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Fourth Semester

English — Core

INDIAN ENGLISH LITERATURE — II

(For those who joined in July 2021 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. In "The emerging world society" Dr. S. Radhakrishnan speaks of man's common origin and common —
(a) Destiny (b) Place of birth
(c) Rebirth (d) Karma
2. Dr. Kalam received the Padma Vibhusan along with Dr. Arunachalam in —
(a) 1991 (b) 1990
(c) 1993 (d) 1994

3. Ramanujan talks about a man who came back to this house in body alone. Where was his body found?

(a) Sahara (b) Kalahari
(c) Nile (d) Arabian Desert

4. Emice de Souza exposes — faith in India in "Catholic Mother"

(a) Protestant (b) Anglican
(c) Catholic (d) Hindu

5. Rauf hired — a promising design consultant in "Unfaithful Servants"

(a) Uaan (b) Luaf
(c) Tiaan (d) Holos

6. — is the 90 year-old great-grand-mother of Ratna in "The Remains of a Feast"

(a) Sita (b) Rukmini
(c) Kurudauva (d) Rani

7. The play "Hayavadana" was set in —

(a) Sivapura (b) Dharmapura
(c) Kurukshetra (d) Dharmashala

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8. Devadatta was ready to sacrifice his head and arms to marry _____
 (a) Padmini (b) Rukmini
 (c) Rani (d) Ratna
9. _____ is the novel's protagonist in "such a long journey"
 (a) Gustad Noble (b) Dishanji
 (c) William Noble (d) Dilnavaz
10. Narivdar is a _____ in "The year of the Runaways"
 (a) Indian Sikh woman
 (b) British woman
 (c) British Sikh woman
 (d) Canadian

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Comment on Swami Vivekananda's path towards universal brotherhood.
 Or
 (b) What are the dangers that threaten world peace and stability in Dr. Radhakrishnan's "The emerging world society"

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12. (a) Analyse the outcome of patriarchal practices in "Catholic Mother"

Or

- (b) Comment on the pain of exile in "post card from Kashmir"
13. (a) Write a short note on the role played by 'Holos' or phantom ghosts in "Unfaithful Servants"

Or

- (b) Comment on the friendship between the grandmother and grandson in "The Portrait of a Lady"
14. (a) What is the inspiration of "Hayavadana"?

Or

- (b) What is the theme of imperfection in "Hayavadana"?
15. (a) Analyse the traditional versus modern in "Such a Long Journey"

Or

- (b) Comment on the life of Tochi in Sheffield.

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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) Analyse Dr. Kalam's decision to write down his memories.

Or

- (b) Amartya Sen believes "Silence is a powerful enemy of social justice" – Discuss.

17. (a) How is the role of women in taken for granted and overshadowed by the male-dominated society in Eunice de Souza's "Catholic Mother"

Or

- (b) Describe the profound emotions repentance and pathos in "Death of a Bird"

18. (a) Analyse the condition of woman, especially elderly widows in "The Remains of a Feast"

Or

- (b) Discuss the relevance of the title "The Portrait of a Lady"

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19. (a) Critically analyse Identity, hybridity and incompleteness in "Hayavadana"

Or

- (b) Attempt a character sketch of Hayavadana.

20. (a) Compare and contrast religion and superstition in "Such a Long Journey"

Or

- (b) How does Sheffield become a paradoxical status symbol and a source of discontent to the characters in "The year of the Runaways"

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