

**Third Semester FYUGP Degree Examination NOVEMBER
2025**

**KU3DSCENG204 - CRIME AND DETECTIVE
NARRATIVES**

2024 Admission onwards

Time : 1.5 hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Section A

Answer any 6 questions. Each carry 2 marks.

1. How did Mr. Maltravers die according to the initial report?
2. How does Dupin finally recover the stolen letter?
3. What kind of man is Dukhi in Ruskin Bond's "A Job Well Done"?
4. Who was Major Summerskill?
5. Name one key theme commonly found in Noir fiction?
6. What does W. H. Auden mean by the term "Guilty Vicarage"?
7. How does the chapter's title, "The Vanishing", reflect both literal and symbolic meanings?
8. What did the post-mortem of Roy Thomas reveal in 2011?

Section B

Answer any 4 questions. Each carry 6 marks.

9. Discuss the elements that make cozy mysteries appealing to readers.
10. Explain how the theme of a protagonist's unreliable perception is used to generate suspense in a psychological thriller. Name one film or novel that exemplifies this technique.
11. Discuss the historical development of the true crime genre as outlined by Burger.
12. How does the Clutter family murder affect the village of Holcomb?
13. Explain the public's reaction to Bundy's execution and why people shouted "Burn Bundy Burn."
14. Discuss the murder of Sily and how Jolly planned it in a public place.

Section C

Answer any 1 questions. Each carry 14 marks.

15. a) Write a letter from Captain Black to a close friend, explaining how Poirot solved the mystery of Mr. Maltravers's death at Marsdon Manor.
b) Create a diary entry of Mrs. Maltravers on the day of the murder?
16. a) If the killer had not left the word "Gluttony" behind the refrigerator, how might the detectives have interpreted the crime differently?
b) How would modern forensic technology like DNA testing or CCTV footage have changed the investigation of the "Gluttony" murder?

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