

2021

(CBCS)
(5th Semester)
ENGLISH

EIGHTH PAPER
[Fiction - II]

Full Marks: 75
Time: 2 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

(Please read the instructions carefully before you start writing your answers)

1. Questions should be attempted as per instructions.
2. Do not copy the Questions. Indicate the Section and Question No. clearly while attempting the answer.
3. For Multiple choice answers, candidate should indicate the Question No., Sub. No., (if any) and the correct answer. For example :

1. *Name the State capital of Mizoram.*

(a) *Lunglei*

(b) *Aizawl*

(c) *Champhai*

Candidate should provide answer as—Q. No. 1 : (b) *Aizawl*

[Candidate should avoid writing only (b)]

4. Section B - Answer to Short Answer should be limited to **One Page** only.
5. The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

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SECTION : A – OBJECTIVE

(Marks: 30)

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1x30=30

1. According to Maria, which character has the "sacred rage" in him?
 - (a) Bilham
 - (b) Waymarsh
 - (c) Strether
 - (d) Chad

2. What little blue piece of paper tends to tell Strether that he's in trouble?
 - (a) A passive aggressive Post-it Note from Waymarsh
 - (b) A telegram
 - (c) An old-fashioned tweet (oh wait, that's the same as a telegram)
 - (d) A ticket on the wrong boat back to the U.S.

3. Why is Mrs. Newsome important to Strether apart from being his fiancée?
 - (a) She is his future wife
 - (b) She funds his magazine
 - (c) She controls his public image
 - (d) They share their bank accounts

4. Who casts an ominous, mostly invisible presence over Strether's life?
- (a) Sarah Pocock
 - (b) Mrs. Newsome
 - (c) Sauron
 - (d) God
5. Strether's advice to little Bilham 'Live all you can, it is a mistake not to' reflects his_____
- (a) newly found freedom
 - (b) own lively life
 - (c) regret on not having lived his life to the fullest.
 - (d) belief that it is a mistake to not enjoy the pleasures that Paris has to offer.
6. How do people in Strether's hometown describe Paris?
- (a) Coarse
 - (b) Lazy
 - (c) Uneducated
 - (d) Lawless
7. The Company trades primarily in
- (a) gold
 - (b) ivory
 - (c) freshwater pearls
 - (d) slaves
8. What does Marlow discover atop the fence posts at the Inner Station?
- (a) Human heads
 - (b) Animal skulls
 - (c) Guns and spears
 - (d) Wild flowers
9. Who nurses Marlow back to health once he returns to Europe?
- (a) Kurtz's fiancée
 - (b) His aunt
 - (c) His wife
 - (d) Kurtz's Intended

10. What is most noticeable about the Company's chief accountant in *Heart of Darkness*?
- (a) His bald head
 - (b) His unusual hat
 - (c) His spotless white clothing
 - (d) His shiny black shoes
11. "In the offing the sea and the sky were welded together without a joint" is Conrad's symbolism for
- (a) the unity of the sea and the ship
 - (b) the closeness of the author to the sea
 - (c) the unity of earth and heaven
 - (d) the lack of feeling the main character has for the sea
12. "The last word he pronounced was—your name." Whose name is referred to in this line?
- (a) The Manager
 - (b) Kurtz
 - (c) Kurtz's Intended
 - (d) Marlow
13. What crime does Adela Quested falsely accuse Aziz of attempting?
- (a) Robbery
 - (b) Rape
 - (c) Blackmail
 - (d) Suicide
14. Which of the following is not a title of one of the three parts of *A Passage to India*?
- (a) "Mosque"
 - (b) "Church"
 - (c) "Temple"
 - (d) "Cave"
15. The city of Chandrapore and the civil station shared nothing except...
- (a) the dusty street
 - (b) the overarching sky
 - (c) the summer heat
 - (d) the sticky humid air

16. On what anniversary does the Bridge Party fall, necessitating Aziz's absence?
- (a) His wife's death
 - (b) His wedding
 - (c) His child's birthday
 - (d) His parents' wedding anniversary
17. The title of *A Passage to India* is taken from a poem by
- (a) Rudyard Kipling
 - (b) Walt Whitman
 - (c) Alfred Tennyson
 - (d) Lord Byron
18. Amidst his satire of British colonial government, what does Forster never suggest that Britain should do?
- (a) Sell India
 - (b) Make fun of India
 - (c) Leave India
 - (d) Settle in India
19. How does the first boy disappear?
- (a) He burns to death
 - (b) He drowns
 - (c) He is crushed by a boulder
 - (d) He is eaten by the beast
20. What is the meaning of the Lord of the Flies' message to Simon?
- (a) Evil is a trait inside of man.
 - (b) Dreams can be more powerful than reality.
 - (c) It is unhealthy to eat uncooked meat.
 - (d) If they ignore the beast it will go away.
21. What is Ralph's first act upon being elected leader?
- (a) Lighting the signal fire
 - (b) Naming Jack the leader of the Hunters
 - (c) Foraging for food
 - (d) Building shelters for the 'littluns
22. Complete the sentence: "I agree with Ralph. We've got to have rules and obey them. After all ..."
- (a) we are British boys.
 - (b) we are not uncivilized.
 - (c) we are not evil.
 - (d) we are not savages.

23. What powers does Jack ascribe to the beast after Simon's murder?
- (a) Immortality and the power to change shape
 - (b) Immortality and Telepathy
 - (c) Telepathy and the power to change shape
 - (d) Enormous strength and murderous cunning
24. Why does the signal fire go out?
- (a) Because the boys in charge were hunting
 - (b) Because it rained heavily
 - (c) Because they ran out of firewood
 - (d) Because the littluns had put out the fire
25. What is the most frightening ministry of Oceania's government?
- (a) The Ministry of Love.
 - (b) The Ministry of Peace.
 - (c) The Ministry of Plenty.
 - (d) The Ministry of Fear.
26. During the Two Minutes Hate, what does everyone in the room do?
- (a) Fight with each other.
 - (b) Scream, yell, and throw objects at the telescreen.
 - (c) Sit in quiet hatred.
 - (d) Sing the national anthem.
27. Besides Oceania, what are the two countries that make up the rest of the Earth in 1984?
- (a) Eurasia and Australasia
 - (b) Eurasia and Eastasia
 - (c) Eastasia and Africasia
 - (d) Australasia and Americana
28. What does Winston trace in the dust on the table at the end of the novel?
- (a) $2+2=5$
 - (b) O'Brien
 - (c) Julia
 - (d) God is Love
29. Winston commits thoughtcrime by writing which of the following in his diary?
- (a) I Hate Big Brother
 - (b) Down with the Party
 - (c) Down with Big Brother
 - (d) Death to Big Brother

30. George Orwell is the pseudonym of
- (a) Eric Blair
 - (b) Samuel Orwell
 - (c) Ellis Bell
 - (d) George Snow

SECTION : B – SHORT ANSWER

(Marks : 45)

Answer the following questions in not more than 1 (one) page each, choosing 3 (three) questions from each unit.

3x15=45

Unit I

1. How are the worlds of Woollett and Paris contrasted by Henry James in his novel *The Ambassadors*?
2. Write a short note on the ending of *The Ambassadors*.
3. Write a note on Mrs. Newsome's role in the novel.
4. Give a short description of Strether's role as an ambassador.

Unit II

5. Why does Marlowe lie to Kurtz's fiancée?
6. What is the central idea of *Heart of Darkness*?
7. What is meant by 'unspeakable rites' in *Heart of Darkness*?
8. What does the Congo river symbolize in *Heart of Darkness*?

Unit III

9. Show how Forster makes use of the 'echo image' in his novel *A Passage to India*.
10. What does the term 'Oriental' signify in *A Passage to India*?
11. In what way is British colonialism shown in E.M.Forster's *A Passage to India*?
12. Comment on the significance of the events in the Marabar caves.

Unit IV

13. Discuss the significance of Piggy's glasses.
14. What does Simon's death represent in *Lord of the Flies*?
15. What does the 'beastie' turn out to be?
16. How does fear play a major role in *Lord of the Flies*?

Unit V

17. "Who controls the past controls the future. Who controls the present controls the past." Explain these lines from *1984*.
18. Give a short character sketch of O'Brien.
19. Mention the psychological methods used by the Party in *1984*.
20. How does Winston's style of rebellion differ from Julia's?

***** End of Question *****

