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BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 ADMISSIONS SUPPLEMENTARY SEMESTER III - COMMON COURSE 1 (ENGLISH) EN3A05B18 - Literature and / as Identity

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

Part A

I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 2 marks

(10x2=20)

- 1. Who is referred to as 'you' in the line 'The warm naan is you'?
- Explain the expression 'different Englishes' as used by Amy Tan in "Mother Tongue".
- According to Amy Tan, most Chinese students choose to study Maths and Science. Identify the reason. 3.
- What did the narrator do to express his sympathy for the peacocks?
- Ratna, the maid, says that the narrator's dream has gone. Identify the reason.
- What tricks did the narrator in "Nightmare" learn to get his way with the things he wanted?
- What is the theme of the novel The Dark Holds No Terrors?
- How did the village elders respond on hearing of Kamur's hunt for his children and wife?
- 9. Ayah hates Chato. Identify the reason.
- 10. 'Then I made a mistake.' What was the mistake? Who made the mistake?
- 11. How does Goddess Kali help Padmini?
- 12. Write a brief note on Georgiana's former lovers' explanations for the mark on her cheek.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks

(6x5=30)

- 13. Describe the Indian sex-goddess as represented in the poem "Indian Movie, New Jersey"?
- 14. Explain how Amy Tan's mother's English limited her possibilities in life.
- 15. What does the forlorn duck at the far edge of the dark sea symbolize?
- 16. Comment on the dog's proverbial loyalty to its master in the context of the story, "The Dog of Tithwal", where the dog is fated to reckon with more than one master.
- 17. Describe the first incident of the nightmare night that Malcolm X narrates from his vivid memory.
- 18. What is Shashi Deshpande's view of herself as a mother?
- 19. What do you learn about Pinyar's love as a mother?
- 20. Describe the girl's appearance as perceived by the protagonist in the story "The Girl on the Train".
- 21. How is Aminadab crucial to the unfolding of events?

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 15 marks

(2x15=30)

- 22. Explain the problems of language that immigrants face in host countries as described by Amy Tan.
- 23. Discuss the questions of identity that the stray dog throws up in the story "The Dog of Tithwal".
- 24. "Learning to be a Mother" rationalizes motherhood. Discuss.
- 25. Describe the brief encounter between the speaker and the girl in Ruskin Bond's story "The Girl on the Train".

