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(Residential Autonomous College under University of Calcutta)

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FIRST YEAR

ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH

Date : 30/05/2012

Time : 12.30 pm – 1.30 pm

Paper : II

Full Marks : 25

1. In the *Rocking Horse Winner* what are the circumstances that make Paul feel the need to be lucky? And does he become lucky? [5]
2. Why do Richard Cory and the townsmen lead unhappy lives? Answer with close reference to the poem. [5]
3. What is *samskara* and how do they influence our character? How to acquire a good character? [3+2]
4. Use the correct preposition: [1×4]
 - a) He is working as a manager ____ (since/for) five years.
 - b) I'll return ____ (on / no preposition) next Wednesday.
 - c) I saw his name ____ (in/on) the banner.
 - d) I met him ____ (in/at) the bus stop.
5. Rewrite these sentences using commas if and where necessary: [1×3]
 - a) 'Do you want this?' he asked. 'I don't think so' I replied.
 - b) 'I'm happy' he said 'with my progress.'
 - c) CSK which has won two IPL championships was defeated by the KKR in the IPL 2012 Final Game.
6. Give the meaning of the following words: [1×3]
 - a) Complaisant
 - b) Discrete
 - c) forebear

