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English

Elective — COMMON WEALTH LITERATURE

(For those who joined in July 2016 and afterwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Derek Walcott compares _____ to a great house in ruins.
- (a) Carribean Island
(b) America
(c) England
(d) France

2. The harp sings in praise of _____.
(a) King (b) God
(c) Godden (d) Time
3. Deepak is Mala's _____.
(a) brother (b) uncle
(c) boyfriend (d) cousin
4. Indian stole his brother's _____.
(a) clothes (b) wrist-watch
(c) ring (d) cap
5. Stain Parker plans to develop the acreage into a/an _____.
(a) industry (b) farm
(c) restaurant (d) hospital
6. Colonel Bharucha in Lenny's _____.
(a) lawyer (b) teacher
(c) doctor (d) priest
7. Who was Morag Gunn's first lover?
(a) Jules Tonneve (b) Brooke Skelton
(c) Christie Logan (d) Piper Gunn

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8. Nnu Ego starts selling _____.
 (a) vegetables (b) cigarette
 (c) fruits (d) icecream
9. Chinua Achebe's seminal novel is _____.
 (a) *Things Fall Apart*
 (b) *Arrow of God*
 (c) *No Longer at Ease*
 (d) A Man of the people
10. The forests of Central India are the homeland to millions of _____ people.
 (a) indigenous (b) native
 (c) elite (d) illiterate

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 time and its effect as expressed in "The Harp and the King".
- Or
- (b) Bring out the emotions experienced by the parent in "My Daughter's Boyfriend".

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12. (a) What is the part played by Shanta in *Thirty Days in September*?

Or

- (b) How does Ryga characterize anonymous "Indian"?

13. (a) Comment on Patrick White's use of symbols in *The Tree of Man*.

Or

- (b) Describe the relationship of between Ice Candy Man and the Hindu Ayah.

14. (a) Bring out the autobiographical elements in *The Diviners*.

Or

- (b) Describe Nnu Ego's life with Nnaife.

15. (a) Comment on Achebe's views on African writers.

Or

- (b) What are the obstacles faced by the comrades, according to Arundhati Roy?

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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) Comment on Derek Walcott's description of an old house that has been destroyed in "Ruins of a Great House".

Or

- (b) Attempt a critique of the poem "Judas".

17. (a) Trace the traumatic memories of Mala in *Thirty Days in September*.

Or

- (b) Examine the appropriateness of the title *Indian*.

18. (a) Bring out the trials and tribulations of the Parker family in *The Tree of Man*.

Or

- (b) Discuss Bapsi Sidhwa's depiction of parsee community in *Ice Candy Man*.

19. (a) Examine the theme of search for identity in Margaret Laurence's *The Diviners*.

Or

- (b) Discuss Emecheta's portrayal of Nnu Ego in *The Joys of Motherhood*.

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20. (a) Give an account of Achebe's reflection on the African novels.

Or

- (b) How does Arundhati Roy defend the insurgents in "Walking with Comrades"?

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