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**SECOND SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021**

(CUCSS - PG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

**CC19P ENG2 C08 - POSTCOLONIAL WRITINGS**

(English)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

I. Annotate any *four* of the following:

1. I resemble everyone  
but myself, and sometimes see  
in shop-windows
2. No laugh from a growing child, his  
hand in my cool hand.  
No mother's breasts, but nylon legs.  
Legs and breasts without smell or sweat.
3. There are differences  
of course: the lack of reliable charts;  
more important, the distraction of small  
details
4. The spirit of exile, wrote the historian  
Is strong in the people still
5. And her five cities, like five teeming sores,  
Each drains her: a vast parasite robber-state  
Where second-hand Europeans pullulate  
Timidly on the edge of alien shores.
6. But a grave voice answers me  
Impetuous child that tree, young and strong  
That tree over there, in splendid isolation  
Amidst white and faded flowers
7. Now you primly say you're justified,  
And sing of a nation's glory,  
But I think of a people crucified -  
The real Australian story.

**(4 × 3 = 12 Weightage)**

II. Write short essays on any **four** of the following in about 300 words in each:

8. Comment upon the symbols 'house' and 'idiots' mentioned in Alamgir Hashmi's poem.
9. A House for Mr. Biswas as a diasporic novel.
10. Impact of colonialism portrayed in *Things Fall Apart*.
11. Significance of the opening scene in *Hayavadana*.
12. How does Leopold Senghor speak out against western culture in "To New York"?
13. The symbolic significance of "Ruins of a great House".
14. Theme of resistance in Kamau Brathwaite's "Negus"

**(4 × 2 = 8 Weightage)**

III. Write long essays on any **two** of the following in 600 words each:

15. Justify the title *The Stone Angel*.
16. *The Kite Runner* as bildungsroman
17. Power and language in *Our Country's Good*.
18. Commend on the ritual devices and folkloric framework employed in *The Road*.

**(2 × 5 = 10 Weightage)**

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