

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

Answer any TEN of the following in not more than
30 words each.

1. Why did Gandhi and his relative steal coppers from the servant's pocket in order to purchase Indian Cigarettes?
2. What qualities of Gandhi's character are reflected in the lesson "Stealing and Atonement"?
3. Who was Mr. Hill?
4. What qualities does the poet expect in his countrymen in the poem "Where the mind is without fear"?
5. Write a note on the poem "Fragmented".
6. Where does the lady wait for her lover's return in the poem "what his girlfriend said to her"?
7. Describe the funeral of Nathuni's father in law.
8. What does the word "Karukku" mean?

9. What is the hobby of postmaster?
10. Who is Vaikkam Muhammad Basheer?
11. What is the theme of *Karukku*?
12. How is Sanichari marginalised?

SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer any FIVE of the following in about
200 words each.

13. Write a note on Gandhi's honesty.
14. What were the arguments between Mr. Hills and Dr. Allinson?
15. Write a note on stealing habit of M.K. Gandhi.
16. How did M.K. Gandhi portray "Shyness" in his essay "Shyness My Shied"?
17. Discuss the theme of the poem "What his girlfriend said to her".
18. Write a note on the bad fortunes of Sanichari's wife.
19. Describe the postmaster's loneliness.

SECTION C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE of the following in about
500 words each.

20. Attempt an essay on Gandhi's "Shyness My Shield".
 21. Consider Rudali as a story of survival of a subaltern woman.
 22. "Bama's Karukku is bold and touching and it is a glimpse into the complexities of the caste system" – Elaborate.
 23. Bring out the significance of the title "Stares" by A. Jayaprabha.
 24. Critically analyse the short story "The Postmaster".
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