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B.A DEGREE (CBCS) IMPROVEMENT/REAPPEARANCE/MERCY CHANCE EXAMINATIONS, DECEMBER 2024

First Semester

Core Course - EN1CRT01 - METHODOLOGY OF LITERARY STUDIES

(Common to B.A English Model II / Model III / Model III Programmes)

2017 Admission Onwards

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Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

Part A

Answer any **ten** questions.

Each question carries **2** marks.

- 1. Which are the five classes of literary productions?
- 2. What are the features of a great book according to Hudson?
- 3. What is the structure and rhyme scheme of the Shakespearean sonnet?
- 4. Which are the two objections to analysing a literary work in isolation?
- 5. Why does Cleanth Brooks say that there is no ideal reader?
- 6. Comment on Jakobson's remark that literature is 'organized violence committed on ordinary speech'?
- 7. What is 'defamiliarization' according to the Formalists?
- 8. Write a note on the early women writers who tried to get beyond patriarchy.
- 9. What is multicultural feminism?
- 10. Write a note on postcolonialism and hybrid identity.
- 11. What does Pradeepan Pampirikunnu say about history writing?
- 12. Why does Pradeepan say that Malayalam literary historiography has not made any significant leap?



Part B

Answer any **six** questions. Each question carries **5** marks.

- 13. What is the chronological method of studying literature?
- 14. How can we read "Sonnet 116" in the light of the biographical details of Shakespeare?
- 15. Comment on the appropriateness of the technical devices like symbols, images, punctuation etc. in unifying the form and content of Emily Dickinson's poem "Because I could not Stop for Death."
- 16. Write a note on Eagleton's critique of I. A. Richards's Practical Criticism.
- 17. Discuss the notions of sight and sightlessness as depicted in the story "Kunti and the Nishadin."
- 18. Bring out the negative effect of patriarchal gender roles.
- 19. Briefly describe Aunt Mable's house.
- 20. How do the adopt , adaptand adept phases closely parallel the developmental stages of feminist criticism?
- 21. What is Poikayil Appachan's objection to world's histories?

 $(6 \times 5 = 30)$

Part C

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

- 22. Chronology and comparison are inevitable when one attempts to study the work of an author. Discuss.
- 23. In juxtaposing the worlds of the Rajavritta and the Lokavritta, how does "Kunti and the Nishadin" question and subvert long-held dominant notions of justice and civilization?
- 24. Examine why the story "Inside Every Woman Writer" has an unnamed woman narrator.
- 25. In the poem "Identity Card," how does S. Joseph portray the shattering of the dream of love when it confronts the issue of caste?

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$