

**BA ENGLISH  
THIRD SEMESTER  
WOMEN'S WRITING  
BEN-303(REPEAT)**

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Duration: 3 hrs.

Full Marks: 70

Time: 30 mins.

**(Objective)**

Marks: 20

1×20=20

Choose the correct answer from the following:

- Which of the following is not present in Jane Austen's Emma?  
a. Marriage based on mutual respect  
b. Importance of Social Class  
c. Importance of Women's Education  
d. Voting rights for women
- Which of the following is not a character from Jane Austen's novels?  
a. Elizabeth Bennett  
b. Cathy Earnshaw  
c. Anne Elliott  
d. Jane Fairfax
- What was Mrs Weston's maiden name?  
a. Fairfax  
b. Bates  
c. Smith  
d. Taylor
- How was Mr Knightley related to Emma?  
a. Cousin  
b. Neighbour  
c. Sister's Brother-in-law  
d. Uncle
- Who was humiliated by Emma in the picnic?  
a. Mrs Elton  
b. Jane Fairfax  
c. Miss Bates  
d. Mrs Weston
- Where was Virginia Woolf's lecture originally delivered?  
a. Newnham and Girton College's  
b. University of Cambridge  
c. University of Oxford  
d. Buckingham Palace
- What was required for a woman to assess the University Library during Woolf's time?  
a. Status as a married woman  
b. A letter of recommendation  
c. Must be accompanied by father  
d. None of the above
- What does the narrator propose a women writer should receive?  
a. 3000 pounds a year and a private room  
b. Assess to the Library  
c. 500 pounds a year a private room  
d. Voting rights
- Which of the following was responsible for exploitation of the poor in Mahasweta Devi's play *Water*?  
a. Dhura  
b. Santosh  
c. The Naxals  
d. Maghai
- What was the occupation of Maghai?  
a. farmer  
b. potter  
c. water diviner  
d. fisherman



11. The speaker in "Still I Rise" will rise like .....
- a. Dust
  - b. Air
  - c. Hopes
  - d. All of these
12. What offends the whites?
- a. Sassiness
  - b. Trodding
  - c. Soulful cries
  - d. Haughtiness
13. What is the poem "An Introduction" about?
- a. Patriarchy and woman
  - b. Human life in general
  - c. Malabar
  - d. The speaker's marriage
14. Today I was reading about \_\_\_\_\_
- a. Adrienne Rich
  - b. Madam Curie
  - c. Maya Angelou
  - d. None of them
15. Which statement from the poem "A Bird Came Down the Walk" best identifies the theme of the poem?
- a. Fear and loneliness are most noticeable when a person immerses themselves in nature.
  - b. Animals rarely trust humans despite the good intentions most people possess.
  - c. Humans do not know how to interact with animals.
  - d. Nature exists in a state of beauty separate from humans.
16. Which literary devices are used in the following lines?  
 "He glanced with rapid eyes  
 That hurried all around-  
 They looked like frightened beads, I thought-"
- a. Metaphor, Personification
  - b. Simile, Personification
  - c. Hyperbole, Metaphor
  - d. Alliteration, Simile
17. Which excerpt from the poem best suggests that the speaker is afraid of snakes?
- a. "The Grass divides as with a Comb,/ A spotted Shaft is seen;"
  - b. "But when a Boy and barefoot/ I more than once at noon"
  - c. "I feel for them a transport/ Of Cordiality"
  - d. "Without a tighter Breathing/ And Zero at the Bone."
18. Which answer best explains how the setting affects the poem, "A Narrow Fellow in the Grass"?
- a. The outdoor setting creates a place where a snake can appear and disappear mysteriously
  - b. The outdoor setting creates a place where the speaker's imagination feels free
  - c. The outdoor setting creates a place where the speaker's cries for help are not heard
  - d. The outdoor setting creates a place where the temperature changes drastically.
19. What does Laura's mother do for the family of the man who has died in The Garden Party?
- a. She sends the man's family an invitation to the party.
  - b. She makes the funeral arrangements for the man who has died.
  - c. She sends the man's family a basket of leftovers from the party.
  - d. She delivers a casserole to pay her respects for the man who died.

20. What does Mrs. Sheridan think of Laura's idea to cancel the garden party after learning a man has died?
- a. She agrees that the party should be cancelled.
  - b. She thinks cancelling the party is an unnecessary sacrifice.
  - c. She thinks the man's family should be invited to the party.
  - d. She thinks the party should be postponed for a few hours.

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**( Descriptive )**

Time : 2 hrs. 30 mins.

Marks : 50

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

1. The novel *Emma* focuses on the struggles and development of a strong, intelligent woman. Comment. 10
2. What are the issues faced by women, that are addressed by Virginia Woolf in *A Room of One's Own*? Explain with examples from the first two chapters of the text. 7+3=10
3. Based on your reading of Mahasweta Devi 's *Water*, discuss the theme of oppression and exploitation faced by the villagers in Charsa. 5+5=10
4. Discuss any two themes present in Jane Austen's *Emma*. 5+5=10
5. Elaborate the following expressions: 5+5=10
  - a) "I'm a black ocean, leaping and wide,  
Welling and swelling I bear in the tide."
  - b) "Her wounds came from the same source as her power."
6. "The poem *An Introduction* by Kamala Das is a stringent criticism of the patriarchal society". Discuss. 10

OR

What does the story of "The Garden Party" signify?
7. Explain with reference to the context (any one): 10
  - a) "He glanced with rapid eyes,  
That hurried all abroad -  
They looked like frightened Beads, I thought,  
He stirred his Velvet Head. -"
  - b) "He likes a boggy acre,  
A floor too cool for corn,  
But when a boy and barefoot,  
I more than once at noon"
  - c) "It seems she denied to the end  
the source of the cataracts on her eyes  
the cracked and suppurating skin of her finger-ends  
till she could no longer hold a test-tube or a pencil."
8. Make a character analysis of the following: 5+5=10
  1. Mrs. Sheridan
  2. Laura

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