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English – Core

AUSTRALASIAN LITERATURE

(For those who joined in July 2020 only)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL the questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. _____ enjoys Gemmy's presence and spending hours with him to learn about plants and herbs.
- (a) Mr. Frazer (b) Lachlan
(c) Jock (d) Janet

2. "The Sins of the Mother" dramatized a tribal _____ killing.
- (a) Honour (b) Deer
(c) Tiger (d) Man
3. In Dorathy Hewett's "From Testament", the Convicts are _____ on the roads.
- (a) Shackled (b) Freed
(c) Running (d) Sleeping
4. 'Jacky' is a generic name applied to aborigines by _____.
- (a) Whites (b) Natives
(c) Tribes (d) Poor people
5. In "Silent Noise" the narrator is a/an _____.
- (a) Young man (b) Young woman
(c) Old man (d) Child
6. In "The Dover's Wife", the mother protects her children from the _____.
- (a) Snake (b) Scorpion
(c) Centipede (d) Poisonous beetle
7. Alec marries _____ after his retirement, in *Kullark*.
- (a) Rosie (b) Daisy
(c) Jamie (d) Nanie

8. _____ becomes an Army officer in *Kullark*.

- (a) Yagan (b) Alce
(c) Thomas (d) Mark

9. Laila marries Rasheed and gives birth to _____

- (a) Mariam (b) Aziza
(c) Zalmai (d) Nana

10. _____ kills Rasheed with a shovel

- (a) Mariam (b) Aziza
(c) Zalmai (d) Nana

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer the following questions choosing either
(a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Bring out the symbolic significance of the Stone in "From Remembering Babylon".

Or

(b) Bring out the identity crisis of Tor Baz in "The sins of the Mother".

12. (a) How does Mudrooroo Narogin unfold the dominating behavior of Colonist in "They Give Jacky Rights"?

Or

(b) Consider Yasmine Gooneratne's "This Language, This Woman" is a poem of confession.

13. (a) Comment on the usage of symbols and symbolism in "The Chosen Vessel".

Or

(b) Analyse the narrator's bonding with Rukmi in "Silent Noise".

14. (a) Explore the theme of injustice in *Kullark*.

Or

(b) Comment on the significance of the character of Thomas in the play *Kullark*.

15. (a) Comment on the loveable relationship between Mariam and Laila in *A Thousand Splendid Suns*.

Or

(b) "Rasheed as an irredeemable villain in *A Thousand Splendid Suns*" – Illustrate it.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).
Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Analyse the theme of racism in "From Remembering Babylon".

Or

- (b) Outline the story of "The sins of the Mother".

17. (a) Dorathy Hewett expresses her love for aborigines in "From Testament" – Explain it.

Or

- (b) Consider Mudrooroo Narogin's "They Give Jacky Rights" is a lament on the loss of the aboriginality.

18. (a) "Humans cannot with stand the power of Nature" – Analyse this statement with your prescribed story "Silent Noise".

Or

- (b) Critically analyse the role of the mother in "The Drover's Wife".

19. (a) Explore the theme of Identity, marginalization, racism and colonialism in *Kullark*.

Or

- (b) Trace the post-colonial concept in *Kullark*.

20. (a) Bring out the significance of the title *A Thousand Splendid Suns*.

Or

- (b) "Mariam is a symbol of strength in the face of oppression" – Examine it.