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**FA-10**  
**English (Special) Paper-II**  
**(Main)**

**Time : 3 Hours]**

**[Max. Marks: 70**

- Instructions :** (1) All questions carry equal marks.  
(2) All questions are compulsory.

1. (a) 'Kanthapura depicts rural life in India under the impact of the freedom movement.' Discuss.

**OR**

- (b) 'Moorthy is a believer and upholder of Gandhian ethics.' Elaborate.

**OR**

- (c) Write short notes on any **two** :

- (1) Bade Khan  
(2) Element of Irony and Humour in Kanthapura  
(3) Myths in Kanthapura

2. (a) "Shylock is a representative of Jews in a Christian society." Justify.

**OR**

- (b) Discuss The Merchant of Venice as a tragi-comedy.

**OR**

- (c) Write short notes on any **two** :

- (1) Bassanio  
(2) The court scene  
(3) The ring episode

3. (a) Write a detailed note on Tagore as a playwright.

**OR**

- (b) Discuss 'The Post Office' as a symbolist play.

**OR**

- (c) Write short notes on any **two** :

- (1) The title of the play The Post Office  
(2) Gaffer  
(3) Sudha

**4.** Answer briefly any **five** of the following :

- (1) Where had uncle Jules gone ? Who was waiting for him ?
- (2) How did the tiger die ?
- (3) Describe the qualities that make Miss Pushpa T.S. popular at office.
- (4) Describe the poet's experiences at school, as depicted in 'Background Casually' ?
- (5) Why does Winnie follow her mother ?
- (6) Why did Henry sometimes hate his wife ?
- (7) What has made Boris hate Alexis ?
- (8) Why did Princess September keep her window open ?

**5.** Write short notes on any **three** of the following :

- (1) The title : 'When the Roses Bloom Again'.
  - (2) Princess September
  - (3) Island
  - (4) The suspense in The Game of Chess
  - (5) Guru
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