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**FIFTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2021**

(CUCBCSS-UG)

**CC15U ENG5 B01/CC15U DMENG5 B01- INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH**

(English Literature / English & History Double Main – Core Course)

(2015 to 2018 Admissions – Supplementary/Improvement)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum :80 Marks

I. Choose the correct answers:

1. Autobiography of R.K. Narayan.  
(a) Malgudi Days      (b) My Story      (c) Days in Malgudi.      (d) My Days
2. Who is the domineering matriarch of Indu's household?  
(a) Atya      (b) My Story      (c) Mini      (d) Devi
3. The poem "In Love" by Kamala Das is taken from the collection \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) The Old Playhouse      (b) The Descendants  
(c) Summer in Calcutta      (d) My Story
4. What does the speaker wish Miss Pushpa?  
(a) Good Luck      (b) Happy Journey      (c) Bon Voyage      (d) Best wishes
5. Name the British writer who helped RK Narayan to publish his first couple of novels  
(a) W B Yeats      (b) Graham Greene      (c) T S Eliot      (d) H G Wells
6. How is the narrator related to Angoori in 'The Weed'?  
(a) Sister in law      (b) Daughter      (c) Land Lady      (d) Neighbour
7. Who inspired Nehru's title of the speech 'A Tryst with Destiny'?  
(a) Roosevelt      (b) Gandhiji      (c) Lincoln      (d) Bhutto
8. Name the writer who gave the thread of the story of "Naga Mandala" to Karnad ?  
(a) Tagore      (b) R K Narayan      (c) Nehru      (d) A K Ramanujan
9. Who advised Rani to take oath in the name of Cobra?  
(a) Naga      (b) Appanna      (c) Kurudava      (d) Man
10. What was the context of Nehru's speech "Tryst with Destiny"?  
(a) India's Independence      (b) Republic Day  
(c) Freedom Struggle      (d) Quit India Movement

**(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

II. Answer any *ten* questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

11. What is the theme of the poem “Breezy April”?
12. How is Rani declared chaste by the village panchayat?
13. Why did Rajam’s father object to R.K.Narayan’s marriage to his daughter?
14. What compelled Indu to go back to her ancestral house after long years?
15. How has the postcard intensified the speaker’s nostalgia for his homeland?
16. How is Gandhiji remembered by Nehru in his speech?
17. Why does RK Narayan feel guilty when he finds his wife wearing a green saree?
18. What are Angoori’s ideas on women’s education?
19. What was Appanna’s reaction when he knew Rani was pregnant?
20. How did the cobra get attracted to Rani?
21. Point out the grammatical mistakes in the line ‘Miss Pushpa is coming from very high family’.
22. What does Agha Shahid Ali mean when he says “My memory will be a little out of focus”?

**(10 × 2 = 20 Marks)**

III. Answer any *four* questions. Each question carries 5 marks:

23. Love and lust in ‘Looking for a cousin on a Swing’.
24. Nostalgia in ‘Post card from Kashmir’.
25. R K Narayan’s infatuation for the pen friend in England.
26. The imagery used by Kamala Das in “In Love” conveys the destructive quality of the narrator’s love relationship. Elucidate.
27. Man- woman relationship in the play Nagamandala.
28. Character sketch of Angoori in the short story “The Weed”.

**(4 × 5 = 20 Marks)**

IV. Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

29. Describe the significance of the title “Tryst with Destiny”.
30. Explain how Indu comes to terms with her life and longings in Shashi.
31. Deshpande’s Roots and Shadows.
32. Elements of superstition in R. K. Narayan’s Mars in the Seventh House.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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