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FOURTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION

**COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH
WORLD CLASSICS IN TRANSLATION**

FIRST SERIES

Time: 1 ½ hours

Total Weights: 15

I. Choose the right answer from the options given below. (Answer all eight questions) (2 x 1 = 2w)

1. Which among the following is the Kalidasa's epic?
(a) *Raghuvamsam* (c) *Ritusamhara*
(b) *Mrichchhakatika* (d) *Malavikagnimithram*
2. Which is the last season portrayed in *Ritusamhara*?
(a) Monsoon (b) Autumn (c) Winter (d) Spring
3. *Ritusamhara* literally means -
(a) The seasons (c) The Cloud Messenger
(b) The Garland of Seasons (d) None of these
4. In the first canto of *Ritusamhara*, there are ____ stanzas.
(a) 25 (b) 26 (c) 27 (d) 28
5. Who is Ivan's closest friend?
(a) Peter (b) Gerasim (c) Vasya (d) Schatz
6. What is the major theme of *the Death of Ivan Ilyich*?
(a) Corruption (b) meaning of life and death (c) class struggle (d) violence
7. Which event precipitates Ivan's illness?
(a) His fall from the ladder (c) His wedding to Praskovya
(b) His promotion (d) His being passed over for promotion
8. How does Gerasim ease Ivan's physical pain?
(a) By applying cold compress (c) By giving him medicines
(b) By supporting Ivan's legs on his shoulders (d) By talking to him

II. Answer any five in two or three sentences.

(1 x 5 = 5w)

1. What is a *kavya*?
2. Name the seasons (Indian names) mentioned in *Ritusamhara*?
3. What does Ivan Ilyich realize on his deathbed?
4. What is the reaction of the moon on seeing the lovers?
5. At the funeral why does Praskovya want to talk to Peter in private?
6. How does Ivan's family respond to Ivan's illness?
7. How are the doctors presented by Leo Tolstoy in the novella?

III. Answer any two in a paragraph

(4x 2 = 8w)

1. What is the condition of animals in the summer season?
2. Describe the effect of the forest fire in the first canto?
3. Sketch the character of Gerasim.
4. Why does Tolstoy choose to place Ivan's funeral in the first chapter?