

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, NOVEMBER - 2017

POST COLONIAL STUDIES

SUBJECT CODE : 15P3EN12

MAJOR : M.A (English Literature)

SEMESTER : III

TIME : 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 70

SECTION - A (5 X 4 = 20)I. Annotate the following passages:

1. a) Daddy, I have had to kill you.
You died before I had time –
[OR]
- b) In the German tongue, in the polish town
Scraped flat by the roller
of wars, wars, wars,
But the name of the town is common.
2. a) Clench down your strength, box-tree and ironbark.
Break with your violent root the virgin rock.
[OR]
- b) I woke and saw the dark small trees that burn
Suddenly into flowers more lovely than the white moon.
3. a) Marble as Greece, like Faulkner's south in stone,
Deciduous beauty prospered and is gone.
[OR]
- b) Ablaze with rage, I thought
Some slave is rotting in this manorial lake,
And still the coal of my compassion fought.
4. a) It is too late in the day to get worked up about it or to blame others, much as they may
deserve such blame and condemnation. What we need to do is to look back and try and
find out where we went wrong, where the rain began to beat us.
[OR]
- b) They all came and they lived happily together. He had several sons and daughters who
grew up and helped in raising the standard of education of the country.
5. a) I know this is none of my business, but aren't you straying away from the problem?
From what I gather, the problem is that you need someone desperately within ten days.
Someone like this Seshadri, but not Seshadri because he is too busy doing whatever
he is doing.
[OR]
- b) Her nritya and abhitiaya were unparalleled and truly remarkable in a dancer so young
in years. Under the expert guidance of her parents smt.Ratna and Sri.Jairaj Parekh, she
has blossomed into a superlative dancer. This is one star which will shine bright in the
sky of Bharatanatyam.

SECTION - B (5 X 10 = 50)II. Answer any FIVE questions:

6. Discuss the appropriateness of the title of the poem, "Ruins of a Great House".
7. How does Chinua Achebe define the sociology of the writer, the nature of his writings
and their relevance to the society?
8. How did, "Dance Like a Man", embody a brilliant study of human relationships?
9. How does the play "The Lion and the Jewel". show the conflict between Tradition and
Modernity?
10. Analyse the deteriorating relationship between the narrator and his wife Lericé.
11. Discuss the character, Louie, the narrator.
12. Write an essay on the theme of "The White Tiger".
13. Write an essay on the importance of Family, Writing and Food in, "A House for
Mr. Biswas".
