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English – Main

INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH – II

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. According to Swami Vivekananda, physical help alone cannot cure the ————— of the world.  
(a) Miseries                      (b) Maladies  
(c) Anxieties                    (d) Disease
2. Khushwant Singh compares his grand mother's serene face to that of a ————— landscape.  
(a) Summer                      (b) Winter  
(c) Spring                        (d) Autumn

3. \_\_\_\_\_ have wings of fancy in with which they get close to God.
- (a) The Guru                      (b) The critic  
(c) The mad                      (d) The leader
4. The line “Let the terror not strike the meek and silent” is taken from the poem \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Freedom  
(b) Mad  
(c) Old Man’s death  
(d) Before I am born
5. Kaali is a \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Servant                      (b) Nurse  
(c) Physiotherapist      (d) Dietitian
6. Nani and all the elders of the house prey to the family goddess that the baby born be a son so as to uphold the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) spirit                      (b) family honor  
(c) integrity                      (d) legacy
7. In the play The Refugee, the chaos in the society is due to the heavy influx of \_\_\_\_\_ refugee in India.
- (a) Nepal                      (b) Pakistan  
(c) Bangladesh                      (d) China

8. Sen Gupta's speech reflects the social unrest that was being caused due to the heavy pressure of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) activists (b) terrorists  
(c) mob (d) refugees
9. Vilie sets out an epic journey in the quest for the \_\_\_\_\_, encountering men and spirits.  
(a) stone (b) diamond  
(c) ruby (d) emerald
10. A mysterious fever killed \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Aponi (b) Mechusen  
(c) Chilam (d) Chimalis

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) What is the most direct method of curing the miseries of the world, according to Swami Vivekananda?
- Or
- (b) Whom does Khushwant Singh describe in "The Portrait of a Lady"?

12. (a) Write a critical appreciation of the poem "Before I am Born".

Or

- (b) How does the poet lament the fate of old man in "Old Man's Death"?

13. (a) Why did the Tehsildar ask Ramlal to send his daughters to school? Give two reasons.

Or

- (b) Sketch the character of Kaali.

14. (a) How does the play The Refugee present the miserable condition of the refugees?

Or

- (b) Comment on the theme of Revenge in the play The Refugee.

15. (a) Describe the life of the Nagaland society in When the River Sleeps.

Or

- (b) Comment on the plot of When the River Sleeps.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Imagine that you are Khushwant Singh. Record the changes that came in your relationship with your grand mother.

Or

- (b) What are the two ways in which we can work without expecting anything in return as stated by Vivekananda?

17. (a) Explain the narrow vision of the old man in the poem “Old Man’s Death”.

Or

- (b) Discuss the leitmotif in the poem “Freedom”.

18. (a) Describe Bholi’s feelings when her teacher assured to make her the most learned in her village.

Or

- (b) Mention the key issues in the story “Girls”.

19. (a) Identify the Ideological conflict in Asif Currimbhoy's The Refugee.

Or

- (b) Examine the political and economic issues in The Refugee.

20. (a) Analyse the ecocritical framework in When the River Sleeps.

Or

- (b) Nature is Vilie's protector and he is nature's protector – Justify.
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