

2022

ENGLISH — HONOURS

Paper : DSE-B-3

(Autobiography)

Full Marks : 65

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

1. Answer the following questions : 1×5
 - (a) Who was Mr. Stapleton?
 - (b) Who told Tagore about the King's Palace?
 - (c) Name the teacher who gave English lessons to Tagore at home.
 - (d) How old was Gandhiji when his father left Porbandar for Rajkot to become a member of the Rajasthanik Court?
 - (e) Name the two theatres that were popular at the time Binodini joined the profession.
 2. Answer **any one** question within **600** words : 15
 - (a) Binodini Dasi's *My Story* is a feminist document. Comment.
 - (b) Binodini Dasi's *My Story* is a personal account of pain and betrayal. Discuss.
 3. Answer **any one** question within **600** words : 15
 - (a) Tagore's *My Reminiscences* reveals a person keenly sensitive to child psychology. Discuss.
 - (b) Examine Tagore's comment that *My Reminiscences* is not his autobiography.
 4. Answer **any one** question within **600** words : 15
 - (a) Write briefly on the major incidents of Gandhiji's school life as narrated in the first eight chapters of *An Autobiography* or *The Story of My Experiments with Truth*.
 - (b) What impression of Gandhiji as a son do you form from your reading of the first eight chapters of *An Autobiography* or *My Experiments with Truth*? Discuss.
 5. Answer **any one** question within **600** words : 15
 - (a) Comment on Nirad C. Chaudhuri's attitude to England and the English as expressed in the first part of his *The Autobiography of an Unknown Indian*.
 - (b) How did life at Banagram impact Nirad C. Chaudhuri's growing up? Discuss.
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