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Part III — English — Main

INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH

(For those who joined in July 2016 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Where was Gandhiji born?
(a) South Africa (b) Delhi
(c) Porbandar (d) Bombay
2. Nehru asks the people of India to _____ themselves to the service of India and to the service of the whole mankind.
(a) save (b) dedicate
(c) fickle (d) recreant

3. Why does Sammy initially refuse to leave the parking lot in Peewauket?
(a) He is a lazy child and hates walking
(b) He is merely displaying defiance towards Dicey
(c) He likes playing in the mall
(d) He refuses to believe Momma
4. The Travellers fall into an argument over how to cross a _____.
(a) river (b) desert
(c) forest (d) road
5. Arun is a _____ year-old boy.
(a) 10 (b) 13
(c) 12 (d) 11
6. _____ was the real name of Sulekha.
(a) Chamba (b) Bholi
(c) Mangala (d) Radha
7. Silence! The Court is in Session is a _____ play.
(a) two-act (b) one-act
(c) three-act (d) five-act



8. The magician used hypnotism to cut off _____.
 (a) finger (b) tongue
 (c) leg (d) hand
9. Mulk Raj Anand's *Untouchable* was published in _____.
 (a) 1934 (b) 1935
 (c) 1933 (d) 1936
10. What is the name of Bakha's town?
 (a) Calcutta (b) Bulashah
 (c) Pune (d) Peshawar

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Discuss the roots of Gandhi's personal philosophy.
 Or
 (b) Write a short note on Rajaji's strange dream.

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12. (a) Describe the village people's superstitious beliefs.

Or

- (b) Write a short note on A.K. Ramanujan's poem.

13. (a) Sketch the character of Arun.

Or

- (b) Fate had been too cruel with Bholi-Explain.

14. (a) Sketch the character of Benare.

Or

- (b) Sketch the character of Samant.

15. (a) Explain how Bakha is the hero of the novel, *Untouchable*.

Or

- (b) Comment on the theme of social alienation in *Untouchable*.

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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) Was Gandhi primarily a political figure, or a social reformer? Defend your answer.

Or

- (b) Write an essay on Singh's 'The Portrait of a Lady'.

17. (a) What did Parthasarthy say about past in his poem?

Or

- (b) Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'Night of the Scorpion'.

18. (a) Sketch the character of Hamid.

Or

- (b) Narrate briefly the story "An Astrologer's Day".

19. (a) Write an essay on the themes of the play *Silence! The Court is in Session*.

Or

- (b) Write about Tendulkar's dramatic techniques.

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20. (a) Discuss the plot and the theme of Mulk Raj Anand's *Untouchable*.

Or

- (b) How does Mulk Raj Anand portray the low class people in *Untouchable*?

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