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## UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.Sc./B.Com./BBA/BCA Aec 2nd Semester Examination, 2024

## **UENGAEL10001-ENGLISH COMPULSORY**

## **ENHANCING READING AND WRITING SKILLS**

Time Allotted: 1 Hour 30 Minutes

Full Marks: 30

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Answer any *two* from the following questions:

 $5 \times 2 = 10$ 

- (a) "The ship has weather'd every rack, the prize we sought is won."
  How has the ship weather'd every rack? What is the 'prize' won?
- (b) What does the poet compare the daffodils with? Explain the resemblance.
- (c) Explore the significance of the recurring theme of resilience and defiance in "Still I Rise".
- (d) What is the poet's ideal country in "Where the Mind is Without Fear..."?
- 2. Answer any *two* from the following questions:

 $5 \times 2 = 10$ 

- (a) What did the narrator of "Old Man at the Bridge" ask the old man and how did he react?
- (b) Briefly comment on the ending of "The Gift of the Magi".
- (c) Describe the relationship between Parsi Rustomji and Gandhiji.
- (d) Why does the Protagonist in "The Telephone Call" say that God is angry with her?
- 3. Answer any *two* from the following questions:

 $5 \times 2 = 10$ 

- (a) Write an email to the chairman of the municipality, informing him about irregular water supply in your locality.
- (b) Write a CV applying for the post of a clerk in an educational institution.
- (c) Write a paragraph on your hobby.
- (d) Write a report on the Annual Cultural Meet held at your college.

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