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VI Semester B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./B.B.A./B.B.A.T.T.M./B.B.M./B.C.A./B.S.W./ B.A. Afsal Ul Ulama Degree (CCSS – Regular) Examination, April 2012
CORE COURSE IN ENGLISH
6B12 ENG : Women's Writing

Time : 3 Hours   Max. Weightage : 30

I. Write an essay on **any one** of the following in about **200** words :

  1) "The women of Shakespeare's plays were harbingers of the present; they represented triumph of ability and intellect over rigid gender roles." Comment.

  2) Discuss the theme of victimization in Sylvia Plath's "Daddy".   **(1×4=4)**

II. Write an essay on **any one** of the following in about **200** words :

  3) Vaidehi attempts to retell Sakuntala's story from a feminist perspective. Discuss.

  4) Consider Jamaica Kincaid's "Girl" as a discourse of gender.   **(1×4=4)**

III. Write an essay on **any one** of the following in about **200** words :

  5) Consider *Harvest* as a critique of Neo-colonialism.

  6) *Bayen* focuses on the marginalisation of women by naming them witches. Discuss.   **(1×4=4)**

IV. Answer **any four** of the following in a paragraph of **80** words :

  7) Women's quest for self-exploration in *The Dark Holds No Terror*.

  8) The character of Chinwe in "Moving Forward".

  9) The theme of "The Warp and the Weft".

  10) The confessional elements in "An Introduction".

  11) How does the poem "Aunt Jennifer's Tigers" reflect the gender struggle ?

  12) Consumerism in *Harvest*.   **(4×2=8)**

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V. Answer **any six** of the following short questions in **one** or **two** sentences :

13) What is the Kannada title of Vaidehi's story ?

14) What was the attitude of male social reformers of India regarding the re-examining notions of femininity ?

15) What does Kamala Das mean when she says "I know the names of those in power" ?

16) How does Emily Dickinson show the disappointment of the woman ?

17) Why does Saritha return after fifteen years to her father's house in the beginning of *The Dark Holds No Terror* ?

18) What is the significance of the phrase "Dark Holds No Terror" ?

19) Why should the Bayen keep out of Malindar's path ?

20) Who do the guards finally take away in *Harvest* ?   (6×1=6)

VI. Answer the **four** following bunches of questions :

21) A) What is Saritha by profession in *The Dark Holds No Terror* ?

      a) Doctor   b) Prostitute   c) Engineer   d) None of these

    B) Who is Saritha's husband in Sashi Deshpande's novel ?

      a) Indrajith   b) Rahul   c) Manohar   d) She is unmarried

    C) Which among the following is not a novel by Sashi Deshpande ?

      a) *That long Silence*   b) *The Dark Holds No Terror*

      c) *A Suitable Boy*   d) *The Binding Vine*

    D) How did Dhruva die in the novel ?

      a) He died due to a cardiac arrest   b) He is drowned

      c) He is killed in a train accident   d) He is shot dead

22) A) A who is the speaker of Maya Angelou's poem ?

      a) Bride   b) An old man

      c) A young man   d) A fifteen year old girl

B) "Female Product" was written by _____

    a) Kabitha Sinha   b) Maya Angelou

    c) Taslima Nasrin   d) Sylvia Plath

C) What do tigers symbolize in "Aunt Jennifer's Tigers"?

    a) Freedom   b) Death   c) Marriage   d) Fear

D) "She rose to his requirement, dropped/The _____ of her life".

    a) Riches   b) Play things   c) Gold   d) Happiness

23) A) The girl in Kincaid's story was asked to wash colour clothes on :

    a) Sunday   b) Tuesday   c) Wednesday   d) Friday

B) Which writer won the 1998 Commonwealth award for best short story ?

    a) Vaidehi   b) Jamica Kincaid

    c) Sujata Sankranti   d) Olamide Awonubi

C) Sarvadamana is born to _____

    a) Gangdasi   b) Vasumati   c) Shakuntala   d) None of these

D) Who is Chinwe married to ?

    a) Roger   b) Olamide   c) Lanre   d) None of these

24) A) What was the Bayen's name ?

    a) Kalu Dome   b) Chandidasi   c) Pakhi   d) Tukni

B) Chandidasi was forced to do the last rites of :

    a) Shashi   b) Bhagirath   c) Gangaputta   d) Tukni

C) Ginni communicates with Om through the _____

    a) Super deluxe video coach   b) Contact Module

    c) TV set   d) Cyber net

D) Jeetu works as a _____

    a) Guard   b) Gangster   c) Male prostitute d) Clerk   **(4×1=4)**

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