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M.A. (IVth Semester) Examination, 2020

ENGLISH

(Indian Writing in English - II)

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 70

SECTION - A

Note : Attempt any ten questions. Each question carries one mark. **10×1=10**

Q. 1. Objective type questions. (Fill in the blanks with the suitable word given in the bracket) :

- (i) The Rig Vedic hymns express _____ at the beauties of nature. (wonder/satisfaction)
- (ii) The Bhagwad Gita has _____ chapters. (fifteen/eighteen)
- (iii) 'Cry, the Peacock' is the _____ novel of Anita Desai. (second/first)

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- (iv) In the novel 'God of Small Things' _____ plays a very important role. (religion/caste)
- (v) The word 'ignited' is related with _____. (fire/water)

Multiple choice based questions :

Choose the correct answer :

- (vi) 'The Present Crisis of Faith' talks about interaction between :
 - (a) Two civilizations
 - (b) Religion and science
 - (c) Man and nature
- (vii) Jawaharlal Nehru was :
 - (a) A theist
 - (b) An atheist
 - (c) An agnostic

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(viii) Tagore in his poem appears to talk to God

in :

- (a) An indifferent way
- (b) An intimate way
- (c) A distant way

(ix) The story of 'God of Small Things' is set in :

- (a) Karnataka
- (b) Kerala
- (c) Bihar

(x) 'Premchand' is a pseudonym which means :

- (a) Real name
- (b) Pen name
- (c) Father's name

(xi) Another name of Indian Writing in English is :

- (a) Anglo-Indian literature
- (b) Indo-Anglian literature
- (c) British Indian literature

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(xii) 'The Miser' has been written by :

- (a) R.K. Narayan
- (b) Rabindranath Tagore
- (c) Mulk Raj Anand

SECTION - B

Note : Answer any five of the following questions in about 25-30 words. **2×5=10**

Q. 2. Very short answer type questions :

- (i) Describe the Rig Vedic hymns as Jawaharlal Nehru understands them.
- (ii) Write a note on 'Materialism' as described by Nehru.
- (iii) What do you mean by the term 'ignited mind' ?
- (iv) Describe two experiments of Mahatma Gandhi.

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- (v) Write a note on the relationship between Tagore and God.
- (vi) What do you mean by the phrase 'crisis of faith' ?
- (vii) Describe the autobiographical elements in the poem 'Introduction'.

SECTION - C

Note : Answer any five of the following questions in 250 words. **4×5=20**

Q. 3. Short answer type questions :

- (i) Write an essay on Nehru as a historian of Indian culture.
- (ii) Examine the causes of the crisis of faith as you find in Dr. S. Radhakrishnan's essay.
- (iii) Write an essay on the main ideas of the book 'The Ignited Mind.'

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- (iv) Describe Tagore as a spiritual poet.
- (v) Write an essay on the Indian middle class life of India as you find in the novel 'The Dark Holds No Terror'.
- (vi) Write an essay on the thematic aspects of the novel 'Karmabhoomi'.
- (vii) Write an essay on Anita Desai as a novelist.

SECTION - D

Note : Answer any three of the following questions in about 500 words. **3×10=30**

Q. 4. Essay type questions :

- (i) Critically examine 'The Ignited Mind' as a work of inspiration and motivation.

OR

Write an essay on the experiments of Mahatma Gandhi.

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- (ii) Write a critical essay on Shashi Deshpande as a novelist.

OR

Write a critical essay on Anita Desai as a novelist.

- (iii) Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'Introduction'.

OR

Critically assess Kamla Das as a feminist poetess.

- (iv) Write a critical essay on the thematic aspects of the novel 'God of Small Things'.

OR

Critically assess the Indianness which you find in the novel 'Karmabhoomi.'

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