

BA ENGLISH
SIXTH SEMESTER (SPECIAL REPEAT)
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

1. What does Emily Dickinson explore through her poetry?
 - a. Her fascination for death and afterlife
 - b. The beauty and wonder of natural world
 - c. The various essences of human emotion
 - d. All of these
2. How is the metaphor of 'drunkenness' used in the poem "I Taste a Liquor Never Brewed"?
 - a. To present the intoxication of the speaker
 - b. To present the thrills of the speaker
 - c. To present the joys nature brings to the speaker
 - d. To present the speaker's intoxication with death
3. "I taste a liquor never brewed" was first published in
 - a. Springfield Daily Republican
 - b. Tatler
 - c. London Times
 - d. None
4. What are the twin flowers that poet is offering in Remember me?
 - a. Hope and Justice
 - b. Justice and Humanity
 - c. Humanity and Love
 - d. Hope and Love
5. In "Woman Work" the speaker seeks refuge in _____.
 - a. Death
 - b. Nature
 - c. Memories of childhood
 - d. History of her community
6. What other historical/political event than the Partition of India, acts as a backdrop of the novel, Ice Candy Man?
 - a. World War II
 - b. World War I
 - c. Sikh War
 - d. Formation of the Radcliffe Line
7. Which tale does Lenny ask Ayah to narrate?
 - a. Heer and Ranjha
 - b. Akbar and Birbal
 - c. Ram and Sita
 - d. Mahiwal and Soni
8. What does Lenny visualise about the Partition of India?
 - a. She'll lose her friends
 - b. Lahore would change
 - c. She'll will lose Ayah
 - d. The Earth will bleed

9. What is special about the bond between Lenny and Godmother?
 a. They share common religious identity b. It is stronger than the bond of motherhood
 c. She is Lenny's confidante d. None of these
10. What is the actual name of Slavesister?
 a. Mini b. Roda
 c. Shanta d. Muccho
11. Where was the lowland located in Calcutta where Udayan was killed?
 a. Jadavpur b. Ballygunge
 c. Tollygunge d. Chetla
12. Where did Gauri move to teach in a college leaving the home in Rhode Island?
 a. California b. Ohio
 c. Pennsylvania d. Massachusetts
13. How was Gauri related to Meghna?
 a. She was her step-mother b. She was her mother
 c. She was her grandmother d. She was her grand-aunt
14. In the short story "A Very Old Man with Enormous Wings", what is the name of the man who owns the house?
 a. Pelayo b. Gonzaga
 c. Fernandes d. Loro
15. In Garcia Marquez's short story, who has fever in the beginning?
 a. Pelayo b. Elisenda
 c. The new born child d. Gonzaga
16. In the Garcia Marquez's short story, the carnival spider was originally _____.
 a. A crab b. A man
 c. A girl d. A spider
17. Which of the following is not a work by Jhumpa Lahiri?
 a. Interpreters of Maladies b. The Namesake
 c. Brick Lane d. Unaccustomed Earth
18. Gabriel Garcia Marquez was awarded the Noble Prize in Literature in the year _____.
 a. 1980 b. 1981
 c. 1982 d. 1983
19. In Borges' short story "The Garden of Forking Paths", Yu Tsun was formerly _____.
 a. A spy b. A Doctor
 c. A Translator d. An English Teacher
20. Borges' short story primarily focuses on the possibility of _____.
 a. Reincarnation b. Infinite Endings
 c. Presence of alternative dimensions d. None of these

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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. Comment on the significance of the character, Ice Candy Man and the title of the novel Ice Candy Man. 10
2. What do you understand by the term 'labyrinth'? Analyse the short story, "The Garden of Forking Paths" as a labyrinthine text. 10
3. Write short notes on *any two* of the following: 5+5=10
 - a. Nature in "I Taste a Liquor Never Brewed"
 - b. Character of Lenny in *Ice Candy Man*
 - c. Character of Ayah
 - d. The role of history in *Ice Candy Man*
4. What condition of women is reflected through the poem "Woman Work"? Where does the speaker seek refuge to escape from this condition and why? 5+5=10
5. Discuss Emily Dickinson as a poet. 10
6. What were the assumptions made by the people regarding the old man with the enormous wings? How was he treated and what does it reflect about the community? 4+6=10
7. In what ways were the two brothers, Subhash and Uddayan different from one another? How was Bela affected by the actions of the adults in her life? 6+4=10
8. What is the significance of The Lowland in the novel? 4+6=10

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