

MA ENGLISH
Third Semester
POST COLONIAL LITERATURE
(MEN - 302)

Duration: 3Hrs.

Full Marks: 70

Part-A (Objective) =20
Part-B (Descriptive) =50

(PART-B: Descriptive)

Duration: 2 hrs. 40 mins.

Marks: 50

Answer any four from Question no. 2 to 9
Question no. 1 is compulsory.

1. What is your understanding of the process of Decolonisation? Explain your answer with at least **two** texts of your choice. (2+4+4=10)
2. Discuss **any one** of the following issues as attended by your prescribed writers/ authors/poets with reference to at least **two** texts of your choice. (5+5=10)
 - i. Reflection of the issue of postcolonial identity crisis.
 - ii. Language as a tool of postcolonial resistance.
3. What is Gandhi's idea of a true civilization? How does he resist the criticism by the Reader character in the book *Hind Swaraj*? (5+5=10)
4. Discuss the theme of racial inequality in *Wide Sargasso Sea*. How does racial inequality lead to the suffering and sad end of Antoinette Cosway? (5+5=10)
5. Can *Wide Sargasso Sea* be viewed as a postcolonial answer to Charlotte Bronte's *Jane Eyre*? Give reasons for your answer. (5+5=10)
6. Discuss the various levels of discrimination faced by the protagonists of "How Barry Changed His Image" and "White Fantasy- Black Fact". (5+5=10)

7. What does Edward Said mean by Strategic Location and Strategic Formation? How does he relate these ideas with the idea of 'pure knowledge' and 'political knowledge'?
- (5+5=10)
8. Raja Rao's *Kanthapura* is the story in miniature of a village in South India named *Kanthapura*. Discuss the social, political, religious and mythical background and themes of *Kanthapura*.
- (6+4=10)
9. Who narrates the story of *Kanthapura*? Show the technique of images, mythology and legends embedded in the story-telling style of *Kanthapura*.
- (2+8=10)

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(PART A - Objective Type)

I. Choose the correct answer:

1×12=12

1. Kikuyu is a tribe from,
a) North Africa b) South Africa
c) East Africa d) West Africa
2. In which novel did Disraeli mention that “the East was a career?”
a) *Comedie humaine* b) *Pride and Prejudice*
c) *Tancred* d) *Chrestomathie arabe*
3. Which Parliament is considered as the Mother of all Parliaments?
a) The French b) The American
c) The Indian d) The British
4. Which of the following is not a quality of the passive resister?
a) Chastity b) Truth
c) Fearlessness d) Tolerance
5. Who was the host of the talk-back radio show followed by Navaranjini?
a) Mr. Blackstone b) Mr. Casey
c) Mr. Wicks d) Mr. Woop Woop
6. Which hospital was the snake-bitten child taken to?
a) Perth Hospital b) City Hospital
c) Vietnamatta Hospital d) Sidney Hospital
7. “The _____ wrestles with the superman.”
a) *Spiderman* b) *Batman*
c) *Kikuyu* d) *Gorilla*
8. “But Buccra ‘poil de whole/ Wid _____ an all de rest’..”
a) *government* b) *gove'mint*
c) *govt* d) *gov'ment*
9. “Now he is dead. His _____ burned.”
a) *Farm* b) *Trap*
c) *Meat-shop* d) *Shoes*

