

**AVINASHILINGAM INSTITUTE FOR HOME SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION FOR WOMEN  
COIMBATORE  
MASTER'S DEGREE EXAMINATION – NOVEMBER – 2017  
1 SEMESTER**

**CLASS: I PG**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

**MAJOR: ENGLISH**

**MAX: MARKS: 60**

**17 MENC 01 – PROSE**

**PART – A**

**[10 X ½ = 5]**

**CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER**

1. Persuasive writing states the opinion of the writer and attempts to influence the -----.  
a. reader    b. character    c. setting    d. theme.
2. The Latin expression *prosa oratio* literally means -----.  
a. straightforward or direct speech                      b. round about or indirect speech  
c. prose oration    d. speech skills
3. Riches according to Bacon are the -----.  
a. baggage of virtue    b. baggage of vices    c. God's children    d. anti-social element
4. Montaigne thinks about his own decision to retire to his home and ponder,  
undisturbed, till -----.  
a. his death    b. his retirement    c. his marriage    d. his settlement
5. Lamb talks about -----the owner of the Salopian house.  
a. Mr Read    b. Mr. Speak    c. Mr. Write    d. Mr. Dodger
6. The man in black gives a beggar a piece of -----  
a. silver    b. gold    c. copper    d. bronze
7. R.L. Stevenson says that an idler can give more pleasure than -----  
a. a busy industrious man    b. all drinks available    c. a lazy industrious man    d. all riches in the world
8. 'The Worship of the Wealthy' is about how the -----falsely praising the people those who are  
wealthy and great.  
a. journalists and literary people                      b. historians and poets  
c. politicians and ruffians                                      d. doctors and lawyers
9. Orwell feels that the questions that need to be asked center around Gandhi's -----  
a. self-consciousness and performance of asceticism    b. voluntary poverty  
c. Nonviolence    d. Moral courage
10. Klausner tests his machine in his garden and finds that it registers sounds which are emitted when  
his neighbour Mrs. Saunders cuts ----- stems in her garden.  
a. rose    b. Daisies    c. Chrysanthemum    d. Lavender

**PART - B**

**[5 X 4 = 20]**

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

**EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 200 WORDS OR ONE PAGE**

11 a. Comment on the structure of prose.

**OR**

11 b. Analyse any one types of prose in detail.

12 a. What are the dangers of having an idle mind according to Montaigne?

**OR**

12 b. Comment on Sir Roger and his chaplain and their mutual concurrence in doing good.

13 a. What is the central idea of Charles Lamb's "In Praise of Chimney Sweepers"?

**OR**

13 b. How does Goldsmith show the views of society that affects the image and his perception of his self in his own society?

14 a. Comment on the prose style of A. G. Gardiner.

**OR**

14 b. What are the views of Leacock regarding modern morality?

15 a. Examine Klausner's obsession with sounds.

**OR**

15 b. How do "well-informed circles" retain their prestige?

**PART - C**

**[5 X 7 = 35]**

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

**EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 600 WORDS OR THREE PAGES**

16 a. Examine the various forms of prose.

**OR**

16 b. Trace the historical development of English prose.

17 a. How did Solomon illustrate the differences between the wise person and the foolish person?

**OR**

17 b. What kind of major impact does Sir Richard Steele's essay have on early eighteenth century sensibility?

18 a. Elaborate the point of view of Johnson's "The Lure of Lottery".

**OR**

18 b. Discuss the idea of home and country in Hazlitt's "On the Love of the Country".

19 a. How, according to Belloc, do people ridiculously worship spelling?

**OR**

19 b. Will Lynd's views about writing letters be applicable in the modern era? Justify your answer.

20 a. What does Orwell mean when he says that western progressives, specifically anarchist and pacifists, mistake Gandhi for one of their own?

**OR**

20 b. How are World brain ideas underpinned by Wells' fundamental beliefs about mankind, government and society?