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Bachelor's Degree Examination – November 2025

V / II Semester

Class / Batch : III UG / 2023 / 2024

Major : All Majors

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

23BENGE2B British Literature

Course outcomes:

CO1. Understand English literary cultures from the Renaissance to the present.

CO2. Develop an understanding of different forms and types of British Literature through exposure to texts that highlight both compliance and contest to tradition.

CO3. Appreciate and analyze the texts in the larger socio-political and religious contexts of the time.

CO4. Demonstrate an awareness of nuances of the English language and its varieties.

CO5. 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. A man's destination is not his _____ CO4 K1
a. fate b. destiny
c. end d. death
2. The line "They also serve who only stand and wait" appears in the poem _____ CO3 K2
a. The Solitary Reaper b. On His Blindness
c. To Autumn d. Ode to Nightingale
3. "The Solitary Reaper" belongs to the _____ poetic tradition CO1 K2
a. Romantic b. Metaphysical
c. Classical d. Modernist
4. The narrator in "Shooting an Elephant" works as a _____ CO3 K1
a. Police Officer b. Teacher
c. Trader d. Soldier
5. Maurya's youngest son in *Riders to the Sea* is _____ CO3 K1
a. Michael b. Bartley
c. Timon d. Simon
6. Oscar wildes uses the figure of speech _____ in the story "The Selfish Giant" CO4 K2
a. Simile b. Metaphor
c. Personification d. Hyperbole
7. The Merry company of children assembled around a Christmas tree which is a _____ CO1 K2
a. German toy b. American toy
c. Australian toy d. Chinese toy
8. Education should indeed be responsive to the needs of the _____ CO3 K2
a. women b. children
c. rural d. society
9. In *Animal Farm*, the animal who represents propaganda is _____ CO3 K2
a. Snowball b. Napoleon
c. Squealer d. Moses
10. The background of *Animal Farm* is based on the _____ Revolution. CO3 K2

Part B

5 x 6 = 30

Answer ALL Questions

Each answer should not exceed 400 words or two pages

11. a. Explain how the poet reflects on the purpose of life in *On His Blindness*. CO3 K3
(or)
11.b. Bring out the impact of the reaper's song in *The Solitary Reaper*? CO3 K3
12. a. Comment on the colonial attitude reflected in "Shooting an Elephant." CO3 K3
(or)
12.b. What are Eagleton's concerns about the future of literature studies in the essay *The Slow Death of the University*?
- 13.a. Explain the theme of the fate in the play "*Riders to the Sea*". CO4 K3
(or)
13.b. Discuss the symbolic significance of the sea in the play *Riders to the Sea*. CO4 K3
- 14.a. Explain how does Dickens evoke emotions through descriptive imagery in "A Christmas Tree"? CO4 K4
(or)
14.b. Throw light on the transformation of the giant "The Selfish Giant"? CO5 K5
15. a. How does Boxer represent the loyal working class in the novel *Animal Farm*? CO3 K2
(or)
15. b. Explain the symbolism behind seven Commandments in the *Animal Farm*. CO3 K2

Part C

5 x 12 = 60

Answer ALL Questions

Each answer should not exceed 800 words or four pages

16. a. Discuss the theme of memory and imagination in the poem "The Solitary Reaper". CO4 K2
(or)
16. b. Discuss the theme patriotism in the poem "To the Indians Who Died in Africa." CO3 K4
- 17.a. Describe the role of the Elephant and its significance to colonialism in the essay "Shooting an Elephant". CO5 K4
(or)
17.b. How does Eagleton critique the commercialization of education in "The Slow Death of the University"? CO3 K4
- 18.a. Analyze Maurya as a tragic figure in *Riders to the Sea*. CO3 K4
(or)
18. b. Write on the theme of human suffering with reference to the character Maurya in *Riders to the Sea*. CO3 K4
- 19.a. "A Christmas Tree is a celebration of childhood wonder." Discuss CO1 K2
(or)
19.b. Examine the theme of joy and love embedded in *The Selfish Giant*. CO3 K4
20. a. Analyze how *Animal Farm* reflects the corruption of revolutionary ideals. the rise of the pigs in *Animal Farm*? CO3 K4
(or)
20. b. Discuss the use of satire in *Animal Farm* to criticize political power. CO3 K2