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BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S.) EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2024 2021 ADMISSIONS SUPPLEMENTARY (SAY) SEMESTER V - CORE COURSE (ENGLISH) EN5B10B18 - Indian Writing in English

Time : 3 Hours Maximum Marks : 80

Part A

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

(10x2=20)

- 1. "Silence has bound thee with her fatal chain". Explain the relevance of "silence" in the poem "The Harp of India".
- 2. What according to Mahapatra is the plight of God in the temples?
- 3. Explain the figure of speech used in the phrase "light shadows".
- 4. Who is Baba in Arundhati Roy's novel?
- 5. Evaluate the significance of Reverend Ipe in Arundhati Roy's novel.
- 6. Discuss the significance of the "man" in the play Nagamandala.
- 7. Discuss the changes that Karnad has incorporated into the plot, when compared to the sources of the play.
- 8. Why did Mrs Dutta go to America?
- 9. Describe how Mr. Kapasi became an interpreter.
- 10. What was Shyamoli's attitude before and after Mrs Dutta came to live with them?
- 11. "An Indian film-maker can't afford to be a path-breaker". Explain.
- 12. Explain the duty of India in uniting people, with reference to Tagore's essay.



Part B

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

(6x5=30)

- 13. "Be Amy, or be Kamala. Or, better Still, be Madhavikutty". Explain the context.
- 14. How does Mahapatra portray India after fifty years of Freedom in his poem?
- 15. Analyse the way in which Ammu is treated at the police station in Roy's novel.
- 16. Analyse the significance of Baby Kochamma's character in Roy's novel.
- 17. Comment on the significance of the denouement of the play Nagamandala.
- 18. Discuss the significance of the prologue to the play Nagamandala.
- 19. Discuss the themes depicted in "Mrs. Dutta Writes a Letter".
- 20. How does Narayan express his disgust at orthodox practices in a humorous tone?
- 21. Evaluate Tagore's declaration that it is America, and not Europe, that has the special mission to achieve the unity of mankind.

Part C

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

(2x15=30)

- 22. Analyse the status of the women characters in *The God of Small Things*.
- 23. Critically analyse the plot-construction of Girish Karnad's Nagamandala.
- 24. Discuss Mrs. Dutta's life in America.
- 25. How does Ray elaborate on the problems faced by the Indian film-maker?