



Reg. No
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M.A. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2021

Fourth Semester

Faculty of Language and Literature

Branch I: English

Core Course 16: PC 16

LEN04PC16—LITERATURE AND THE EMPIRE

(2012 to 2018 Admissions)

[Supplementary/Mercy Chance]

Time: Three Hours Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

Answer any **five** of the following each in a paragraph of about 50 words. Weight 1 each.

- 1. The setting of 'waiting for the Barbarians'.
- 2. Post-colonial theory.
- 3. Identify the theme of Neruda's poem 'The United Fruit Company'.
- 4. Afro-American literature.
- 5. New Historicism is 'The Dreams of Tipu Sultan'.
- 6. Myth in 'A Grain of wheat'.
- 7. Corporal Lestrade in 'Dream on Monkey Mountain'.
- 8. The suicide of Bhubaneswari Bhaduri.

 $(5 \times 1 = 5)$

Part B

Write short essays of about 100 words on any **five** of the following. Weight 2 each.

- 9. Discuss the significance of the title 'The Lion and the Jewel'.
- 10. Describe the process of Sally's search for identity.
- 11. How does 'A Grain of Wheat' address freedom and the Kenyan struggle for independence?
- 12. Discuss the theme of Salman Rushdie's 'Imaginary Homelands'.

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- 13. Attempt a character sketch of 'The Magistrate' in 'Waiting for the Barbarians'.
- 14. Discuss the themes and motifs in 'In Search of our Mother's Garden'.
- 15. Write an essay on the voice of dissent in 'Canthe Subaltern speak'.
- 16. What insights do you gain on Latin America's encounter with the empire in Neruda's 'The United Fruit Co'.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$

Part C

Write essays of about 300 words on any **three** of the following. Weight 5 each.

- 17. Write an essay on the critical models of postcolonial literatures based on the prescribed essay in 'The Empire Writes Back'.
- 18. Discuss the post colonial identity crisis in 'Dream on Monkey Mountain'?
- 19. What are Frantz Fanon's views in 'Spontaneity: Its strength and weakness'?
- 20. Discuss the post colonial aspects in Salman Rushdie's 'Imaginary Homelands'.
- 21. Discuss Edward Said's views in 'Narrative and social space'.
- 22. Discuss briefly the racism in Joseph Conrad's novel 'Heart of Darkness'.

 $(3 \times 5 = 15)$

