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B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
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First Semester

English – Core

INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH

(For those who joined in July 2024 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Who adopted Hachiko?

- (a) Ronnie (b) Jenny  
(c) Marley (d) Parker

2. Why did Rahim Khan beat Ramoo's child?

- (a) playing in his house  
(b) disturbing the sparrow  
(c) for throwing stones at his oxen  
(d) for throwing stones at Rahim

3. According to Buck colonisation has made the Indian \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) enervated and exhausted  
(b) energetic and happy  
(c) bold and frank  
(d) fearless

4. Who was Mr. Giles?

- (a) Headmaster  
(b) Educational inspector  
(c) Class teacher  
(d) Assistant to the inspector

5. According to Toru Dutt the Lotus in the flower that combines the redness of the rose and the paleness of \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Lilac  
(b) Lily  
(c) Cherry blossoms  
(d) Daisy

6. The second section in "Home Coming" is \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Exile (b) Trial  
(c) Home coming (d) Exit





7. The mother in "The Village song" calls the daughter \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) dear (b) loved one  
(c) sweet (d) honey
8. The poet in "Indian Women" compares the long hair to river \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Ganges (b) Mississippi  
(c) Jordan (d) Amazon
9. Mukhthathara is the name of a \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) valley (b) mountain stream  
(c) town (d) village
10. Nalini is a/an \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) painter (b) dancer  
(c) executive (d) musician

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Summarise the story "Hachiko".
- Or
- (b) Bring out the significance of the title "Handful of Nuts".

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12. (a) What does Pearl S. Buck say about the children of the Indian Villages?

Or

- (b) Write a note on the incident that occurred during Mr. Gile's visit when Gandhi was in his first year at school.

13. (a) What does R. Parthasarathy say in the session "Trial" in "Home Coming"?

Or

- (b) How was the dispute of love settled by Flora in "Lotus"?

14. (a) Brief on the daily routine of culturally bound Indian women as depicted in "Indian Women".

Or

- (b) Bring out the longings of a young woman as reflected in "The Village song".

15. (a) How was nature disturbed when the king works with the falls in "Mukhthadhara"?

Or

- (b) Analyse the character of the two young men in "Nalini".

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PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) How does A.K. Ramanujan's "Brother's Day" celebrate the bond between a brother and a sister?

Or

- (b) Sketch the character of Rahim Khan.

17. (a) Write an essay on Buck's personal impression of India in "India through a Traveller's Eyes".

Or

- (b) Discuss Dr. Radhakrishnan's views on science, humanities and religion.

18. (a) Elaborate on the theme of the poem "Home Coming" by R. Parthasarathy.

Or

- (b) Bring out the Indianess in the poem "Night of the Scorpion".

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19. (a) Write an essay on freedom as the Leitmotif in Mahapatra's "Freedom".

Or

- (b) Write a critical appreciation of Ghalib's "It is not Love, It is Madness".

20. (a) Attempt an essay on the theme in Tagore's "Mukhthadhara".

Or

- (b) How does Ezekiel portray the hollow world of young executives and that of Nalini's?

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