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B.A., Sem.-IV

**Core-212 : English
(Indian English Literature)**

Time : 2 :30 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

1. (a) Critically evaluate 'Looking for a Cousin on a Swing' by A.K. Ramanujan. **17**

OR

- (b) Write short-notes on the following :

- (1) Tagore's 'Breezy April' as a nature poem
(2) 'Postcard from Kashmir' as a poem of alienation and longing.

2. (a) Discuss in detail 'The Weed' as a narrative of innocence and orthodoxy imposed upon Angoori. **17**

OR

- (b) Write short notes on :

- (1) 'Mars in the Seventh House' – a predicament of conjugal life.
(2) Jawaharlal Nehru's impressive speech in 'A Tryst with Destiny'.

3. (a) Elaborate Indian social mileau as depicted in 'Naga-Mandala'. **17**

OR

- (b) Draw a character-sketch of Rani.

4. (a) Show your acquaintances with the following works, mentioning the name of the writer, the year of publication, the form of the work and the age/period it belongs. (any **Five**) **10**

- (1) Untouchable
(2) My Story
(3) Hind Swaraj
(4) Swami and Friends
(5) Five Point Someone
(6) Hymns in Darkness
(7) Voices in the City

- (b) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct options :
- (1) The name of Angoori's husband was _____.
 (a) Mohanti (b) Prabhati (c) Ramtara (d) Rohit
 - (2) The _____ Flame narrates the story of Rani and Appanna.
 (a) Fourth (b) First (c) Second (d) Third
 - (3) In 'Breezy April', the month of April is a symbol of _____.
 (a) barrenness (b) destruction (c) rebirth (d) silence
 - (4) In 'Looking for a Cousin on a Swing', the swing symbolises
 (a) sexual desire (b) withdrawal (c) foolishness (d) ignorance
 - (5) Which river is called 'ultramarine' in the poem 'Postcard from Kashmir'?
 (a) Ganga (b) Yamuna (c) Saraswati (d) Jhelum
 - (6) Ramtara was a _____.
 (a) watchman (b) milkman (c) washerman (d) thief
 - (7) The hero of 'Mars in the Seventh House' finally plans to go to a _____ to save his wife from illness.
 (a) mendicant (b) astrologer (c) saint (d) concubine
 - (8) The phrase of Nehru's 'Tryst with Destiny' was inspired by the famous speech of _____.
 (a) Roosevelt (b) Shakespeare (c) Chaucer (d) Derrida
 - (9) In 'Naga-Mandala', the meaning of the name Kappanna is the _____ one.
 (a) white (b) yellow (c) black (d) pink
