

FOURTH SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020

English

ENG 4A 06 SPECTRUM : LITERATURE AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer *all* the following questions by choosing the correct answer :

- 1 Who is the author of Friday, the Other Island ?
 - (a) Aristotle.
 - (b) Shakespeare.
 - (c) Michel Tournier.
 - (d) None of these.
- 2 The term Yellow shore refers to the quality of Turmeric as a _____.
 - (a) Medicine.
 - (b) Antidote.
 - (c) Cosmetic.
 - (d) Ingredient in curries.
- 3 Malala wanted people to empower themselves with _____.
 - (a) Arms and ammunitions.
 - (b) Peaceful coexistence.
 - (c) Terrorism.
 - (d) The weapon of knowledge.
- 4 Who was the author of Petro Paramo ?
 - (a) Mario Vargas Llosa.
 - (b) Rulfo.
 - (c) Gabriel Garcia Marquez.
 - (d) Jorge Luis Borges.
- 5 Who thought that Emannuelle's mother was crazy ?
 - (a) The therapist.
 - (b) The counsellor.
 - (c) The Paediatrician.
 - (d) Her father's elder brother.
- 6 What was Najab notorious for among his friends ?
 - (a) Adventures.
 - (b) Confidence.
 - (c) Diffidence.
 - (d) Brutality.
- 7 Who is Viswanathan's wife ?
 - (a) Radha.
 - (b) Seetha.
 - (c) Manju.
 - (d) Maya.

Turn over

- 8 What is the meaning of the word Vulpine ?
- (a) Characteristic of a fox. (b) Animal with calm nature.
(c) Feature of a pig. (d) None of these.
- 9 Who is the woman with ashen hair ?
- (a) Shulamith. (b) Margarete.
(c) Both. (d) None of these.
- 10 What career did the man suggest for Alassankutty ?
- (a) Sheep rearing. (b) Fish farming.
(c) Job abroad. (d) Tailoring.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* of the following questions in two or three sentences :

- 11 What happens if we leave the treatment of refugee crisis to the mass media ?
- 12 What is the poem "Turmeric" about ?
- 13 When is prison a safer place ?
- 14 Why is it said that no country is foreign ?
- 15 How is a worker's stubbornness defined ?
- 16 What does Viswan realize as he finishes reading the novel ?
- 17 What lie does Najab tell Kaley Shah when he visits his place alone ?
- 18 What happens when we take arms against each other ?
- 19 What advice does Mariam give to Allasan pressing his hands to her chest ?
- 20 How can the human animal experience love ?
- 21 Who is Martin Luther King Jr ?
- 22 Why was Bet grateful to the little black lady in the train ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a *paragraph* of 100 words :

- 23 How does Amanda Michalopoulou establish that fiction teaches us to accept differences ?
- 24 Comment on Daruwalla's description of Nature in the story.

- 25 The agonizing experiences of Emmanuelle's parents before they confirmed her defect.
- 26 The narrative style of Hendricks' essay.
- 27 How does the new visitor tempt Alassan to accept his proposal ?
- 28 The traditional uses and significance of turmeric as given in Satchidanandan's poem.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Write essays on any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

- 29 Examine how Santhosh Eachikkanam portrays an unsympathetic society in "Comala".
- 30 "One child, one teacher, one book and one pen can change the world". How convincing are the words of Malala Yousafzai ?
- 31 How does Paul Celan capture the intense tragic experience of the holocaust in "Death Fugue" ?
- 32 Examine "Home" as a powerful critique of the refugee crisis.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)