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FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

Fifth Semester BA English Degree Examination, November 2025

BEN5B07 - Appreciating Drama and Theatre

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 ½ hours

Max. Marks : 80

Part A

I. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences. (2 marks each)\

1. What is Aristotle's notion of 'tragic Hero'?
2. Differentiate between Miracle and Morality Plays.
3. What is the function of shock and violence in the Theatre of Cruelty?
4. Name the four great tragedies of Shakespeare.
5. What is Othello's tragic flaw ?
6. Why the Poor Theatre is called "poor"?
7. Define the term 'Ritualistic Theatre'.
8. What is a soliloquy ?
9. What is a Miracle Play ?
10. How does Smirnov's view of women change by the end of *The Bear*?
11. Why does Iago want Roderigo dead?
12. Define 'Problem Play' with reference to Ibsen.
13. What is the central theme of *The Zoo Story*?
14. Explain the term 'Street Theatre.'
15. What does the "stick" symbolize in Kobo Abe's *The Man Who Turned into a Stick*?

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Part B

II. Answer the following questions in a paragraph. (5 marks each)

16. Discuss the role of Desdemona in shaping the tragic outcome of *Othello*.
17. How does Chekhov use humor and irony to present gender roles in *The Bear*?
18. Explain the theme of alienation in Albee's *The Zoo Story*.
19. Comment on the use of symbolism in *Akale* as an adaptation of *The Glass Menagerie*.
20. How does Kobo Abe's *The Man Who Turned into a Stick* reflect existential concerns?
21. Write a short note on the contribution of the Angry Young Men to modern British drama.
22. What role does fate play in Greek tragedy compared to Shakespearean tragedy?
23. Discuss the relevance of Street Theatre as a medium of political and social expression.

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Part C

III. Answer any two of the following questions in an essay.

24. Analyze the role of Iago as the driving force of manipulation in Shakespeare's *Othello*.
25. Discuss *The Bear* as a satire on social pretensions and human relationships.
26. Evaluate *The Zoo Story* as an absurdist play reflecting the crisis of communication in modern society.
27. Examine how *Akale* reinterprets universal themes of memory, illusion, and family conflict for an Indian context.

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BEN5B08 - Literary Theory

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 ½ hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences. (2 Marks each)

1. What are the main beliefs of Liberal Humanism in literature?
2. How does Literary Theory differ from Liberal Humanism?
3. Define Saussure's concepts of the Sign, Signifier, and Signified.
4. What is Structuralist Narratology according to Roland Barthes?
5. Explain Derrida's concept of Logocentrism.
6. What is Lacan's Mirror Stage in Psychoanalytic Theory?
7. Describe the Base and Superstructure in Marxist theory.
8. Summarize Raymond Williams' definition of Culture.
9. What is the main idea behind Cultural Materialism?
10. List the three waves of Feminism.
11. What does Queer Theory say about gender and sexuality?
12. Define Orientalism in Postcolonial Theory.
13. What is Lyotard's concept of incredulity towards metanarratives?
14. Differentiate between Shallow Ecology and Deep Ecology in Ecocriticism.
15. Explain the term "Strategic Essentialism" in Postcolonial Studies.

(Ceiling 25 Marks)

II. Answer the following questions in a paragraph (5 Marks each)

16. Discuss the significance of the Linguistic Turn in literary theory.
17. How does Poststructuralism critique the idea of a fixed center or meaning in texts?
18. Analyze the role of the unconscious in Freud's Psychoanalytic Theory.
19. Explain how Antonio Gramsci's concept of the Subaltern contributes to Marxist theory.

20. Describe the New Left's influence on Cultural Studies and its approach to popular culture.
21. Compare the differences between Old Historicism and New Historicism.
22. Outline the main concerns of Black Feminism and Dalit Feminism.
23. What is Baudrillard's theory of hyperreality and its relevance to Postmodernism?

(Ceiling 25 Marks)

III. Attempt any two questions from the following questions

24. Critically evaluate the dominant features and critiques of Liberal Humanism and Literary Theory.
25. Discuss the influences of Structuralism and Poststructuralism on contemporary literary criticism.
26. Examine the intersections of Marxism, Cultural Materialism, and New Historicism in analyzing literature and culture.
27. Assess the contributions of Feminism and Queer Theory in challenging traditional literary and cultural norms.

(10 x 2=20 Marks)

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BEN5B09 - Language and Linguistics

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 ½ hours

Max. Marks : 80

I .Answer the following questions in two or three sentences each (2 marks)

1. What is subordination? Write examples with two sentences.
2. Define deep structure.
3. What is allophonic variation?
4. Distinguish between free morphemes and bound morphemes
5. Write three criteria for articulating consonants-
6. Write the phonetic transcription of these words- judge and pleasure
7. Define Phonemics
8. What is derivation?
9. What is Diglossia.
10. What is manner of articulation?
11. What is central vowel? Write two words with transcription
12. Define assimilation with two examples
13. Write two complex sentences.
14. What is IC analysis?
15. What is homonym? Write two examples

(Ceiling 25 marks)

II Answer the following questions in a paragraphs. (5 marks each)

16. Distinguish between inflectional and derivational suffixes
17. Define plosives and describe with two suitable examples with transcriptions
18. Define elision and illustrate with examples
19. Distinguish between deep structure and Surface structure
20. What is affixation and explain with details and suitable examples
21. Define discourse analysis in detail.
22. How round vowels are described and classified ? Write suitable examples
23. Describe Airstream Mechanism.

(Ceiling 35 marks)

III Answer any two questions from the following questions

- 24. Discuss the classification of vowels
- 25. Compare and contrast descriptive and prescriptive grammar
- 26. Discuss the articulation and classification of diphthongs
- 27. What is Morphology? Discuss the different methods of word formation in English

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BEN5B10 - Indian writing in English

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 ½ hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences each (2 marks)

1. Whom does the speaker address in the poem "Where the Mind is Without Fear" and why?
2. Who was the Chairman of the Mahad Satyagraha Committee?
3. Why was Lentina partial to Laburnum flowers?
4. Who are Bhadraklok?
5. Why did 'they' ask the speaker of the poem "An Introduction" to not write in English?
6. What does Rushdie mean by the phrase 'Indias of the mind'?
7. How did Mapu become Babu?
8. What is the source of the myth of Yavakri?
9. Explain the line— 'They stick to you like a burr.'
10. What, according to Ambedkar, is the true motive of the Caste Hindus of Mahad in preventing the untouchables from drinking the water of the Chavadar lake?
11. Where was Mr. Kapasi taking the Das family?
12. Why did Amal leave Bhupati's house?
13. Detail the historical context in which Agha Shahid Ali wrote "The Country Without a Post Office."
14. How did the astrologer know Guru Nayak's name?
15. Contrast Mr. Kapasi's and Mrs. Das's views on the former's profession as an interpreter of maladies.

(Ceiling 25 marks)

II. Answer the following in a paragraph (5 marks each)

16. How does Sarojini Naidu highlight the importance of nature in the lives of Coromandel fishers?
17. Explain the reasons for the failure of the plebians to reform Rome.
18. How did Lentina procure the plot of land from Khalong? How did her family react to this?
19. Satyajit Ray effectively portrays Charulata's loneliness in the opening scene of the film. Do you agree? Justify.
20. Kamala Das makes the relationship between language and identity explicit in "An Introduction"— Explain.
21. Discuss Salman Rushdie's arguments against the charge that *Midnight's Children* is pessimistic.
22. 'They were all like siblings'— Evaluate the accuracy of Mr. Kapasi's comment about the Das family.
23. What are 'purusharthas'? How are they related to drama?

(Ceiling 35 marks)

III. Attempt any two of the four questions in an essay (10 marks each)

24. Analyze how the speaker's slow descend into madness in "The Country Without a Post Office" reflect the historical plight of Kashmir.
25. Critically examine Rushdie's views on the nature of memory.
26. The astrologer is a man marked by guilt— Explain.
27. Critically evaluate the political and aesthetic ramifications of the changes Karnad introduced to his source material for the play *The Fire and the Rain*.

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Fifth Semester BA English/ BA Functional English Degree Examination, November 2025

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BEN5D01/BFE5D01 - English for Competitive Examinations

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 hours

Max. Marks : 60

I Answer all questions from 1 to 12 as directed. Each question carries two marks.

1. Correct the error in the sentences, if any
 - a. The CEO of a company is superior than all other employees in it.
 - b. The teacher always gives us a lot of homeworks
2. Choose the most appropriate option from the bracket
 - a. The politician's speech was so _____ that the audience listened with deep attention.
(persuasive / evasive / corrosive / elusive)
 - b. The _____ traveller shared endless stories from his journeys.
(gregarious / morose / reticent / furious)
3. Choose the correctly spelt word
 - a. The company will _____ a new policy on workplace safety.
(a) implement (b) impliment (c) implemant (d) implanent
 - b. The child's sudden _____ startled everyone in the room.
(a) appierance (b) apperance (c) appearance (d) apperanse
4. Complete the phrasal verbs with appropriate particles
 - a. She decided not to _____ the new job offer, though salary was low
(give away / turn down / put in/ turn in)
 - b. The committee decided to _____ the outdated rules and introduce new guidelines.
(do away with / look forward to / run into / fall back on)

Use appropriate prepositions (Questions 5–6)

5. The participants were deeply engaged _____ a heated argument.
6. Success often depends _____ consistent effort and patience.
7. Change the following direct speech into reported speech.
She said, "I will finish the project by tomorrow."

8. Use the correct form of the adjective/adverb in brackets
- Of all the athletes, she is the _____ (talented) performer.
 - He works much _____ (efficient) than his colleagues.
9. Differentiate between the uses of *concerned* in both sentences
- The authorities *concerned* will investigate the matter.
 - He was *concerned* about his exam results.

Use the words opposite in meaning to the words in italics

10. The lecture was extremely *boring*, but the next session turned out to be really _____
11. Despite his *generosity*, he was often criticized for being _____
12. The teacher praised students who were *honest* and sincere, but disliked those who were _____

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II Answer all questions in a paragraph or as directed. Each carries five marks.

13. Rearrange the following sentences into a coherent paragraph:
- Overall, addressing climate change requires global cooperation and sustainable practices.
 - Many international organizations are calling for urgent action.
 - On the other hand, there are countries reluctant to cut emissions due to economic concerns.
 - On one hand, renewable energy technologies offer promising alternatives.
 - Climate change has emerged as one of the most pressing issues of our time.
14. Correct the mistakes, if any, in the following sentences:
- She don't knows how to solve the problem.
 - The train leave at 9 o'clock yesterday.
 - If he would study harder, he will pass the exam.
 - The informations are very useful for us.
 - This book was wrote by a famous author.
15. Punctuate the following sentences.
- i don't believe it
 - where have you been all day
 - how awful
 - come back thats betsys bike she yelled
 - youre my friend my very best friend.

16. Use the following verbs in the correct form:
 My cousin (a) _____ (study) engineering at university for two years now. He (b) _____ (often participate) in workshops, and he (c) _____ (become) more confident recently. He (d) _____ (just complete) a project on renewable energy. I believe he (e) _____ (contribute) significantly to this field in the future.
17. Choose the option which best replaces the underlined phrase.
1. Downly goes the ship
 a) Downing goes the ship b) Down goes the ship
 c) Down under goes the ship d) no improvement required
 2. He walked quicklier of all his classmates
 a) quicker b) quickest c) quickiest d) no improvement required
 3. Sham wove the basket most skillfully
 a) skillfullest b) most skillingly c) more skillingly d) no improvement required
 4. It is the most longest bridge in the country
 a) most longer b) longest c) longer d) no improvement required
 5. Gopal sings well than sarita
 a) good b) better c) welller d) no improvement required
18. Rearrange the jumbled words to form coherent sentences:
- a. / difficult/ the/ / proved/ problem/ to/ be
 - b. /decision/ carefully/ made/ was/ the/ after/ consideration
 - c. /completed/ project/ has/ already/ team/ the
 - d. /lectures/ attending/ students/ several/ were/ online
 - e. /important/ more/ becoming/ is/ communication/ effective
19. Use appropriate articles (a, an, the, or zero article):
 (a) _____ elephant is considered (b) _____ intelligent animal with remarkable memory. In (c) _____ wild, they live in (d) _____ herds and communicate using sounds too low for humans to hear. Conservationists stress that protecting (e) _____ natural habitats of elephants is crucial. Many efforts are being made to prevent the extinction of this majestic species.

III Answer any ONE of the following (1x10=10)

20. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow

Text A

A) The modern workplace is undergoing a profound transformation, largely influenced by the values and expectations of Generation Z. Born between the mid-1990s and early 2010s, Gen Z is projected to comprise 27% of the global workforce by 2025. Having grown up immersed in technology and shaped by global events like the 2008 financial crisis and the COVID-19 pandemic, this generation brings a fresh perspective that challenges traditional work norms and redefines professional culture.

B) A defining feature of Gen Z's approach to work is their prioritization of mental health and work-life balance. Unlike previous generations that often equated success with long hours and career advancement, Gen Z seeks employers who actively support emotional well-being. Their formative years, marked by economic instability and social upheaval, have heightened their awareness of mental health issues. As a result, they are less willing to compromise personal wellness for professional gain, demanding environments that foster psychological safety and self-care.

C) Flexibility is another cornerstone of Gen Z's workplace expectations. The pandemic demonstrated the viability of remote work, and Gen Z has embraced this shift wholeheartedly. They advocate for hybrid models, flexible hours, and location independence to better integrate their personal and professional lives. Companies that resist these changes risk losing top talent to organizations that are more adaptable. Gen Z's insistence on flexibility is not a trend—it's a redefinition of how work fits into life.

D) Purpose and values also play a critical role in Gen Z's employment choices. They gravitate toward companies that demonstrate genuine commitments to social justice, sustainability, and ethical practices. To attract and retain Gen Z employees, organizations must go beyond profit-driven missions and actively engage in societal challenges. Whether it's climate action, diversity and inclusion, or community outreach, Gen Z expects employers to be responsible global citizens.

E) While some critics may view Gen Z's demands as idealistic, their expectations reflect a broader cultural shift. As digital natives raised in a diverse and interconnected world, Gen Z brings a unique lens to the workplace—one that values inclusivity, authenticity, and purpose. By challenging outdated norms and advocating for meaningful change, Gen Z is not just reshaping the workplace—they're redefining what it means to thrive within it.

Match the following statements (1-5) to the appropriated paragraphs (A-E)

1. ___ They consider fixed work time a thing of the past
2. ___ A comparison of the two generations' attitude towards professional life
3. ___ Defining moments and events that distinguish contemporary young generation
4. ___ A few people consider Gen Z principles too unrealistic
5. ___ They are more aware of the larger issues that really matter to the society

State whether the following statements are *True/False* based on the passage:

6. Gen Z are the people born during Covid-19 pandemic.
7. Gen Z rate emotional well-being higher than their father's generations
8. Flexible hours help prefer professional life over emotional life
9. They tend to be more politically engaged and strive to solve many social issues
10. Gen Z are criticized by certain people

Or

21. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

Text B

The Rise of Renewable Energy

In recent years, renewable energy has gained global attention as a sustainable alternative to fossil fuels. This growing interest is driven by escalating concerns over climate change, environmental degradation, and the depletion of non-renewable resources. As global populations rise and energy consumption increases, the urgency to adopt cleaner, more sustainable energy solutions has become a top priority for policymakers, scientists, and environmental advocates alike.

Solar, wind, and hydroelectric power are increasingly being used to meet the growing demand for energy while reducing carbon emissions. Solar panels are now widely installed on residential rooftops, commercial buildings, and expansive solar farms, converting sunlight into electricity with remarkable efficiency. These sources are not only abundant but also environmentally friendly. Wind turbines, both onshore and offshore, harness kinetic energy from air currents to generate power, while hydroelectric systems utilize the force of moving water in rivers and dams to produce electricity. These technologies are helping countries diversify their energy portfolios and reduce their reliance on polluting fossil fuels.

However, a shift to renewable energy is not without some obstacles. Transitioning from fossil fuels to renewables requires major changes in infrastructure and policy. The high initial cost of technology, limited storage capacity, and dependence on weather conditions are major stumbling blocks. Solar and wind energy production can be intermittent, requiring advanced battery systems and smart grids to store and distribute power efficiently. Additionally, upgrading existing infrastructure to accommodate renewable sources demands substantial investment and coordination across sectors, posing logistical and financial challenges for many regions.

Despite these difficulties, governments and private sectors worldwide are investing heavily in research and infrastructure to make renewable energy more efficient and accessible. Innovations in energy storage, grid management, and predictive analytics are helping to overcome technical barriers. Public policies, subsidies, and international collaborations are accelerating the transition to clean energy.

Ultimately, the transitioning toward renewable energy is unavoidable for combating climate change and ensuring a sustainable future for the planet. As global temperatures rise and environmental risks grow, the move toward cleaner energy is not just a choice—it's a necessity for protecting life and preserving natural resources for future generations.

Answer the following questions in a complete sentence or two

(3x2=6)

- a) What are two benefits of renewable energy mentioned in the passage?
- b) Mention one challenge faced in the transition to renewable energy.
- c) According to the author, why is the shift to renewable energy essential?

Grammar & Vocabulary (1 mark each)

1. Choose the correct form of the verb in parentheses:
Governments have started _____ (invest) heavily in renewable energy research.
2. Identify the voice used in the sentence:
"Solar, wind, and hydroelectric power are increasingly being used to meet the growing demand for energy"
a) Active b) Passive c) Neither active nor passive
3. Use the word *sustainable* in a new sentence of your own.
4. Find a word in the passage that means the same as *fighting*.