UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA
SYLLABUS OF COMPULSORY ENGLISH
(for BA and BSc Students)
(with effect from 2017-2018)

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Short Story

R.K. Narayan: *Out of Business*
Stephen Leacock: *My Financial Career*

Essay

George Bernard Shaw: *Spoken English and Broken English*

Poems

William Shakespeare: *The Seven Ages of Man*
Rabindranath Tagore: *Where the Mind is Without Fear*

(from the book *University English Selections: Three Year Degree Course*,
University of Calcutta, 2007)

2 questions of 5 marks each out of 5 (one from each piece): 5 x 2 = 10
5 questions of 2 marks each out of 10 (two from each piece): 2 x 5 = 10
5 questions of 1 mark each out of 10 (two from each piece): 1 x 5 = 5
Total – 25

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Official Letter / Personal Letter / CV Writing / Précis Writing: one question of 10 marks out of four: 10 x 1 = 10
Comprehension Test: two questions of 5 marks each: 5 x 2 = 10
Grammar & vocabulary Test (from the comprehension passage): 5 questions of 1 mark each: 1 x 5 = 5
Total – 25