature?
a) Oral folk tales and fables B) Science fiction novels C) Political propaganda D) Modern digital media
 2. What problem was Hamelin facing in the poem?
a) A flood b) A plague of rats c) A war d) A famine
 3. What happens when Alice eats from one side of the mushroom?
a) She turns into a cat b) She grows too tall c) She shrinks into a tiny insect d) She becomes invisible
 4. Which company syndicated Dennis the Menace as a newspaper comic strip?
a) Universal Press Syndicate b) King Features Syndicate c) United Feature Syndicate
d) Post-Hall Syndicate
 5. Which bird tried to protect Sita from Ravana's army by sacrificing itself ?
a) Jatayu b) Garuda c) Shabala d) Hamsa

ANSWER ALL THE FOLLOWING IN ONE (OR) TWO SENTENCES.

6. Which genre does Grenby suggest for having laid the foundation for much of modern children's literature?
 7. What instrument did the Pied Piper play to lure the rats?
 8. What question does the Caterpillar repeatedly ask Alice?
 9. What color is Dennis's signature outfit in the comics?
 10. What is the central conflict of the Mahabharata ?

SECTION – B **(5 X 5 = 25 MARKS)**

ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

11. a) Explain briefly the early writings for children.

(OR)

- b) What are the main functions of children's literature?

(CONTD 2)

ANNOTATE THE FOLLOWING:-

12. a) And green and blue his sharp eyes twinkled
Like a candle-flame where salt is sprinkled.

(OR)

- b) And I can listen to thee yet;
Can lie upon the plain
And listen, till I do beget
That golden time again.

13. a) Describe a Panchatantra tale that teaches the moral, “Cleverness and wisdom can help to overcome difficulties.”.

(OR)

- b) Discuss the theme of fate and destiny in Selected Tales from 1001 Arabian Nights.

14. a) What role does Snoopy play in the comic strip, and how does his imagination influence the stories?

(OR)

- b) How does Kalia use intelligence to solve problems in the stories?

15. a) In what way did Gandhari try to make Duryodhana invincible before the war?

(OR)

- b) State briefly on the valuable lesson Charlie gained from the chocolate factory.

SECTION - C**(5 X 8 = 40 MARKS)****ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.**

16. a) Express Grenby's main argument about the origins of children's literature.

(OR)

- b) Discuss John Newbery's contributions to the development of children's literature in detail.

17. a) Evaluate the moral lessons conveyed through the story of the Pied Piper.

(OR)

- b) Identify the main themes presented in 'The Owl and the Pussycat'.

18. a) Examine Alice's personality and role in her journey through Wonderland.

(OR)

- b) Examine the theme of belonging in Mowgli's journey through 'The Jungle Book'.

19. a) Analyze the moral lessons conveyed through the stories of Kalia the Crow.

(OR)

- b) Evaluate the artistic style of Hank Ketcham and its impact on storytelling in 'Dennis the Menace.'

20. a) Analyze the themes of good vs. evil as depicted in The Ramayana.

(OR)

- b) Explain the significance of the Bhagavad Gita within The Mahabharata.
