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MASTER'S DEGREE (C.S.S) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024 2023 ADMISSIONS REGULAR

SEMESTER III - CORE COURSE ENGLISH EN3C13TM21 - Body, Text and Performance

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

I. Answer any Eight questions. Each question carries 1 weight

(8x1=8)

- Enumerate on the moral discourse internalized by individuals leading to self-surveillance.
- 2. Elaborate on how Michel Foucault's idea of "biopower" contrasted with the then existing models of power.
- 3. Examine the importance of Varsouviana Polka.
- 4. State how the characters in Williams' play are defined by their social class.
- 5. Examine the significant role of the chorus in Aristophanes' *Lysistrata*.
- 6. Examine the role of Bapu in Tendulkar's A Friend's Story.
- Describe the trauma of partition as depicted in Bhaag Milkha Bhaag.
- 8. Elaborate on Isodora's relationship with Edward Gordon Craig.
- 9. Evaluate the changes in masculinity studies in cinema.
- 10. What, according to Andrew Dix, is problematic about Robyn Wiegman's portmanteau term 'genderraceclass'?

Part B

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

(6x2=12)

- 11. Classify the dangers associated with attempting to define a woman as a natural category.
- 12. Define Foucault's theory of power, as elaborated by Jen Pylypa.
- 13. Elaborate on the ideas of desire, destruction and death in A Streetcar Named Desire.
- 14. Discuss how Pinter "ruthlessly criticises social institutions" in The Birthday Party.
- 15. Examine the homophobic world as portrayed in Vijay Tendulkar's A Friend's Story.
- 16. Analyse the character of Mama Nadi.
- 17. Comment on the theme of struggle in Milkha Singh's biopic.
- 18. Analyse the evolving relationship between David and Audrey in Unbreakable.

Part C

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

(2x5=10)

- 19. "A Streetcar Named Desire is about the New American Man's sexual dominion and the unapologetic male gaze."

 Discuss.
- 20. Discuss how the female body is caught in the cross fore of men's war with reference to Lynn Nottage's Ruined.
- 21. Analyse how Duncan struggles to reconcile her artistic career with her love affairs.
- 22. Evaluate the role of race in Unbreakable.