

**FIRST SEMESTER BA DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024**  
**(Supplementary – 2020 to 2021 Admissions)**

**ENGLISH**

**GENG1A02T: WAYS WITH WORDS: LITERATURES IN ENGLISH**

**Time: 2 ½ Hours**

**Maximum Marks: 80**

**SECTION A: Answer the following questions. Each carries *two* marks.**  
**(Ceiling 25 marks)**

1. What does 'outcast state' mean in sonnet 29?
2. Who is referred to as the closest companion of the maturing sun?
3. Explain the figure of speech in 'polished traffic'.
4. Discuss the significance of the word 'toddle' in 'The House of My Childhood'.
5. Why does Angelou call death 'dear and painless'?
6. Comment on 'I want to unlearn all these muting things'
7. Why did the servant flee to Samarra?
8. How did Jerome's father die?
9. Comment on 'Personally, I think it's right here on the premises'.
10. What was Mr. Maloney?
11. What is meant by 'borderline belief'?
12. What is the Confederate Daughters'?
13. Who are Colonial Dames'?
14. What is UFO?
15. Who is a 'buttonholing bore'?

**SECTION B: Answer the following questions. Each carries *five* marks.**  
**(Ceiling 35 marks)**

16. Sonnet 29 is a typical English sonnet. Elucidate
17. Why do you think Death is gendered in the story 'Appointment in Samarra'?
18. Discuss the element of black humour in 'A Shocking Accident'.
19. Discuss the symbolism of the car in 'It Used to be Green Once'.
20. The style of E.V. Lucan in 'Bores'.
21. Describe the lyrical quality of the play 'Something Unspoken'.
22. Consider Bob Dylan's poem as a song of protest.
23. In 'Once upon a Time,' how is the theme of growing up and the loss of innocence portrayed?"

**SECTION C: Answer any *two* questions. Each carries *ten* marks.**

24. Explore the theme of death and rebirth in "Ode: To Autumn."
25. Analyze the poem 'A Roadside Stand' in the context of its criticism of modernization.
26. The rise of science as the predominant method for uncovering the mysteries of the universe, with its inherent capacity for self-correction. Elucidate.
27. Justify the title 'Something Unspoken'.

**(2 × 10 = 20 Marks)**