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(CBCS)

(5th Semester)

ENGLISH

SIXTH PAPER

(Women's Writings)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

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(SECTION : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

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1. What does Nanda Kaul plan to say to the letter she gets?

(a) Thank you ()

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(c) Yes ()

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2. "an intruder, an outsider, a mosquito ..." speaks of which character?

(a) Asha ()

(b) Raka ()

(c) Ram Lal ()

(d) Ila Das ()

3. What does Jane do with the inheritance she receives from her uncle John Eyre?

(a) She divides it equally among her cousins the Rivers ()

(b) She starts a school in the town of Morton ()

(c) She sends it to Gateshead to comfort the Reeds for the death of their mother ()

(d) She buys ball gowns and jewelry for herself ()

4. The novel, *Jane Eyre* is about

(a) social class ()

(b) totalitarianism ()

(c) science fiction ()

(d) power struggle ()

5. Whom does Mrs. Ramsay affectionately call a 'boobie'?

- (a) Paul Rayley ()
- (b) Charles Tansley ()
- (c) James Ramsay ()
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6. What is the title of the Part II of *To the Lighthouse*?

- (a) 'Time Passes' ()
- (b) 'Time Passing' ()
- (c) 'Timepass' ()
- (d) 'Amusement' ()

7. Which political party features in the novel, *The God of Small Things*?

- (a) The Congress Party ()
- (b) The Communist Party ()
- (c) Trinamool Congress ()
- (d) Bharatiya Janata Party ()

8. Where do Rahel and Estha go to see the Kathakali dancers?

- (a) The Catholic Church ()
- (b) The Anglican Church ()
- (c) The Temple ()
- (d) The Mandir ()

9. What drug does Grady enjoy?

- (a) Opium ()
- (b) Marijuana ()
- (c) Gasoline ()
- (d) MSD ()

10. In what context is the colour purple mentioned in the novel, *The Color Purple*?

- (a) It is the colour of Squeak's stage dress ()
- (b) Shug tells Celie that the colour purple signifies strength and power ()
- (c) Celie writes that the colour purple is one of God's creations and wonders where it comes from ()
- (d) It is the colour of the bag ()

(SECTION : B—SHORT ANSWERS)

(Marks : 15)

Answer the following :

3×5=15

UNIT—I

1. What similarities do you find in Nanda Kaul and her great-granddaughter Raka?

OR

2. Briefly describe the character of Ila Das.

UNIT—II

3. Who is Miss Temple? How much influence does she have on Jane Eyre?

OR

4. Briefly describe the Reeds family.

UNIT—III

5. What does the lighthouse symbolize in *To the Lighthouse*?

OR

6. Give a brief description of Mrs. Ramsay.

UNIT—IV

7. What is the role of Baby Kochamma in the novel, *The God of Small Things*?

OR

8. Briefly comment on the plight of Indian women as depicted in *The God of Small Things*.

UNIT—V

9. Who are the Olinka tribes?

OR

10. To what extent do letters serve as a lifeline between Celie and Nettie?

(SECTION : C—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

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1. Examine the themes of alienation and exile in the novel, *Fire on the Mountain*.

OR

2. What similarities do you find in the female characters Nanda Kaul, Ila Das, Tara and Raka? Analyze them.

UNIT—II

3. Discuss how the events in the novel, *Jane Eyre* highlight England's legacy of colonialism.

OR

4. What differences do you find in the characters of St. John Rivers and Edward Rochester, drawing a light on their influence towards Jane's life?

UNIT—III

5. Examine the major symbols and what they represent in the novel, *To the Lighthouse*.

OR

6. Examine the stream of consciousness technique employed by Virginia Woolf in her novel, *To the Lighthouse*.

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7. What are the underlying ideas explored in *The God of Small Things*?

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8. Critically examine the title of the novel, *The God of Small Things*.

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9. Describe Celie's relationship with Shug. What is significant about Shug's last fling with the young man named Germaine in the novel, *The Color Purple*.

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10. Discuss the power of strong female relationships in the novel, *The Color Purple*.

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