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FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

Third Semester MA English Degree Examination, November 2019 MENG3E19 – Women's Writing

(2018 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Weightage: 36

. Answer all the following questions in a word, phrase or sentence.

- Who was Bangalore Nagaratnamma?
- In which language was 'The Laugh of the Medusa' originally written?
- 3. Why are the candles called liars in the poem 'Mirror'?
- 4. Describe the song of the caged bird.
- 5. What are the names of Celie's children?
- 6. Name the friend who motivates Jaya to break her silence?
- 7. What is the occasion for the party at the beginning of *Top Girls*?
- 8. How did Brati Chatterjee die?

 $(8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4 \text{ weightage})$

II. Answer any six of the following in a paragraph of about 150 words each.

- 9. The postcolonial female subject, as anlysed by Rajeswari Sunder Rajan.
- 10. Muddupalani's Radhika Santwanam.
- 11. Irony in Emily Dickinson's poem.
- 12. The note of disillusionment in Kamala Das poems.
- 13. The prayer to Aphrodite.
- 14. The bee imagery in the poem 'Stings'.
- 15. The female landscape in Adrienne Rich's poetry.
- 16. Folkspants Unlimited
- 17. Womanism
- 18. The political background of Mother of 1084.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

III. Write essays of 450 words each on any four of the following, choosing one from each section.

Section A

- 19. "When I write, it's everything that we don't know we can be that is written out of m without exclusions, without stipulation..." Elucidate this concluding statement in the light of Cixous' views expressed in 'The Laugh of the Medusa'.
- 20. Comment on the note of dissent in Spivak's essay.
- 21. How do Susie Tharu and K Lalitha evaluate the work of American feminist critics in recovering women's voices in literature?

Section B

- 22. Make an assessment of Kamala Das and Sylvia Plath as confessional poets.
- 23. What does the author tell her book in Anne Bradstreet's poem?
- 24. Comment on the challenges to heterosexuality and other conventions as foregrounde in the prescribed poems.

Section C

- 25. Examine the impact of marriage on the lives of the protagonists in *The Awakening* and *That Long Silence*.
- 26. Attempt a Queer reading of the novel Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit.
- 27. Evaluate the epistolary nature of *The Color Purple*.

Section D

- 28. Examine the features of feminist theatre as seen in *Top Girls*.
- 29. Compare the portrayal of motherhood in Top Girls and Mother of 1084.
- 30. How do patriarchal establishments circumscribe the life of Sujata?

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FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

Third Semester MA English Degree Examination, November 2019 MENG3E15 - Post Colonial Fiction and Drama

(2018 Admission onwards)

ime: 3 hours

Max. Weightage: 36

Answer all the following questions in a word, phrase or sentence.

- Who is Hazara in The Kite Runner?
- What does Hayavadana mean? 2.
- Who is the eldest son of Hagar Shipley in The Stone Angel? 3.
- Who owns the shop 'Aksident Store' in Wole Soyinka's The Road? 4.
- Which character maintains his friendship with Ezeulu in spite of Ezeulu's apparent stubbornness in Arrow of God?
- Whom did Olive invite as a companion for Barney after the marriage of Nancy in 6. Summer of the Seventeenth Doll.
- Who is the wife of Mr. Biswas?
- Name the two Canadian brothers.

 $(8 \times 1/2 = 4 \text{ weightage})$

II Answer any six of the following questions in a paragraph of about 150 words.

- 9. Hagar Shipley's relationship with her husband in *The Stone Angel*
- 10. The conflict between Ulu and Edemeli in Arrow of God.
- 11. The character of Baba.
- 12. Tulsi household as a symbol of colonialism.
- 13. Sexuality in The Golden Gate
- 14. The Agemo phase in The Road
- 15. Representation of Australian identity in Summer of the Seventeenth Doll
- 16. The talking dolls in Karnad's play.
- 17. Title of the play The Canadian Brothers.
- 18. African rituals in The Road.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

III Write essays of 450 words each on any four of the following choosing one from eac section

Section A

- 19. Arrow of God reflects on a critical juncture in Igbo civilization: Examine.
- 20. Mr. Biswas's character in *A House for Mr. Biswas* is 'A Tale of No Where Man': Illustrate.
- 21. How does Khaled Hosseini fictionalise history in The Kite Runner?

Section B

- 22. Examine the relationship between Kapila, Devadatta and Padmini in Hayavadana.
- 23. Yoruba culture in The Road.
- 24. Comment on the theatrical innovations introduced by the postcolonial dramatists to echo the predicament of the postcolonial individual.

Section C

- 25. Existential crisis experienced in The Golden Gate
- 26. Examine the elements of femininity in The Stone Angel.
- 27. Regional culture in The Canadian Brothers

Section D

- 28. Postcolonial drama reinvents native traditions: Discuss
- 29. Examine the treatment of representation of masculinity and femininity in Girish Karnad's *Hayavadana*
- 30. Consider the major thematic preoccupations of postcolonial dramatists with special reference to the prescribed texts.

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FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

Third Semester MA English Degree Examination, November 2019 MENG3B06 – The English Language: History and Structure

(2018 Admission onwards)

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Max. Weightage: 36

- I. Answer all the following questions in a word, phrase or sentence:
- 1. Who coined the term R. P.?
- 2. Transcribe and mark the primary stress in the word "politician".
- 3. Give an example of an onomatopoeic word.
- 4. What is a Homonym?
- 5. Who was the leader of the Normans during the Norman Conquest?
- 6. What is Pidgin?
- 7. Define Langue.
- 8. Who is regarded as the founder of American structuralism?

 $(8x \frac{1}{2} = 4 \text{ Weightage})$

- II. Write a paragraph of about 150 words each on any six of the following:
- 9. Cardinal Vowels.
- 10. Difference between Diachronic and Synchronic linguistics.
- 11. I. C. Analysis.
- 12. The Copenhagen School
- 13. The Bible Translators
- 14. Bound morphemes
- 15. Phrase structural grammar
- 16. Indian contribution to Linguistics
- 17. Semantics.
- 18. Difference between phonetics and phonology

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IIL Write essays of about 450 words on any four of the following, choosing one from each Section

Section A

- 19. Differentiate between Old English and Modern English
- How far Greek and Latin languages influenced English language in its vocabulary development.
- 21. Write an essay on the Word building process in the English language

Section B

- 22. Illustrate with instances the supra-segmental features of English language.
- 23. How are the sounds in English classified. Illustrate with examples.
- 24. Describe about varieties of English today.

Section C

- 25. "Language is a system of systems". Explain
- 26. What are the problems of structuralist paradigm and the improvements offered by T.G. Grammar?
- 27. Draw an Immediate Constituent Analysis Diagram with an example and explain the process involved in IC Analysis

Section D

- 28. Bring out the contributions of Leonard Bloomfield to the American School of Linguistics.
- 29. Discuss the basic tenets of socio-linguistics.
- 30. Write an essay on Hallyday's Systemic functional grammar.

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