

Seat No. : \_\_\_\_\_

**DA-118**  
**December-2013**  
**M.A. Sem. III**  
**504 : ENGLISH**  
**(EA : Comparative Literature)**

**Time : 3 Hours]**

**[Max. Marks : 70**

**Instructions :** (1) **All** questions are compulsory.  
(2) Figures to the right indicate marks.

1. Commonality and Oneness are the platforms on which literatures can be compared. Write a detailed note. **14**

**OR**

In comparative theory, theorist and theory both are important. Do you agree ? Comment.

**OR**

Define the concept and nature of Comparative practices in Literature.

2. Mention major theories of Comparative Literature. **14**

**OR**

What are the current approaches in practice of Comparative Literature ? Write a detailed essay on major approaches.

**OR**

What are the elements to be applied while comparing Indian and Western novels in particular ?

3. How does the Genealogy impact the study of literature ? **14**

**OR**

What are the functions and limitations of Genealogy ?

**OR**

What is the role of Genealogy in the study of literature ? Define and comment in detail.

4. How is the women perspective dealt in two novels : The *Binding Vine* and *The Color Purple* ? 14

**OR**

In the last century female voice become an inevitable part of literature. Compare and contrast in your views.

**OR**

Write a comparative note on the symbolic significance of the titles of the two novels : *The Binding Vine* and *The Color Purple*.

5. Mark the correct answer from the choices given below : 14

(1) Comparative Literature is an academic field dealing with the literature of \_\_\_\_\_ group.

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| (a) Linguistic | (b) Culture      |
| (c) Nation     | (d) All of these |

(2) Comparative Literature regards with comparison between

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| (a) Two literary texts | (b) Two writers  |
| (c) Two culture        | (d) All of these |

(3) Comparison of literature in India has more vividness

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| (a) Because of unity and diversity |
| (b) Because of languages           |
| (c) Because of regional cultures   |
| (d) All of these                   |

(4) Major ancient Indian literature are

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| (a) Assamese and Bengali | (b) Dogri and Gujarati    |
| (c) Sanskrit and Tamil   | (d) Kashmiri and Maithili |

(5) Epistolary novel means

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| (a) Novel in form of diary        |
| (b) Novel in form of letters      |
| (c) Stream of consciousness novel |
| (d) None of these                 |

- (6) The Binding Vine is published in
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| (a) 1997 | (b) 1994 |
| (c) 1995 | (d) 1993 |
- (7) “This pain is all that’s left me of Anu. Without it there will be nothing left to me of her” is spoken by
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| (a) Celie   | (b) Urmi |
| (c) Kalpana | (d) Mira |
- (8) What is the key element in both the novels, “The Binding Vine” and “The Colour Purple” ?
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| (a) Inner pain        | (b) Affection in relations |
| (c) Domestic violence | (d) Poverty                |
- (9) The concept of influence in Comparative Literature refers through
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| (a) The French Hour   | (b) The American Hour    |
| (c) The German School | (d) The Roman Literature |
- (10) Genealogy or genre theory or genre studies started with
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| (a) Rome  | (b) America |
| (c) Greek | (d) India   |
- (11) Assertion (1) – Comparison or contrast employed in the process is not to establish superiority of one work of art over the other.
- Assertion (2) – Comparative literature advocates to bring two or more work of different languages, writers, nations and literatures.
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| (a) (1) is true and (2) is false | (b) (1) and (2) both are false |
| (c) (1) is false and (2) is true | (d) (1) and (2) both are true  |
- (12) Claudio Guillen was a \_\_\_\_\_ Writer.
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| (a) American | (b) German  |
| (c) Russian  | (d) Spanish |

(13) “The Color Purple” is published in

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| (a) 1993 | (b) 1992 |
| (c) 1985 | (d) 1983 |

(14) “The Color Purple” set in the background of

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| (a) Rural India   | (b) Rural America |
| (c) Rural Georgia | (d) Rural Africa  |

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**Course 504 EB : ENGLISH**

**(Colonial/Post Literature)**

**Time : 3 Hours]**

**[Max. Marks : 70**

- Instructions :** (1) Attempt **all** questions.  
(2) **All** questions carry equal marks.

1. (a) "A civilization which justifies colonization is already a sick civilization." Elaborate. **14**

**OR**

- (b) "A Passage to India is a perfect example of Postcolonial Literature." Justify.

2. (a) "The Orient that appears in Orientalism, then is a system of representations framed by a whole set of forces that brought the Orient into Western learning... East is confined in the Orient stage." Discuss Edward Said's views on Orientalism keeping in view the above statement. **14**

**OR**

- (b) "Things Fall Apart discusses different layers of oppression in different aspects of African life – Sexism, Racism and Classism." Justify.

3. Write any **two** short notes : **14**

- (1) Imperialism in Burmese Days.  
(2) An Indian Day : A Colonial Experience.  
(3) Hybridity and Multi-culturalism in Shadow Lines.  
(4) Post-colonialism in Wide Sargasso Sea.

4. Write the correct option : **14**

- (1) Discourse on Colonialism was first published in the year \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) 1965 (b) 1955  
(c) 1985 (d) 1995

- (2) A civilization that uses its principles for trickery and deceit is a \_\_\_\_ civilization.
- (a) Decadent (b) Dying  
(c) Living (d) Stricken
- (3) Aime Cesaire was greatly influenced by \_\_\_\_.
- (a) Lenin (b) Hitler  
(c) Marx (d) Gandhiji
- (4) A Passage to India was published in the year \_\_\_\_.
- (a) 1921 (b) 1947  
(c) 1924 (d) 1929
- (5) Name the magazine which included A Passage to India in its “100 Best English-language Novels”.
- (a) Time (b) Variety  
(c) Composition (d) India Today
- (6) Chandrapore is a fictional town based on the real city of \_\_\_\_.
- (a) Amritsar (b) Bankipur  
(c) Bharatpur (d) Rampur
- (7) Adela Quest wants to marry Mrs. Moore’s son named \_\_\_\_.
- (a) Ronny Heaslop (b) Peter Heaslop  
(c) Tony Moore (d) Cyril Fielding
- (8) A Passage to India was converted into a Motion Picture in the year \_\_\_\_.
- (a) 1960 (b) 1984  
(c) 1962 (d) 1955
- (9) If Orient means East, what does West mean ?
- (a) Ocular (b) Occident  
(c) Opulence (d) Opaque
- (10) Orientalism was published in the year \_\_\_\_.
- (a) 1978 (b) 1958  
(c) 1968 (d) 1998

- (11) Western scholars differentiate between the East and the West through ontological and \_\_\_\_\_ distinction.
- (a) Archeological (b) Historical  
(c) Cultural (d) Epistemological
- (12) What is the name of Okonkwo's second wife ?
- (a) Chielo (b) Ojiugo  
(c) Ekwefi (d) Ezinma
- (13) What does Okonkwo do even though he is advised not to ?
- (a) Beat Nwoye twice (b) Convert to Christianity  
(c) Help kill Ikemefuna (d) Attack Chielo
- (14) The title Things Fall Apart is taken from a poem by \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Alfred Tennyson (b) Joseph Conrad  
(c) T.S. Eliot (d) W.B. Yeats

5. Answer in brief :

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- (1) Discuss briefly different types of civilization.
- (2) Briefly comment on the views expressed by Cesaire regarding the relationship between colonizer and colonized.
- (3) Discuss in brief the friendship of Dr. Aziz and Mr. Fielding.
- (4) Write a brief note on Adela Quest.
- (5) Briefly discuss Edward Said's objection to the West's opinion about the orient.
- (6) Briefly comment on the role of women in Things Fall Apart.
- (7) Discuss in brief the title Things Fall Apart.
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