

BA ENGLISH
SIXTH SEMESTER
NEW LITERATURES IN ENGLISH
BEN - 605

(USE SEPARATE ANSWER SCRIPTS FOR OBJECTIVE & DESCRIPTIVE)

Duration: 3 hrs.

Full Marks: 70

(PART-A: Objective)

Time: 20 min.

Marks: 20

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1×20=20

- How does the story *A Very Old Man with Enormous Wings* begin?
 - With the old man
 - With the chicken coop
 - With the killing of crabs
 - With the fever of the young child
- What is the name of Pelayo's wife?
 - Elisenda
 - Eliza
 - Allison
 - Nancy
- What was the name of the father who came to look at the old man?
 - Father Gongorgio
 - Father Gonzaga
 - Father Glenfield
 - Father Godwin
- Who was the man that Yu Tsun meets and eventually kills?
 - Richard Madden
 - Viktor Runeberg
 - Helen Temple
 - Stephen Albert
- The story *The Garden of Forking Paths* begins with an excerpt that contains a report by _____
 - Captain Liddell Hart
 - Captain Richard Madden
 - The Chief
 - Yu TSun
- Who was Tsui Pen?
 - Former Governor of Yunan
 - Yu Tsun's great grandfather
 - Both a and b
 - Only b
- What is Stephen Albert's profession?
 - Spy
 - Writer
 - Sinologist
 - Tour Guide at the Garden
- What was the actual title of the poem "*I taste a liquor never brewed*" when it was published?
 - I taste a liquor
 - High on life
 - The May-Wine
 - The life elixir
- The poem *Woman Work* by Maya Angelou was published in 1978 in her collection _____
 - Jeweled Thighs
 - Still I Rise
 - The Caged Bird Sings
 - I, Woman

10. What does Alice Walker represent through the images of the kettle and the glue in her poem *Remember*?
- a. Tea and Life
 - b. The body and the soul
 - c. Material vs Immaterial things
 - d. No symbolism, the things stand for themselves
11. Which of the following is not written by Jhumpa Lahiri?
- a. The Namesake
 - b. The Interpreter of Maladies
 - c. Midnight Children
 - d. The Lowland
12. The Lowland was published in the year _____
- a. 1990
 - b. 1993
 - c. 2000
 - d. 2013
13. What was the name of the locality in which Subhash and Udayan grew up?
- a. Jadavpur
 - b. Naxalbari
 - c. Tollygunge
 - d. Darjeeling
14. Where did Subhash pursue his higher education?
- a. Boston
 - b. Rhode Island
 - c. New York
 - d. Georgia
15. What was the name of Udayan's daughter?
- a. Gauri
 - b. Bela
 - c. Meghna
 - d. Elise
16. In the novel *The Ice Candy Man*, Lenny is a young _____ girl.
- a. Muslim
 - b. Christian
 - c. Jewish
 - d. Parsi
17. The setting of the novel *Ice Candy Man* is in _____
- a. Amritsar
 - b. Lahore
 - c. Delhi
 - d. Afghanistan
18. Who is the narrator in the *Ice Candy Man*?
- a. Ayah
 - b. The ice candy man
 - c. Lenny
 - d. Godmother
19. Who accidentally ends up betraying Ayah?
- a. Lenny
 - b. Lenny's mother
 - c. Godmother
 - d. The gardener
20. The *Ice Candy Man* was published in the year _____
- a. 1980
 - b. 1998
 - c. 2008
 - d. 2018

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(PART-B : Descriptive)

Time : 2 hrs. 40 min.

Marks : 50

[Answer question no.1 & any four (4) from the rest]

1. What is Magic Realism? Explain with reference to the stories in your course. 4+6=10
2. Critically analyse the concepts of doubt and ambiguity as they play out in the story *A Very Old Man with Enormous Wings*. 5+5=10
3. The central theme of *The Garden of Forking Paths* is time. Do you agree? Justify. 10
4. Discuss the themes of Partition, Violence and Trauma in Bapsi Sidhwa's *The Ice Candy Man*. 5+5=10
5. Write short notes on the following: 5+5=10
 - a) Bapsi Sidhwa
 - b) Jhumpa Lahiri
6. How were Subhash and Udayan different from one another? Describe the relationship between the two brothers. 5+5=10
7. Discuss the symbolism and themes in Jhumpa Lahiri's *The Lowland*. 5+5=10
8. The poem "I taste a liquor never brewed" celebrates Dickinson's intoxication with life. Do you agree? Justify. 4+6=10

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