

MA ENGLISH
SECOND SEMESTER
INDIAN LITERATURE IN ENGLISH
MEN-201
[USE OMR SHEET FOR OBJECTIVE PART]

**SET
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Duration: 3 hrs.

Full Marks: 70

(Objective)

Time: 30 mins.

Marks: 20

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1 × 20 = 20

1. Girish Karnad composed Nagamandala based on two oral folktales from the state of
 - a. West Bengal
 - b. Orissa
 - c. Tamil Nadu
 - d. Karnataka
2. What was Raju's initial occupation?
 - a. Tourist guide
 - b. Research Guide
 - c. Archaeologist
 - d. Dancer
3. Who is the mother of Aadam Sinai?
 - a. Vanita
 - b. Parvati
 - c. Mary
 - d. Durga
4. How did Sophie Mol die?
 - a. She was accidentally killed by Velutha
 - b. She drowned in the river
 - c. She was accidentally killed by her cousins
 - d. She was poisoned
5. The character Ghasiram Kotwal is described as a Brahman from..... who settled in Poona.
 - a. Rameshwaram
 - b. Tanjore
 - c. Kannauj
 - d. Banaras
6. Toru Dutt's Our Casuarina Tree was written in memory of.....
 - a. Her Brother
 - b. Her Sister
 - c. Her Siblings
 - d. The casuarina tree
7. Kamala Das' collection of poems Summer in Calcutta was published in the year.....
 - a. 1965
 - b. 1975
 - c. 1985
 - d. 1995
8. In the poem My Grandmother's House, what is compared to a brooding dog?
 - a. The emptiness of the house
 - b. The darkness of the house
 - c. The silence of the house
 - d. None of the given
9. Which is the season that the poet speaks about in "The Season of Plains"?
 - a. Summer
 - b. Monsoon
 - c. Autumn
 - d. Spring

10. What is the meaning of the term "lungterok"?
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| a. Hill People | b. Six Stones |
| c. Six Villages | d. Nature |
11. In the play, Nagamandala, which of the following characters is blind?
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| a. Kurudavva | b. Appanna |
| c. Kappanna | d. The Playwright |
12. R.K. Narayan's The Guide was published in the year.....
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| a. 1958 | b. 1978 |
| c. 1998 | d. 2008 |
13. Salman Rushdie's Midnight Children won the Booker Prize for the year.....
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| a. 1971 | b. 1981 |
| c. 1991 | d. 2001 |
14. What is the name of Mammachi's factory?
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| a. Eden Preserve and Pickles | b. Paradise Pickles and Preserve |
| c. Aymenem Jams and Pickles | d. Mammachi's Pickles and Preserve |
15. Which of the following is not used in the play Ghasiram Kotwal?
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| a. Lavani | b. Abhanga |
| c. Koli Dance | d. Tamasha |
16. The Fakeer of Jhungeera: A Metrical Tale and Other Poems was written by:
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| a. Henry Derozio | b. Rabindranath Tagore |
| c. Toru Dutt | d. Sarojini Naidu |
17. Rabindranath Tagore was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in.....
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| a. 1910 | b. 1912 |
| c. 1913 | d. 1914 |
18. In the poem "A Hot Noon in Malabar", whose experienced eyes are described?
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| a. The Beggars | b. The Bangle-Sellers |
| c. The Hill-Men with the tarot cards | d. The Kuravva Girls |
19. In "The Season of Plains", the speaker's mother is described as listening to.....
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| a. Ghazal | b. Thumri |
| c. Bhajan | d. Hari-katha |
20. In Agha Shahid Ali's poem, "Snowmen", the speaker's ancestor arrived to Kashmir from.....
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| a. Cairo | b. Samarkand |
| c. Kabul | d. Mongolia |

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(Descriptive)

Time : 2 hr. 30 mins.

Marks : 50

[Answer question no.1 & any four (4) from the rest]

1. Write a critical appreciation of *any one* of the following poems: 10
Gitanjali- Where the Mind is Without Fear
Our Casuarina Tree
The Season of Plains
Snow Men
2. Comment on the major themes of Karnad's Nagamandala. 5+5=10
3. Elaborate on the relationship between Raju and Rosie from your reading of R.K.Narayan's The Guide. 5+5=10
Or
Give a description of Raju's childhood years from your reading of The Guide.
4. How does Robert J Young describe the concept and nature of postcolonialism? 5+5=10
Or
Write a note on the historical process of the introduction of English Studies in British India.
5. Discuss how the patriarchal system and the rigid social structure led to the oppression of different characters in Arundhati Roy's The God of Small Things. 6+4=10
6. Salman Rushdie's novel Midnight's Children documents the history of Independent India in a novelistic form. Discuss. 10
7. Write short notes on the following: 5+5=10
a) The Opening Scene of Ghasiram Kotwal
b) Dramatic Elements in Ghasiram Kotwal
8. Explain the role of memory in Kamala Das's poetry. 10
Or
Temsula Ao's poem reflect an intimate relationship between man and nature. Explain from your reading of the poem "Stone People from Lungterok".

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