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B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2023.

Fifth Semester

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. Who is referred as 'the eyeless labourer' in the poem 'Women to Man'?
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| (a) the baby | (b) the women |
| (c) the man | (d) the labours |

2. The poem "I am Not That Woman" describes the sad states of women in _____
- (a) Western countries
 - (b) Eastern countries
 - (c) American countries
 - (d) African countries
3. Who wrote "A room of One's own"?
- (a) Virginia Woolf
 - (b) Maya Angelou
 - (c) Judith Wright
 - (d) Shakespeare
4. Who is the colonizer in "The Day they Burned the Books"?
- (a) Mrs. Sawyer
 - (b) The narrator
 - (c) Mr. Sawyer
 - (d) Eddie
5. The story "Correspondence course" is set in _____
- (a) South Africa
 - (b) South America
 - (c) South Wales
 - (d) South Asia
6. Who is Charlotte?
- (a) Wife of the business man
 - (b) Friend of the business man
 - (c) Neighbour of the business man
 - (d) Cousin of the business man

7. Meena Alexandar's 'Nampally road' took place in the city of _____
- (a) Mumbai (b) Chennai
(c) Hyderabad (d) Bangalore
8. Durgabai is a _____
- (a) house wife (b) gynaecologist
(c) Actor (d) teacher
9. Top dog/under dog was published in the year _____
- (a) 1989 (b) 1999
(c) 1865 (d) 1867
10. Who wins the final game of three - card monte in top dog underdog?
- (a) Lincoln (b) Booth
(c) Grace (d) Cookie

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Bring out the man - woman relationship in the poem "Woman to Man".

Or

- (b) The poem 'Originally' is a dramatic monologue - discuss.

12. (a) Explain the main theme in Jean Rhys "The day they burned the books".

Or

- (b) Elucidate the status of women in society with the help of Virginia Woolf's "Shakespeare's sister".

13. (a) Justify the title "A correspondence course".

Or

- (b) How does Del develop her principle of writing?

14. (a) Why did Mira rush to the flat of Siddharth?

Or

- (b) What information did Siddharth want Mira to hide from mother?

15. (a) What is the meaning of Booth's girl being named grace?

Or

- (b) Describe the central conflict of 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) The poem "Woman to Man" illustrates the beauty of the embryo and the sensational physical experiences of the women - Explain.

Or

- (b) Critically analyse the poem Maya Angelou's "Phenomenal women".

17. (a) "Rhys portrays Mr. Sawyer as a patriarchal oppressor as well as a colonizer tyrant" - Elucidate.

Or

- (b) What is the opinion of Virginia Woolf about shakes Peare's sister?

18. (a) 'Pat represent a mother's protective instinct for her child' - Discuss.

Or

(b) Bring out the irony in the story "An Ideal family".

19. (a) Write an essay on 'Mira's attempt to adjust European culture.

Or

(b) Sketch the character of Siddharth in 'Nampally road'.

20. (a) Differentiate the characters booth and lincon.

Or

(b) Discuss the symbolic representation of parks' topdog/under dog.
