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SECOND SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION, APRIL 2022

April 2021 Session for SDE/Private Students

(CBCSS)

English

ENG 2C 08—POSTCOLONIAL WRITINGS

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

General Instructions

Covid Instructions are not applicable for SDE/Private students

- 1. In cases where choices are provided, students can attend all questions in each section.
- 2. The minimum number of questions to be attended from the Section/Part shall remain the same.
- 3. The instruction if any, to attend a minimum number of questions from each sub section/sub part/sub division may be ignored.
- 4. There will be an overall ceiling for each Section / Part that is equivalent to the maximum weightage of the Section / Part.

Part A

- I. Annotate any *two* of the following:
 - 1 But standing behind a tree

With leaves around her waist

She only smiled with a shake of her head.

2 People in the colonies, she said,

Can't quite understand...

Why, from Waiau to the mountains

It was all father's land.

Turn over

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3 Whatever I do I must

Keep my head. I know

It is easier for me to lose my way

Forever.

4 And this is the terminus of truth?

Objectives of the dreams and all

The speculations we saved up

A lifetime and paid for?

 $(2 \times 2 = 4 \text{ weightage})$

Part B

- II. Write short essay on any two of the following in about 250 words each:
 - 5 Estrangement as a theme in Self-Portrait.
 - 6 Theme of colonization in Our Country's Good.
 - 7 Origin and significance of the title *Things Fall Apart*.
 - 8 The character of Amir in *The Kite Runner*.

 $(2 \times 3 = 6 \text{ weightage})$

Part C

III. Write essays on any *four* of the following in about 450 words each, choosing *one* at least from each section:

 \mathbf{A}

- 9 Explore the theme of corruption in Soyinka's *The Road*.
- 10 Problems of identity in postcolonial India as portrayed in *Hayavadana*.

B

- 11 *The Mystic Drum* presents Okara's journey back to his roots in African history, religion, culture and folklore. Discuss.
- 12 Colonial exploitation in *Africa* by A. D. Hope.

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- 13 Complexities of race and culture in A House for Mr. Biswas.
- 14 Opposition to change and subsequent violence in *Things Fall Apart*.

 $(4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ weightage})$