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B.A. / BA (JMC)

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BAEN101CCT: The Individual and Society

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: This question paper consists of three parts: Part-A, Part-B, Part-C. Number of words to answer each question is only indicative. Attempt all parts.

Part-A: contains **10** compulsory questions of multiple choice / fill in the blank / very short answer type question. Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark. **(10x1=10 marks)**

Part-B: contains **08** questions of which students are supposed to answer **05** questions. Answer each question in approximately 200 words. Each question carries 06 marks. **(5x6=30 marks)**

Part-C: contains **05** questions of which students are supposed to answer **03** questions. Answer each question in approximately 500 words. Each question carries **10** marks. **(3x10=30 marks)**

Part – A

1. Choose the correct option to answer the following questions.

- i. *Mrs. Dalloway* is a novel written by _____.
a) Maya Angelou b) Wole Soyinka c) Virginia Woolf d) Ambai
- ii. The lines "May she be granted beauty and yet not/beauty to make a stranger's eye distraught" have been taken from the poem

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| (a) Still I Rise | (b) A Prayer for My Daughter |
| (c) No Second Troy | (d) Marriages Are Made |
- iii. *Women in Dutch Paintings* is a collection of poems written by _____.

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| (a) Ambai | (b) Eunice De Souza |
| (c) W. B. Yeats | (d) Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni |
- iv. Who amongst the following writers won Nobel Prize for Literature?

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| (a) Amitav Ghosh | (b) Wole Soyinka |
| (c) Maya Angelou | (d) A. K. Ramanujan |
- v. Jamadar Harnam Singh is a character in which of the following story?

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| (a) Kallu | (b) Yellow Fish |
| (c) The Dog of Tetwal | (d) Joothan |
- vi. Amitav Ghosh's prose piece "The Ghosts of Mrs. Gandhi" has been taken from his book _____.

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| (a) In an Antique Land | (b) The Great Derangement |
| (c) Dancing in Cambodia | (d) Imam and the Indian |
- vii. "Indian Movie, New Jersey" talks about the Indian immigrant experience in _____.

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| (a) England | (b) Australia | (c) USA | (d) Germany |
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- viii. Who wrote the famous essay "The Death of the Author"?

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| (a) Roland Barthes | (b) Wole Soyinka |
| (c) Nadine Gordimer | (d) Amitav Ghosh |

- ix. Which of the following books was the last work of Jotirao Phule?
(a) *Gulamgiri* (b) *Sarvajanik Satya Dharma Pustak*
(c) *Tritiya Ratna* (d) *Ishara*
- x. Ambai is the pen name of _____.
(a) Lakshmi Holmstrom (b) Meena Kandasamy
(c) Rajam Krishnan (d) C. S. Lakshmi

Part – B

2. Comment on the theme of Eunice De Souza's poem "Marriages are Made".
3. What personal memories does the yellow fish bring back to Anu's mind?
4. According to Roland Barthes toys are "essentially a microcosm of adult world". Discuss
5. Discuss how Divakaruni's poem "Indian Movie, New Jersey" suggests that Indian immigrants create a false past and false future in their attempt to escape the harsh realities of the present.
6. Comment on Maya Angelou's "Still I Rise" as a powerful poem of protest against racism and oppression.
7. Why education is central to Phule's vision of change? Discuss.
8. Discuss how the poem "Telephone Conversation" exposes the deep-rooted presence of racial discrimination.
9. Comment on Ambai's use of colour imagery in her short story "Yellow Fish".

Part-C

10. Discuss how Manto's story "The Dog of Tetwal" conveys the madness and futility of war.
11. Why according to Virginia Woolf no woman writer has equalled Shakespeare and what does she establish through the imaginative reconstruction of his sister.
12. What virtues does the poet want her daughter to be blessed with in the poem "A Prayer for my Daughter".
13. Briefly discuss the various accounts of humanity and courage of ordinary people given by Ghosh in his essay "The Ghosts of Mrs. Gandhi".
14. Discuss how Kallu's change in status affects the family's decision to accept his proposal of marriage for Salima.
