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**FOURTH SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION
APRIL 2023**

English (B.A./B.Sc.)

ENG 4A 06—SPECTRUM : LITERATURE AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

(2017—2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer *all* the following questions by choosing the correct answer :

- 1 Who is the author of *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man* ?
 - a) Aristotle.
 - b) Goethe.
 - c) Shakespeare.
 - d) James Joyce.
- 2 In which novel is Comala a town of the dead ?
 - a) *Wuthering Heights*.
 - b) *Pedro Paramo*.
 - c) *The Feast of the Goat*.
 - d) *None of these*.
- 3 According to Mariam, the visitor was a _____ sent by God to work miracles for them.
 - a) Messenger.
 - b) Soothsayer.
 - c) Oracle.
 - d) Angel.
- 4 What is Warsan Shire's ethnic identity ?
 - a) Somali.
 - b) Egyptian.
 - c) Palestinian.
 - d) British.
- 5 What was Kaley Shah's profession ?
 - a) Money lender.
 - b) Cloth seller.
 - c) Trader.
 - d) Illegal Businessman.
- 6 Identify the figure of speech : "Beneath all uniforms, a single body breathes."
 - a) Metaphor.
 - b) Simile.
 - c) Metonymy.
 - d) Synecdoche.

Turn over

- 21 Who taught Malala the philosophy of non-violence ?
22 In what condition does the poet see the dogs and the horses in the street ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a *paragraph* of 100 words each :

- 23 Discuss the aspects of globalization referred to in the poem “Turmeric”.
24 What all arguments does Mariam make to convince Bapa of accepting the new proposal ?
25 Bring out the horror that creates displacement as depicted by Warsan Shire.
26 Why does Malala consider, ‘the Pen is mightier than the Sword’ ?
27 Suffering as a theme in “Death Fugue”.
28 How did the author’s parents respond to the tremendous shock that their child was “profoundly deaf” ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Write essays in 300 words each on any *two* of the following questions :

- 29 Describe briefly Viswanathan’s journey which led him to the realization that every human being is a debtor.
30 Bet Blevins is a character who takes “comfort from enduring”. Discuss.
31 Examine “Home” as a powerful critique of the refugee crisis.
32 The adult minds are more racially prejudiced than those of the little ones. Elucidate the statement with reference to “Jamaican Fragment”.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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I. Answer all the following questions by choosing the correct answer. Each question carries 1 mark :

1 Which Character washes up on the Island of Phaeacians during his journey to Ithaca ?

- (a) Hamlet. (b) Odysseus.
(c) Stephen Dedalus. (d) Don Quixote

2 Who is Viswanathan's wife ?

- (a) Radha. (b) Seetha.
(c) Manju. (d) Maya.

3 What does Mariam bring along with the tea for the visitor ?

- (a) Halwa.
(b) Small Rolls of Boiled Riped Nentrappazham.
(c) Boiled Eggs.
(d) None of these.

4 What did the urban beauty smuggle ?

- (a) Ivory. (b) Gold.
(c) Values. (d) Culture.

5 Whose opera is described in "What work is" as the one 'you hate most' ?

- (a) Wagner's. (b) Tucker's.
(c) Domingo's. (d) None of these.

Turn over

- 6 Where did Najab sleep in the evening before slipping into Fatimah's room late at night ?
- (a) Stable. (b) Cattle Shed.
(c) Inside a car. (d) None of these.
- 7 Where are the speaker/s of the poem "Death Fugue" digging a grave ?
- (a) Sky. (b) Earth.
(c) Water. (d) None of these.
- 8 The narrator of "Jamaican Fragment" went for a walk everyday from his home to _____.
- (a) The tramcar lines. (b) Bus station.
(c) The coffee shop. (d) The office.
- 9 Malala got the Nobel Prize for peace at the age of _____.
- (a) 11. (b) 14.
(c) 16. (d) 17.
- 10 According to Silkin, animals are our _____.
- (a) Friends. (b) Ghosts.
(c) Enemies. (d) Playmates.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* of the following questions in two or three sentences. Each question carries 2 marks :

- 11 How did Odysseus appear to Nausicaa and her companions when he landed on the island of Phaeacians ?
- 12 How did Kundoor Viswanathan attract media attention ?
- 13 What according to the visitor can make Alassankutty richer ?
- 14 How does the poet describe the current status of Turmeric ?
- 15 How does Philip Levi define waiting ?
- 16 How is Fatima described in the story ?

- 17 Why is it said that no men are strange ?
- 18 What is the symbolism in “Black milk of daybreak” ?
- 19 How did Malala greet the General Assembly of the UN ?
- 20 Whom does Jon Silkin ask whether to care for animals ?
- 21 Who is the protagonist of the story “Average Waves in Unprotected Water” ?
- 22 How does the author explain the phonetic similarity between muette and mouette in French ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words. Each question carries 5 marks :

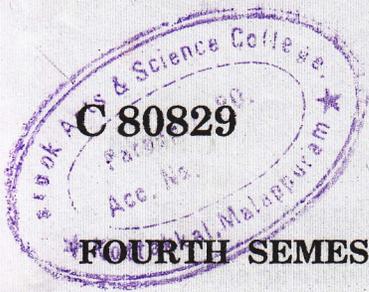
- 23 Odysseus as a prototype of the modern refugee. Explain.
- 24 Why was Mariam thrilled at the new prospect ?
- 25 How does Levine describe ‘work’ in the poem ?
- 26 Describe the legend of Panchmai Pir.
- 27 Explain suffering as a theme in “Death Fugue”.
- 28 What was Malala’s speech about ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Write essays on any *two* of the following questions in 300 words. Each question carries 15 marks :

- 29 Examine how Santhosh Echikkanam portrays an unsympathetic society in “Comala”.
- 30 Consider “No Men Are Foreign” as a poem that preaches universal love.
- 31 The adult minds are more racially prejudiced than those of the little ones. Elucidate the statement with reference to “Jamaican Fragment”.
- 32 Describe how the life of Bet Blevins is like “unprotected waters”.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)



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English

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Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer *all* the following questions by choosing the correct answer :

1 Who is the author of Friday, the Other Island ?

- (a) Aristotle. (b) Shakespeare.
(c) Michel Tournier. (d) None of these.

2 The term Yellow shore refers to the quality of Turmeric as a _____.

- (a) Medicine. (b) Antidote.
(c) Cosmetic. (d) Ingredient in curries.

3 Malala wanted people to empower themselves with _____.

- (a) Arms and ammunitions. (b) Peaceful coexistence.
(c) Terrorism. (d) The weapon of knowledge.

4 Who was the author of Petro Paramo ?

- (a) Mario Vargas Llosa. (b) Rulfo.
(c) Gabriel Garcia Marquez. (d) Jorge Luis Borges.

5 Who thought that Emannuelle's mother was crazy ?

- (a) The therapist. (b) The counsellor.
(c) The Paediatrician. (d) Her father's elder brother.

6 What was Najab notorious for among his friends ?

- (a) Adventures. (b) Confidence.
(c) Diffidence. (d) Brutality.

7 Who is Viswanathan's wife ?

- (a) Radha. (b) Seetha.
(c) Manju. (d) Maya.

Turn over

- 8 What is the meaning of the word Vulpine ?
- (a) Characteristic of a fox. (b) Animal with calm nature.
(c) Feature of a pig. (d) None of these.
- 9 Who is the woman with ashen hair ?
- (a) Shulamith. (b) Margarete.
(c) Both. (d) None of these.
- 10 What career did the man suggest for Alassankutty ?
- (a) Sheep rearing. (b) Fish farming.
(c) Job abroad. (d) Tailoring.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* of the following questions in two or three sentences :

- 11 What happens if we leave the treatment of refugee crisis to the mass media ?
- 12 What is the poem "Turmeric" about ?
- 13 When is prison a safer place ?
- 14 Why is it said that no country is foreign ?
- 15 How is a worker's stubbornness defined ?
- 16 What does Viswan realize as he finishes reading the novel ?
- 17 What lie does Najab tell Kaley Shah when he visits his place alone ?
- 18 What happens when we take arms against each other ?
- 19 What advice does Mariam give to Allasan pressing his hands to her chest ?
- 20 How can the human animal experience love ?
- 21 Who is Martin Luther King Jr ?
- 22 Why was Bet grateful to the little blgck lady in the train ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a *paragraph* of 100 words :

- 23 How does Amanda Michalopoulou establish that fiction teaches us to accept differences ?
- 24 Comment on Daruwalla's description of Nature in the story.

- 25 The agonizing experiences of Emmanuelle's parents before they confirmed her defect.
- 26 The narrative style of Hendricks' essay.
- 27 How does the new visitor tempt Alassan to accept his proposal ?
- 28 The traditional uses and significance of turmeric as given in Satchidanandan's poem.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Write essays on any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

- 29 Examine how Santhosh Eachikkanam portrays an unsympathetic society in "Comala".
- 30 "One child, one teacher, one book and one pen can change the world". How convincing are the words of Malala Yousafzai ?
- 31 How does Paul Celan capture the intense tragic experience of the holocaust in "Death Fugue" ?
- 32 Examine "Home" as a powerful critique of the refugee crisis.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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FOURTH SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019

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Common Course—English

ENG 4A 06—SPECTRUM : LITERATURE AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

(2017 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer *all* the following questions by choosing the correct answer :

- 1 According to Mariam, the visitor was a _____ sent by God to work miracles for them.
(a) Messenger. (b) Soothsayer.
(c) Oracle. (d) Angel.
- 2 The 'Yellow shore of venom' refers to the quality of Turmeric as _____.
(a) Medicine. (b) Anti-dote.
(c) Cosmetic. (d) Ingredient in curries.
- 3 Malala wanted people to empower themselves with _____.
(a) Arms and ammunitions. (b) Peaceful coexistence.
(c) Terrorism. (d) The weapon of knowledge.
- 4 How old was Emanuelle, when her mother took her to a specialist ?
(a) Nine months. (b) Seven months.
(c) Six months. (d) A Year.
- 5 What was Najab notorious for among his friends ?
(a) Adventures. (b) Confidence.
(c) Diffidence. (d) Brutality.
- 6 What is Warsan Shire's ethnic identity ?
(a) Somali. (b) Egyptian.
(c) Palestinian. (d) British.

Turn over

- 7 Identify the figure of speech : "Feeling the light rain falling like mist/into your hair" :
- (a) Metaphor. (b) Simile.
(c) Metonymy. (d) None of these.
- 8 Which day did Viswanathan select to commit suicide ?
- (a) Independence Day. (b) Republic Day.
(c) Gandhi Jayanti. (d) None of these.
- 9 Who is the author of *The Sorrows of Young Werther* ?
- (a) Aristotle. (b) Shakespeare.
(c) Goethe. (d) None of these.
- 10 In which collection was the poem "No Men Are Foreign" included ?
- (a) No Men Are Foreign. (b) Roses.
(c) The Prodigal son. (d) The Sand Artist.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* of the following questions in two or three sentences :

- 11 What was the reason for Bet's early marriage ?
- 12 What was Alassan's routine after the Subhanamaz ?
- 13 When is prison a safer place ?
- 14 What is described as the worst music ever invented ?
- 15 Why did the narrator explain the game to the white man ?
- 16 Who taught Malala the philosophy of non-violence ?
- 17 Why does the poet tell that the animals need caring ?
- 18 Why did the author's father feel excluded from the world of Emmanuelle and her mother ?
- 19 How does Amanda Michalopoulou define a hero ?
- 20 Why did Alex Punnoose compare Kerala to Comala ?
- 21 What, according to the visitor, can make Alassankutty richer ?
- 22 What is meant by the adjective "Unniyarcha of the subsoil" ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :

- 23 Najab's adventurous trip across the desert.
- 24 How does the poet suggest that all people on earth are the same in "No Men are Foreign" ?
- 25 How does the poem Death Fugue create a scene of suffering and death ?
- 26 How did the author's parents respond to the tremendous shock that their child was "profoundly deaf" ?
- 27 How does the new visitor tempt Alassan to accept his proposal ?
- 28 How far has the poet succeeded in revealing the importance of turmeric in the Indian Cultural context ?

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IV. Write essays on any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

- 29 Examine how Santhosh Eachikkanam portrays an unsympathetic society in "Comala".
- 30 The adult minds are more racially prejudiced than those of the little ones. Elucidate the statement with reference to "Jamaican Fragment".
- 31 How does Malala Yousafzai vindicate the rights of children for education ?
- 32 Describe how the life of Bet Blevins is like "unprotected waters".

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