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Discuss the role of the Chorus in *Oedipus, the King*.

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U.G. 1st Semester Examination - 2018

ENGLISH

(HONOURS)

Course Code : ENGH/CC-T-II

Full Marks : 60

Time : 2½ Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

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

Answer all the questions.

1. Answer any **ten** of the following questions :

2 × 10 = 20

- i) Who is Lar Familiaris?
- ii) Why is Staphyla fed up with Euclio?
- iii) Why does Megadorus want to marry at last?
- iv) What does Euclio buy for his daughter's wedding?
- v) "What do you know of my character?" – What is Euclio's idea regarding the character of Megadorus?
- vi) Who are 'rushing to celebrate the new rites'?
- vii) Why do the Theban women make 'offerings of incense'?

viii) Where do Pyramus and Thisbe live?

ix) "Then he cried out;". Why does Pyramus cry out?

x) "By night, therefore, the queen left her home,"
-Why does the queen leave her home?

xi) "___ have now received my foil." How has the poet received his 'foil'?

xii) "A voice whispers in my well-rinsed ear." What does 'A voice' whisper?

xiii) "I shall give the same answer." Why will the poet give the same answer?

xiv) Who, according to the poet, is 'the sensible man'?
What are the qualities of 'the sensible man'?

xv) Why does Lyconides want to meet Euclio?

2. Answer any **four** of the following questions :

$$5 \times 4 = 20$$

i) Describe Euclio's efforts to keep his gold hidden from everybody.

ii) What role does Lar Familiaris play in *The Pot of Gold*?

iii) What does Eunomia suggest to her brother? What was his reaction?

iv) "Only death could have separated you from me, but not even death will part us." Locate and annotate.

v) "If you love me at all, send me to see my sister, or else have my sister come here." Explain with reference to the context.

vi) "I slip quietly back to the rules of Aristippus...."
a) Who is Aristippus?

b) Why does the speaker 'slip quietly back to the rules of Aristippus'?

vii) "Virtue's first rule is 'avoid vice'" – Why does Horace say this?

viii) How, according to the author, is one's mental and spiritual welfare possible?

3. Answer the following questions :

$$10 \times 2 = 20$$

i) Comment on the role of gods in Book I of Homer's *The Iliad*.

OR

What purpose does the Aegeans' flight to the ships serve in Book II of Homer's *The Iliad*?

ii) Discuss the nature of tragic action in *Oedipus the King*.