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B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021.

Fifth Semester

Main — English

Major Elective — WOMEN'S WRITING

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. The poem “Woman to Man” is presented from the point of view of a \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) grand mother      (b) new mother  
(c) young woman      (d) a slave woman
2. In the poem “Originally” a red room that fell through the fields refers to \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) a small red car      (b) a toilet  
(c) a bathroom      (d) a living room

3. Daffodils and straw berries symbolize the \_\_\_\_\_  
cultural hegemony.
- (a) Australian (b) French  
(c) Caribbean (d) English
4. The text "Shakespeare's sister" is taken from  
chapter \_\_\_\_\_ of Woolf's "A room of one's  
own".
- (a) 5 (b) 2  
(c) 1 (d) 3
5. Ronald carter is \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) an English journalist  
(b) a writer by progression  
(c) a trader  
(d) an English teacher
6. Charlotte and her children are economically  
dependant on \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Mr. Neave (b) Harold  
(c) Mildred (d) Her son

7. Mira taught English literature at \_\_\_\_\_ college.
- (a) St. Mary's                      (b) Christ  
(c) Sona Nivas                      (d) Shanti Niketan
8. Mira wanted to become \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) a model                      (b) airhostess  
(c) a poet                      (d) a writer
9. The play Topdog/underdog ends with \_\_\_\_\_ holding Lincoln's body and screaming in agony.
- (a) Cookie                      (b) Grace  
(c) Booth                      (d) Booth's mother
10. Booth's confessions of raping, cooking and killing Grace symbolize his need to arrest himself as \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) an alpha male  
(b) an average  
(c) a dominant male  
(d) an aggressive male

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Explain the metaphor of seed and tree in the poem “Woman to Man”.

Or

- (b) Why do you think the family mentioned in “Originally” moved from one country to another?

12. (a) Sketch the character of Eddie.

Or

- (b) Analyse the significance of the figure of Judith Shakespeare created by the narrator.

13. (a) Discuss the role of Ronald carter.

Or

- (b) Comment on the irony of the title “An ideal family”.

14. (a) Sketch the character of Mira.

Or

- (b) Describe the atrocities during the rule of Gowda.

15. (a) Comment on the symbolism of the card game.

Or

- (b) Discuss the role of Lincoln in the play Topdog/Underdog.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Critically appreciate the poem “Phenomenal woman”.

Or

- (b) How does Duffy express her mental agency while migrating from one country to another?

17. (a) Why are the books burnt by Mrs. Sawyer? What is the significance of this incident?

Or

- (b) How does Woolf bring out the gender discrimination in Elizabethan society?

18. (a) How does Mira regain her identity?

Or

- (b) How does Meena Alexander expose the exists of contemporary India?

19. (a) Discuss about Pat's liberal ideology. What happened to her at last?

Or

- (b) What are the causes for Mr. Neave's alienation?

20. (a) Who is topdog and who is underdog, as described in the play Topdog/underdog? Explain the difference between them.

Or

- (b) Is the title of the play Topdog/underdog apt? Justify the title.
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