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# MASTER'S DEGREE (C.S.S) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2024 2023 ADMISSIONS REGULAR SEMESTER II. CORE COURSE English

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EN2C07TM21 - Postmodernism and Beyond

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

#### Part A

### I. Answer any Eight questions. Each question carries 7 weight

(8x1=8)

- Discuss in light of Lyotard's essay, whether there is a rupture between the modern and postmodern.
- 2. What according to Nealon is the dominant cultural logic of the contemporary era?
- Evaluate the tone of the poem "The Day Lady Died".
- 4. Explain the significance of "the second best bed" in the poem "Anne Hathaway".
- 5. Analyse the setting of the novel The French Lieutenanat's Woman.
- 6. Analyse the aspects of intertextuality employed in The French Lieutenant's Woman.
- 7. Discuss how Sophie Fevvers subverts patriarchal notions in the novel by Angela Carter.
- 8. Examine the term 'Atonists.'
- 9. What is the political background against which Shepard wrote The God of Hell?
- 10. Explain the importance of scene in which Warrington is tortured in Lear.

#### Part B

# II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 2 weight

(6x2=12)

- 11. What is the necessity of the term 'Post-postmodernism' according to Nealon?
- 12. Elaborate 'Temporal Disorder' as a trait of Postmodernist fiction.
- 13. Analyse the significance of the closing line of the poem "National Trust".
- 14. Evaluate the significance of the usage "bottomless pits" in the poem "National Trust".
- 15. Evaluate Sarah Woodruff as a symbol of the emanicipated modern woman in *The French Lieutenant's Woman*.
- 16. Discuss the agenda of the Wallflower Order.
- 17. Examine the mastermind behind Armitage and his plan.
- 18. Analyse the character of Cordelia in Bond's Lear.

# Part C

# III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 5 weight

(2x5=10)

- 19. Analyse the significance of the title of Carol Anne Duffy's poem "Anne Hathaway".
- 20. Evaluate Slaughterhouse-Five as a postmodern novel.
- 21. Assess the use of Technology and violence in the novel Neuromancer.
- 22. Examine the moral development of Lear in Bond's Lear.

