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B. A. English
ENG3CJ202 : LANGUAGE IN ACTION
2024 Admission Onwards
(Credits: 4)

Time: 2 Hours **Maximum Marks: 70**

Section A

*Answer **all**. Each question carries **3** Marks.* ***(Ceiling: 24 Marks)***

1. How does literature function as a site for negotiating competing ideologies and subjectivities through language?
2. What are the main functions of media in society?
3. What is a policy document?
4. What role does the imagery of death play in the speaker's emotional and psychological state throughout the poem, “Commute”?
5. What is the significance of Aunt Bernie‘s transformation after her death? How does her new personality contrast with who she was when alive?
6. How do tipping points differ from linear climate changes?
7. What dance form did she eventually learn under Nataraja Ramakrishna, and why was this significant?
8. How does the dowry prohibition circular define dowry under the law?
9. How does The Forest Conservation Act define the term “reserved forest”?
10. What role does fear play in shaping women’s silence, according to Lorde?

Section B

*Answer **all**. Each question carries **6** Marks.* ***(Ceiling: 36 Marks)***

11. Describe the character of Aunt Bernie both before and after her death. How does Saunders use her transformation to highlight themes of wasted potential and social inequality?
12. How does words help us share experiences?
13. What makes Google Earth an example of a platform rather than a traditional message?

Turn Over

14. Analyse the challenges scientists face in communicating the urgency of climate tipping points to the general public. What strategies could improve public understanding and engagement?
15. Discuss the role of Article 21 in the judgement with reference to dignity and personal liberty.
16. Discuss the role of teaching and education in the promotion of human rights, based on the UDHR preamble.
17. How does the poem "Commute" reflect the alienation of modern urban life? Discuss with reference to imagery and tone.
18. Explain the significance of language in Lorde's essay. How does language transform individual struggles into collective empowerment?

Section C

*Answer **any one**. Each question carries **10** Marks* ***(1x10=10marks)***

19. Examine how does language function as a tool of power and persuasion in media and policy documents.
20. How does Eagleton's discussion of historical and cultural context complicate the definition of literature?

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