

FOURTH SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019

(CUCBCSS—UG)

Common Course—English

ENG 4A 06—SPECTRUM : LITERATURE AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

(2017 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

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

- 1 According to Mariam, the visitor was a ——— sent by God to work miracles for them.
(a) Messenger. (b) Soothsayer.
(c) Oracle. (d) Angel.
- 2 The 'Yellow shore of venom' refers to the quality of Turmeric as ———.
(a) Medicine. (b) Anti-dote.
(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 How old was Emanuelle, when her mother took her to a specialist ?
(a) Nine months. (b) Seven months.
(c) Six months. (d) A Year.
- 5 What was Najab notorious for among his friends ?
(a) Adventures. (b) Confidence.
(c) Diffidence. (d) Brutality.
- 6 What is Warsan Shire's ethnic identity ?
(a) Somali. (b) Egyptian.
(c) Palestinian. (d) British.

Turn over

- 7 Identify the figure of speech : "Feeling the light rain falling like mist/into your hair" :
- (a) Metaphor. (b) Simile.
(c) Metonymy. (d) None of these.
- 8 Which day did Viswanathan select to commit suicide ?
- (a) Independence Day. (b) Republic Day.
(c) Gandhi Jayanti. (d) None of these.
- 9 Who is the author of *The Sorrows of Young Werther* ?
- (a) Aristotle. (b) Shakespeare.
(c) Goethe. (d) None of these.
- 10 In which collection was the poem "No Men Are Foreign" included ?
- (a) No Men Are Foreign. (b) Roses.
(c) The Prodigal son. (d) The Sand Artist.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

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

- 11 What was the reason for Bet's early marriage ?
- 12 What was Alassan's routine after the Subhanamaz ?
- 13 When is prison a safer place ?
- 14 What is described as the worst music ever invented ?
- 15 Why did the narrator explain the game to the white man ?
- 16 Who taught Malala the philosophy of non-violence ?
- 17 Why does the poet tell that the animals need caring ?
- 18 Why did the author's father feel excluded from the world of Emmanuelle and her mother ?
- 19 How does Amanda Michalopoulou define a hero ?
- 20 Why did Alex Punnoose compare Kerala to Comala ?
- 21 What, according to the visitor, can make Alassankutty richer ?
- 22 What is meant by the adjective "Unniyarcha of the subsoil" ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

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

- 23 Najab's adventurous trip across the desert.
- 24 How does the poet suggest that all people on earth are the same in "No Men are Foreign" ?
- 25 How does the poem Death Fugue create a scene of suffering and death ?
- 26 How did the author's parents respond to the tremendous shock that their child was "profoundly deaf" ?
- 27 How does the new visitor tempt Alassan to accept his proposal ?
- 28 How far has the poet succeeded in revealing the importance of turmeric in the Indian Cultural context ?

(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 The adult minds are more racially prejudiced than those of the little ones. Elucidate the statement with reference to "Jamaican Fragment".
- 31 How does Malala Yousafzai vindicate the rights of children for education ?
- 32 Describe how the life of Bet Blevins is like "unprotected waters".

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)