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English — Main

INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH – I

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. "Tryst with Destiny" is a speech on

- (a) India's Independence
- (b) Indian History
- (c) Indian Education
- (d) Social Inequality

2. Ray Johnson looked upon the huge pipal tree as

- (a) God
- (b) a friend
- (c) a beautiful girl
- (d) symbol of hope

3. The mother thanked God because the scorpion

- (a) had stung her
- (b) spared her children
- (c) didn't bite the father
- (d) had hurried away

4. The ancestral house in Ramanujan's poem represents

- (a) Western culture
- (b) Tamil culture
- (c) Malabar culture
- (d) Great Indian culture

5. The Astrologer carried in his mind the guilt of murdering _____

- (a) the author
- (b) Ram Nayak
- (c) Guru Nayak
- (d) Himself

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6. Arun confronts a woman on platform no 8 of ——— railway station.
- (a) Simla (b) Darjeeling
(c) Ambala (d) Cuttak
7. Leela Benare faces the mock-trial for her guilt of ———
- (a) Murder (b) Adultery
(c) Forgery (d) Theft
8. Who was the Inter – failed, self – syled scientist?
- (a) Ponkshe (b) Sukhatme
(c) Kashikar (d) Karnik
9. Untouchable portrays the life of Bakha in ———.
- (a) One week
(b) One month
(c) One day
(d) One year
10. Charat singh presented ——— to bakha.
- (a) Cricket Bat
(b) Hockey stick
(c) Chess board
(d) Football

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) What is Gandhi's concept of non-violence?
- Or
- (b) What message does Rajagopalachari drive home in "Tree speaks"?
12. (a) How does Nissim Ezekiel expose the superstitions of the villagers?
- Or
- (b) Comment on the theme in "The old play house".
13. (a) Trace the kinship between Arun and the woman on platform 8.
- Or
- (b) How does the Astrologer relieve himself from the plot of Guru Nayak?
14. (a) Examine the various witnesses against Leela Benare.
- Or
- (b) Analyse Vijay Tendulkar's dramatic techniques.



15. (a) Trace the life of Bakha before his father's death.

Or

- (b) Describe the role of Charat singh in untouchable.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Summarize Gandhi's views in the Gospel of Non-violence".

Or

- (b) Analyse the essence of Nehru's speech "Tryst with destiny".

17. (a) Comment on Tagore's philosophy in "The Tame Bird was in a cage".

Or

- (b) Evaluate Ramanujan's reflections on his great ancestral house.

18. (a) Explain the central theme in Prem Chand's "Idgah".

Or

- (b) Write an essay on Narayan's humanism as revealed in "Astrologer's Day".

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19. (a) Sketch the character of Leela Benare.

Or

- (b) "Silence! The court is in session is a strange blend of farcical and serious elements" – Elucidate.

20. (a) Critically analyse the themes in untouchable.

Or

- (b) Narrate the events in the life of Bakha after his death.

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