

TDC (CBCS) Even Semester Exam., 2023

ENGLISH

(4th Semester)

Course No. : ENGDSC/GE-401T

(Indian English Literature)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

SECTION—A

Answer any *twenty* of the following questions :

1×20=20

1. Where does the baboon sit in the poem, *Our Casuarina Tree*?
2. Where does the water lily spring?
3. What is meant by "the sun beat down to match our rage"?

4. Why had the trip darkened every face in the poem, *Enterprise*?
5. Who was Cain?
6. When was the poem, *Ash* first published?
7. What does the poet watch sometimes in the poem, *Freedom*?
8. Fill in the blank :
"And each day I keep looking for the _____."
9. Where did Kamala Das see the dance of the eunuchs?
10. What are cymbals?
11. What is the name of Jumman's wife?
12. To whom had Algu sold his ox?
13. Who was Jumrati?
14. Name the two schools mentioned in the story, *The M.C.C.*

15. What is the name of R. K. Narayan's novel from which the story *The M.C.C.* has been taken?
16. Who was Sajani?
17. Which was the first novel written by Mulk Raj Anand?
18. Who was known for his philanthropic works among the coolies mentioned in *Two Leaves and a Bud*?
19. Which tree is meant by the title, *Two Leaves and a Bud*?
20. What was the name of Ganju's daughter?
21. "Let her get older. Yes Chandan, the planet will tolerate you, the planet will accept you—but not her." Who is the speaker here?
22. Why did Chandan move to England from India?
23. Why did Bharati insist on wanting to give her kidney to Tara?

24. What was Dan doing as the play, *Tara* starts?
25. Why was the third leg finally given to Chandan?

SECTION—B

Answer any *five* of the following questions : $2 \times 5 = 10$

26. How does giant tree wear the scarf in the poem, *Our Casuarina Tree*?
27. What happened in the last phases of the journey in the poem, *Enterprise*?
28. Explain the figure of speech in the phrase 'light shadows'.
29. What does the phrase 'writhed in vacant ecstasy' mean?
30. What was the matter of dispute between Algu Chowdhry and Samjhu Sahu?
31. How did Rajam react to the jumping stars?

32. How was coolie's lane described in *Two Leaves and a Bud*?
33. Give a brief description of Assam and its natural beauty as presented by Anand in *Two Leaves and a Bud*.
34. Write briefly Roopa's role in the play, *Tara*.
35. What does the name 'Tara' signify in the play by Mahesh Dattani?

SECTION—C

Answer any *five* of the following questions : $8 \times 5 = 40$

36. Give a description of the interplay of memory and nostalgia in Toru Dutt's *Our Casuarina Tree*.
37. What is the central idea of Nissim Ezekiel's poem, *Marriage*?
38. Discuss the major themes of Kamala Das's poem, *The Dance of the Eunuchs*.

39. Write a critical appreciation of Jayanta Mahapatra's poem, *Ash*.
40. Bring out the significance of the title of Premchand's story, *The Holy Panchayat*.
41. Discuss the significance of the title of the story, *The M.C.C.*.
42. Give a character sketch of Gangu.
43. Discuss Mulk Raj Anand's *Two Leaves and a Bud* as a study of social exploitation.
44. Discuss the social issues as raised in Mahesh Dattani's *Tara*.
45. Analyze the character of Bharati from Dattani's play, *Tara*.

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