

Seat No. : _____

JA2-106
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M.A., Sem.-I
404 : English
(Women's Writing)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

Instructions : (i) Attempt **all** questions.
(ii) **All** questions carry equal marks.

1. (a) Discuss in detail the four pre-requisites set by Virginia Woolfe for a woman to be a writer. **14**
- OR**
- (b) Evaluate Kamala Das as a confessional poet.
2. (a) Write a detailed note on the growth and development of the Black Feminist Movement and its influence on Black Women's Writing. **14**
- OR**
- (b) "The Bluest Eye is the quest for individual identity and perception of beauty" – Elucidate.
3. Write short notes on any **two** : **14**
- (1) Moving On
(2) Seven Steps in the Sky
(3) Lihaf
(4) The Inheritance of Loss
4. Write the correct option : **14**
- (1) When was Woolf's lecture originally delivered ?
(a) Jan. 1900 (b) June 1942
(c) March 1818 (d) Oct. 1928
- (2) Which female writer was the first to earn money through her writing ?
(a) Emily Bront (b) Jane Austen
(c) Aphra Behn (d) Virginia Woolf
- (3) From whom did the narrator receive her inheritance ?
(a) Her aunt (b) Her father
(c) Her mother (d) Her uncle
- (4) The main theme of 'An Introduction' is :
(a) Loss of love (b) Search for Identity
(c) Nostalgia (d) Nature

- (5) The only nominal space not controlled by man in a Newspaper is :
- (a) Movie page (b) Advertisement
(c) Weather forecast (d) Editorials
- (6) The poem Ghanshyam is addressed to _____.
(a) Lord Shiva (b) Kamala Das's husband
(c) Lord Krishna (d) Kamala Das's lover
- (7) Toni Morrison won the Nobel Prize for literature in _____.
(a) 1983 (b) 1970
(c) 1968 (d) 1920
- (8) Black Feminist Criticism was published in the year _____.
(a) 1964 (b) 1984
(c) 1945 (d) 1943
- (9) A Room of One's own begins with a search for
(a) A gold coin (b) A nugget of gold
(c) A nugget of truth (d) A nugget of experience
- (10) Excerpts of which first-grade primer remind readers to be aware of the dichotomy between the black and white cultures ?
(a) Friendly village (b) Dick and Jane
(c) On My Street (d) Ted and Sally
- (11) Pecola possesses a core characteristic that affects all of the other characters in the novel. What is it ?
(a) Anger (b) Innocence
(c) Passivity (d) Self hatred
- (12) Black feminist was replaced by a more holistic, more multicultural term _____.
(a) Womanist (b) New Feminism
(c) Gynocentricism (d) Humanist
- (13) Toni Morrison was born as _____.
(a) Maya Angelou (b) Chloe Ardelia Wofford
(c) Alice Munro (d) Alice Walker
- (14) Claudia dismembers a _____ to show her intolerance towards social and racial issues.
(a) Toy (b) Ball
(c) Doll (d) Bat

5. Answer in brief :

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- (1) Offer a pen-picture of Judith Shakespeare.
- (2) Discuss briefly the main themes of Kamala Das's poetry.
- (3) Write a brief note on the end of *The Bluest Eye*.
- (4) Comment briefly on the chief characteristics of Black Feminist Criticism.
- (5) Briefly discuss the character of Pecola.
- (6) Attempt a brief note on the symbol in *The Bluest Eye*
- (7) Bring out the appropriateness of the title *The Old Playhouse*.