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Bachelor's Degree Examination – May 2024
II Semester

Class : I UG
Major : All Majors

Time : 3 Hours
Max. Marks : 100

23BENGE2B Generic Elective – II : British Literature

Course outcomes:

1. Understand English literary cultures from the Renaissance to the present
2. Develop an understanding of different forms and types of British Literature through exposure to texts that highlight both compliance and contest to tradition
3. Appreciate and analyze the texts in the larger socio-political and religious contexts of the time
4. Demonstrate an awareness of nuances of the English language and its varieties
5. Extend the knowledge of life in literature (say of animals, environment, gender, politics, nationalities, personal and ideological differences) to life and living situations

Part A

10 x 1 =10

Choose the Correct Answer

1. *Animal Farm* is a
a. satirical novel
b. satirical allegorical novella
c. realistic novel
d. detective fiction
CO3K1
2. Who reduces the ideals of Animalism to the phrase "Four legs good, two legs bad"?
a. Snowball
b. Napoleon
c. Squealer
d. Boxer
CO3K2
3. What Russian Institution does the raven Moses evoke?
a. The Secret Police
b. The Congress
c. The Russian Orthodox Church
d. The Education System
CO3K4
4. The Frost painted all the trees----- in the story "The Selfish Giant".
a. Pink
b. gold
c. white
d. silver
CO5K2
5. An angel announces the birth of Jesus to a
a. group of children
b. group of women
c. group of shepherds
d. Jewish woman Mary
CO3 K1
6. George Orwell was the pen name of
a. Arthur Blair
b. Eric Arthur Blair
c. George Blair
d. Blair Bloom
CO3K1
7. William Wordsworth was one of the ----- poets.
a. Metaphysical
b. Romantic
c. Confessional
d. Victorian
CO2K1
8. "I saw her singing at work and o'er the-----". Complete the line in the poem "The Solitary Reaper".
a. drying seeds
b. cutting grass
c. sickle bending
d. shepherding
CO2K2
9. "To serve therewith my Maker". Here the 'Maker' refers to
a. Milton
b. writing skill
c. Satan
d. God Almighty
CO5K2
10. The play *Riders to the Sea* is set in
a. Dublin
b. The Irish Countryside
c. London
d. One of the Aran Islands off the coast of Ireland
CO3K1

Part B

5 x 6 = 30

Answer ALL questions

Each answer should not exceed 400 words or two pages

- 11.a. Write about the central theme of the play *Riders to the Sea*. CO3K2
(or)
11. b. Write the biographical details of John Milton. CO1K1
12. a. What did the giant do to prevent children from playing in the garden? CO5K1
(or)
- 12.b. Estimate the character of Bartley in *Riders to the Sea*. CO5K5
- 13.a. How did the Burmese show their hatred towards the Europeans? CO3K2
(or)
- 13.b. Who do Jessie and Bluebell represent in *Animal Farm*? CO3K2
- 14.a. How does the author describe the elephant and its doings? CO5K2
(or)
- 14.b. What does T S. Eliot ultimately convey through the poem
"To the Indians who Died in Africa"? Co2 k4
- 15.a. "Neither you nor we know until the judgment after death what is the
fruit of action". Explain CO5K4
(or)
- 15.b. "The only people who were pleased were the Snow and the Frost". Explain. CO5K4

Part C

5 x 12 = 60

Answer ALL questions

Each answer should not exceed 800 words or four pages

16. a. Write a critical appreciation of the poem "The Solitary Reaper" CO2K4
(or)
- 16.b. "A man's destination is not his destiny" – explain with reference to the
poem "To the Indians who Died in Africa". CO5K4
- 17.a. "God doth not need / Either man's work or his own gifts;
who best / Bear his mild yoke, . they serve him best". Explain. CO5K4
(or)
- 17.b. Narrate the experience of the police officer in Burma during
British occupation. CO5K2
- 18.a. Describe Dickens' recollection of memories of Christmas season's
celebrations. CO1K1
(or)
- 18.b. Elucidate the symbolism inherent in the characters' names in *Animal Farm*. CO3K4
- 19.a. "Education should indeed responsive to the needs of the society". Discuss. CO3K4
(or)
- 19.b. Significance of the title *Riders to the Sea*. CO3K4
- 20.a. Evaluate Terry Eagleton's views on the essential requirements of the
University. CO3K4
(or)
- 20.b. Lives and beliefs of the people of Aran Islands as presented in the play
Riders to the Sea. Discuss. CO5K2