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Fifth Semester

English — Main

CANADIAN LITERATURE

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL the questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Who is called as “The Canadian Wordsworth”?
 - (a) AJM Smith
 - (b) AI Pardy
 - (c) Wilfred Campbell
 - (d) Margaret Atwood

2. The last line of “The Winter Lakes” is _____.
- (a) Shadowy shapes that flee, haunting the spaces white
 - (b) Death and hate on the rocks, as sand ward and landward it roars
 - (c) Lost to summer and life, go to return no more
 - (d) Wan and waste and white, stretch the great lakes away
3. In Alice Munro’s ‘Red Dress’, when the narrator realizes that the boy is not going to continue dancing with her, she is _____.
- (a) happy (b) angry
 - (c) exhausted (d) embarrassed
4. “The Resplendent Quetzal” was written by _____.
- (a) Wilfred Campbell (b) Judith Wright
 - (c) Alice Munro (d) Margaret Atwood
5. The play “Ecstasy of Rita Joe” was set in _____.
- (a) Canada (b) India
 - (c) Australia (d) England

6. Ecstasy can be defined as _____.
- (a) being sorrowful (b) an emotional frenzy
(c) being angry (d) being truthful
7. Caravaggio's was a _____.
- (a) A thief (b) A tar layer
(c) A bridge builder (d) A tunnel worker
8. Nicholas Temelcoff came to America _____.
- (a) Because of the stories told in his hometown
(b) After the Balkan war
(c) After his own father came
(d) To follow the woman who became his wife
9. What is Naomi's profession?
- (a) Teacher (b) Librarian
(c) Nurse (d) Newspaper Writer
10. Who rescued Naomi when she was drowning?
- (a) Stephen (b) Rough Lock Bill
(c) Kenji (d) Obasan

PART B — ($5 \times 5 = 25$ marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Bring out the King's desire in A.J.M. Smith's "Live an Old Proud King in a Parable".

Or

- (b) Give an account on Wilfred Campbell's poem "The Winter Lake".

12. (a) What do Edward and Sarah do to escape from the truth of their marriage?

Or

- (b) Discuss the tragedy of existence in Macleod's "As Birds Brings Forth the Sun".

13. (a) What is the meaning of the title Ecatasy of Rita Joe and how does it relate to the play?

Or

- (b) What type of education did Rita and Jamie most likely received?

14. (a) How is it significant that Patrick ends up in the Garden of the Blind after he bombs the hotel?

Or

- (b) How does Patrick, and the reader, come to know that Alice Gull is the nun who fell off the bridge?
15. (a) Discuss with textual evidence the themes of war and silence in Obasan.

Or

- (b) What is the secret concerning Naomi's mother in Obasan?

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

Answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Critically appreciate A.I. Purdy's poem "Listening to Myself".

Or

- (b) Demonstrate Smith's need for change in the way Canadian poetry is written.

17. (a) Discuss the themes in Atwood's "The Resplendent Quetzal".

Or

- (b) Sketch the character of Myrah in Munro's "The Red Dress".

18. (a) Critically analyze the character of Rita Joe in Ecstasy of Rita Joe.

Or

- (b) Discuss the theme of Cultural Assimilation with relevance to Ecstasy of Rita Joe.

19. (a) Critically analyze the characters of Patrick Lewis, Alice Gull and Nicholas Temelcoff in Ondaatje's In the Skin of a Lion.

Or

- (b) Give the summary of Michael Ondaatje's In the Skin of a Lion.

20. (a) Sketch out the social groups portrayed in Obasan.

Or

- (b) Examine the flashback technique used in Obasan.