

**Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science and Higher Education for Women
(Deemed to be University) Coimbatore -641 043
Bachelors Degree Examination – November 2018**

Semester: I

**Class: I UG
Major : English**

**Max. Marks: 100
Time: 3 Hours**

18BENC03 - One-Act Plays

Part-A

10 x 1=10

Choose the correct answer

1. One-act plays may consist of -----
 - a. one scene
 - b. two scenes
 - c. one or more scenes
 - d. three scenes.
2. The comment of Ben in "The Dear Departed" is -----
 - a. satirical
 - b. humorous
 - c. intellectual
 - d. unworthy
3. What did Mrs. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Pearson do?
 - a. played games
 - b. indulge in gossips
 - c. exchanged bodies
 - d. flatters neighbours
4. Who remains in the house of Mr. Pearson after Mrs. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Pearson's plan ?
 - a. the real Annie Pearson
 - b. Fitzgerald
 - c. Doris
 - d. Cyril.
5. Doris and Cyril are -----.
 - a. students
 - b. friends
 - c. employees
 - d. freelancer
6. The speaker, Mrs. Fitzgerald, metaphorically says that she has joined the
 - a. company
 - b. House Workers' Union
 - c. students' union
 - d. association.
7. Stanley Houghton satirises the degradation of -----in "The Dear Departed".
 - a. money values
 - b. moral values
 - c. social values
 - d. land values
8. Mrs. Slater appears to be a lady who is very particular about----
 - a. ceremonies
 - b. etiquette
 - c. mourning dress on death
 - d. food
9. Henry proves to be-----from his words.
 - a. greedy
 - b. talkative
 - c. wise
 - d. hen-pecked
10. The relatives are discussed about -----to be given in the newspaper in "The Dear Departed"
 - a. obituary
 - b. advertisement
 - c. notice
 - d. announcement

Part B

5 x 6=30

Answer the following

Answer should not exceed 400 words or two pages

11. a. Discuss how long does it take to write a One Act Play?
(or)
b. Define the kinds of One Act Plays.
12. a. Identify what was wrong in the Pearson family?
(or)
b. Examine why is Mrs. Fitzgerald insisting upon Mrs. Pearson's being the boss of her family?
13. a. Sketch the character of Abel Merry weather.
(or)
b. List the three things that grandfather plans to do on Monday next in "The Dear Departed".
14. a. Criticise the characteristics of the mother in the play *Riders to the Sea*.
(or)
b. Assess the role of Joe in the play "The Unexpected"
15. a. Examine the nature of precious Jade with reference to the play "The Seven Slaves".
(or)
b. Evaluate the opening of the play "The King Who Limped".

Part C

5 x 12=60

Answer the following

Answer should not exceed 800 words or four pages

16. a. Explain the chief characteristics of One Act Play.
(or)
b. Discuss the origin and development of One Act Play.
17. a. Formulate the reasons behind the fact that Annie Pearson is responsible for her fate in "Mother's Day".
(or)
b. Do you agree that Doris and Cyril's behavior with their mother was extremely rude and unheard of? Explain.
18. a. Analyse the irony in the title of the play "The Dear Departed"
(or)
b. Compare and contrast Henry's character with that of his wife. Support your answer with evidence from the play "The Dear Departed".
19. a. Describe the gender discrimination in the play *Riders to the Sea*.
(or)
b. Evaluate the significance of the title of the story "The Unexpected".
20. a. Interpret the satirical elements of the play "The King Who Limped".
(or)
b. Review the main social issues portrayed in Anton Chekhov's *The Bear*.
