

MA ENGLISH
SECOND SEMESTER
INDIAN LITERATURE IN ENGLISH
MEN-201

Duration: 3 Hrs.

Marks: 70

{ PART : A (OBJECTIVE) = 20
PART : B (DESCRIPTIVE) = 50 }

[PART-B : Descriptive]

Duration: 2 Hrs. 40 Mins.

Marks: 50

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

1. What are the thematic concerns of Tagore's 'Gitanjali'? Discuss with reference to the poems in the same. [3+7=10]
2. Based on your readings of the poems in your syllabus, discuss Kamala Das as a Confessional poet. What are the elements of Indianness found in her poetry? [5+5=10]
3. How does A.K Ramanujan represent the theme of Indian identity? Discuss in relation to the poems you have studied. [3+7=10]
4. How does Karnad mingle folktale and distancing devices in 'Nagamandala'? Comment on the use of superstition in the same. [7+3=10]
5. How does R.K Narayan represent the Indian society in the short stories that you have read? Comment on the use of humour in the same. [7+3=10]
6. Salman Rushdie in his 'Midnight's Children' has successfully woven history and politics along with the element of fantasy and the grotesque. Comment. 6+4=10
7. What are the dominant issues in Arundhati Roy's 'The God of Small Things'? How does the writer employ the device of sarcasm for the same? [7+3=10]
8. Write short notes on any two of the following--- [5+5=10]
 - a. Interior monologue in 'The God of Small Things'.
 - b. Theatre of Roots.
 - c. Magic realism in 'The Midnight's Children'.
 - d. Regionalism in 'Malgudi days'.

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[PART-A : Objective]

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1X20=20

1. Which of the following is associated with the Theatre of Roots?
a. A.K Ramanujan
b. Mahesh Dattani
c. Ratan Thiyam
d. Vijay Tendulkar
2. Which of the following is incorrect?
a. Kamala Das---Madhavikutty
b. A.K Ramanujan ----Chicago Zen
c. Girish Karnad-----Hayavadhana
d. R.K Narayan-----Coolie
3. Toru Dutt wrote
a. Savitri
b. Gitanjali
c. To India my Native land
d. The Casuarina tree
4. Gitanjali was published in
a. 1909
b. 1912
c. 1913
d. 1914
5. Kapanna was
a. Bitten by a snake
b. Vanished with an unearthly woman
c. Committed suicide
d. Became a playwright
6. The tiger created terror in the village of
a. Malgudi
b. Mempi
c. Vinayak Street
d. Mylapore

7. Rani was made to undergo
a. The snake ordeal
b. Fire ordeal
c. Smoke ordeal
d. whippings
8. 'Nagamandala ' was published in
a. 1988
b. 1989
c. 1990
d. None of the above
9. Naga merges with the----of Rani.
a. tresses
b. dress
c. vase
d. base
10. Rahel is the twin sister of
a. Estha
b. Velutha
c. Pillai
d. Pappachi
11. Velutha is a
a. Paravan
b. Policeman
c. invalid
d. doctor
12. Estha suffers molestation at
a. Abhilash Talkies
b. The airport
c. school
d. market
13. Thannappa is the
a. clerk
b. postman
c. policeman
d. sarpanch
14. Aadam Aziz hailed from
a. Kashmir
b. Amritsar
c. Agra
d. Bombay

15. Boatman Tai is called
a. The watery Caliban
 b. minstrel
c. elder
d. magician

16. -----is Saleem's antagonist.
a. Parvati
 b. Shiva
c. Sony Ibrahim
d. Jamila

17. The Jalianwallah massacre took place in April
a. 1919
 b. 1917
c. 1916
d. 1915

18. ----- was the first word uttered by Saleem's son Adam.
a. abracadabra
 b. mama
c. Pioneer cafe
d. Sunderbans

19. Tiger Niazi surrendered to Sam Maneckshaw on -----1971.
a. 14 December
 b. 15 December
c. 14 November
d. 15 November

20. ----- is the son of Comrade Pillai.
a. Lenin
 b. Stalin
c. Putin
d. Swadhin

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Question Paper CUM Answer Sheet

[PART (A) : OBJECTIVE]

Serial no. of the main
Answer sheet

Course :

Semester : Roll No :

Enrollment No : Course code :

Course Title :

Session : 2016-17 Date :

Instructions / Guidelines

- The paper contains twenty (20) / ten (10) questions.
- The student shall write the answer in the box where it is provided.
- The student shall not overwrite / erase any answer and no mark shall be given for such act.
- Hand over the question paper cum answer sheet (Objective) within the allotted time (20 minutes / 10 minutes) to the invigilator.

Full Marks	Marks Obtained	Remarks
20		

Scrutinizer's Signature

Examiner's Signature

Invigilator's Signature