## **FEBRUARY 2021**

Time: Three hours Maximum: 100 marks

Answer any TEN questions in about 500 words each:

 $(10 \times 10 = 100 \text{ marks})$ 

- 1. Critically analyze the poem "The Dormitory".
- 2. How does Kunene stress that his literary goal is the re-telling of African history in a way he believed would make it relevant and authentic to the non-African in his poem?
- 3. Describe Ali's feelings after receiving a postcard from his native land Kashmir.
- 4. "Decolonizing the Mind" is a call for African writers to return to their native languages rather than express themselves in the languages forced upon them by colonization. Explain.
- 5. Show how "Imaginary Homelands" is an account of Rushdie on the controversies that went into the making of an intellectual autobiography?
- 6. How does "Asia Subordinated" reflect the horror and helplessness of Asian intellectuals elsewhere?
- 7. Comment on the themes in Jeeva's "The Village Lullaby".

- 8. Explain how a matriarchal imitation of the English society is destroyed by an outbreak of 'holy fire', madness from a wheat fungus in *Inside the Island*.
- 9. How does Briar Grace-Smith's uniquely poetic vision achieve universal appeal through the vividly detailed focus on a particular rural community?
- 10. What role do letters play in the novel "Crying Lot of 49"?
- 11. Trace Stevens's use of pronouns throughout the novel "The Remains of the Day". What does his use of "I" versus "one" indicate?
- 12. Sketch the character of Kanai Dutt in "The Hungry Tide".
- 13. Discuss the key theme and language features of the short story "The Whale" and explore the significance of the main setting.
- 14. Summarize Gordimer's "Crimes of Conscience".
- 15. Explain the experience of the Indian Diaspora in USA described in "Hell-Heaven"?

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