

B.A. Semester-5 Examination

CC 304

English (EA)

March-2024

Time : 2-30 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

Instructions :

- (1) It is compulsory to attempt ALL questions
- (2) Please mention the question you attempt
- (3) Figures to the right indicate marks

1. We find an interesting blend of modernity and conservatism in the poetry of A.K. Ramanujan. Evaluate the themes and milieu of Ramanujan's poetry. 14

OR

1. In the past 50 years, there has been an emergence of the Indian English 'New' Novel. Trace the development of the 'new' novels of Magic Realism and novels of Social Realism.

2. "Silently she prayed for her son". Comment on the contrastive relationship between the mother and son, Shamnath in the story *The Boss Came to Dinner*. 14

OR

2. *Two Red Roosters* exposes the superstitious beliefs and practices in the Indian scenario. Evaluate the story in detail.

3. "O single-tusked destroyer of incompleteness, we pay homage to you and start our play". *Hayavadana* deals with dual theme of completeness and incompleteness at three levels-divine, animal and human. Discuss. 14

OR

3. Write notes on:
 (a) Narrative technique of the play *Hayavadana*
 (b) Character sketch of Padmini

4. Show your acquaintance with any SEVEN of the following works. Mention the name of the author, year of publication and age/period to which it belongs: 14

- a) *A Suitable Boy*
- b) *Sea of Poppies*
- c) *The Princess*
- d) *After Amnesia*
- e) *Rich Like Us*
- f) *Heat and Dust*
- g) *Close the Sky Ten by Ten*
- h) *Purdah*
- i) *Mother of Maya Diip*

5. Attempt any SEVEN of the following: 14

1. Where is the plot of *Hayavadana* taken from?

- (A) *Ramayana*
- (B) *Kathasaritsagara*
- (C) *Panchatantra*

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2. Which novel by Anurag Mathur highlights bureaucratic corruption?
 (A) *Stripped Steel*
 (B) *A Fistful of Desire*
 (C) *Making the Minister Smile*
3. From which city has Mr. Towers ~~has~~ come?
 (A) Chicago
 (B) Calcutta
 (C) New Delhi
4. Who said- "Marathi was his lost mother tongue and English was his second mother tongue"?
 (A) A K Ramanujan
 (B) Nissim Ezekiel
 (C) Dom Moraes
5. In whose poetry do we find recurrent motifs of ancestral heritage and memory?
 (A) Sarojini Naidu
 (B) Nissim Ezekiel
 (C) A K Ramanujan
6. Name the second volume of the autobiography by Dom Moraes .
 (A) *Never at Home*
 (B) *The Stolen Light*
 (C) *My Son's Father*
7. Who says, "This human voice- this cursed human voice-it's still there !" ?
 (A) Bhagavata
 (B) The Boy
 (C) Hayavadana
8. The American boss was fascinated by: _____
 (A) Antique furniture
 (B) Phulkari embroidery
 (C) Punjabi Food
9. Who says, "There are no buffaloes in America". ?
 (A) Pundit
 (B) Sonba
 (C) Kheti- Sahib
10. Who was one among the world's nine leading numismatists?
 (A) Miss Merriman
 (B) Dr. Banerjee
 (C) Mr. Stan Towers
11. *From Heaven Lake* is a travelogue by: _____
 (A) Amitav Ghosh
 (B) Vikram Sheth
 (C) Salman Rushdie
12. Name the historical novel written by Amitav Ghosh- _____
 (A) *Once Upon a Raj*
 (B) *Shadow Lines*
 (C) *In an Antique Land*
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