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Special Examination

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION - A

- I. Answer **all** the questions in a word or sentence.
1. When was the poem 'the Gift Outright' first recited?
2. What is the meaning of the word 'brunette'?
3. What is Corroboree?
4. What is the significance of the Cassia flower?
5. Who is Krishnan?
6. What is the meaning of the word 'nonchalant'?
7. What does 'The End of Imagination' critique?
8. Name the currency of Russia.

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9. In which language was the poem 'Agony' originally written?
10. The antonym of arid.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

SECTION – B

II. Answer any **eight** of the following not exceeding **50** words.

11. Explain the phrase 'salvation in surrender'.
12. What was the reason for the silence between the conversations in Wole Soyinka's poem?
13. How does Noonuccal's poetry portray culture?
14. Comment on the line "Am I not the golden Cassia"?
15. What is Krishnan's attitude towards his mother and sister?
16. Why was Kuruvila forced to remove all the garbage bags?
17. What does Tschubukov say about Lomov's father and grandfather?
18. What are the basic needs of the poor woman in the poem 'Agony'?
19. What does Roy mean by 'Our Comprehension of the Horror Department'?
20. In the story 'You are Under Surveillance' who was the man having his lunch at the police station?
21. What advice did the Head of the Health, Environment and Safety Group of the Bhabha Atomic research Centre in Bombay give regarding the nuclear war?
22. What worries the Cassia flower?
23. What is the tone of the poem 'The Gift Outright'?
24. Why is the marriage proposal important to all the characters in the play *The Proposal*?

25. Why does Roy refuse to be silent?
26. How does Krishnan Kutty's daughter treat her grandmother?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

SECTION – C

III. Answer any **six** of the following not exceeding **100** words.

27. What is the theme of 'The Gift outright'?
28. Comment on the significance of the Bora ring.
29. Comment on the title 'Madness'.
30. Why did the police come in search of Kuruvila?
31. How does Tschubukov react when Lomov says that he has come to ask for the hand of his daughter?
32. Comment on the irony of the BPL identity card blurred by sweat.
33. How will a nuclear war impact the environment?
34. What are the flaws in the Theory of Deterrence?
35. Comment on the social criticism in 'You are Under Surveillance'
36. How is landlady perceived by the speaker in Soyinka's poem?
37. Why do nations collect nuclear weapons according to Roy?
38. What is the identity crisis that Krishnan kutty faces?

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)



SECTION – D

IV. Answer any **two** of the following in about **300** words.

39. Comment on the notion of colonialism in "We Are Going".
40. C. Ayyappan's 'Madness' is a stark portrayal of Dalit lives Comment.
41. What are Roy's arguments against Nuclear war?
42. How has Chekov portrayed marriage in his play?
43. How does the poem 'Gift Outright' become a celebration of the American national character?
44. Comment on the title 'You are Under Surveillance.'

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)
