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Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (20 × 1 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

1. The term multiculturalism similarly recognizes the various cultures that make up \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Cultures (b) Divers  
(c) Co-existence (d) Humanity
2. How many multicultural elements are there?  
(a) 6 (b) 7  
(c) 8 (d) 4
3. Diaspora refers to a population that shares \_\_\_\_\_ who is scattered in different parts of the world.  
(a) Cultures  
(b) Divers  
(c) A common heritage  
(d) Humanity

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4. \_\_\_\_\_ might be put in a wider perspective as well.

- (a) Alienation (b) Identity crisis  
(c) Acculturation (d) Displacement
5. In Hawthorne's novels and short stories, characters are consistently \_\_\_\_\_ and experience isolation from society.  
(a) Identity crisis (b) Acculturation  
(c) Displacement (d) Alienated
6. The novelists exposed and expressed the conditions of \_\_\_\_\_ that emerged in postcolonial period.  
(a) Identity crisis (b) Acculturation  
(c) Displacement (d) Alienated
7. The most common cultural change when two cultures compete is \_\_\_\_\_ of the minority culture into the majority culture.  
(a) Acculturation (b) Assimilation  
(c) Globalization (d) Hybridity

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8. \_\_\_\_\_ means the speedup of movements and exchanges all over the planet.  
(a) Acculturation (b) Assimilation  
(c) Globalization (d) Hybridity
9. \_\_\_\_\_ is a cross between two separate races, plants or cultures.  
(a) Acculturation (b) Assimilation  
(c) Globalization (d) Hybridity
10. \_\_\_\_\_ is not a new cultural or historical phenomenon.  
(a) Acculturation (b) Assimilation  
(c) Globalization (d) Hybridity
11. Who is the author of Unaccustomed Earth?  
(a) Derek Walcott  
(b) Manjula Padmanabhan  
(c) Wole Soyinka  
(d) Jhumpa Lahiri

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12. \_\_\_\_\_ struggles with feelings of shame and pride about his great-grandfather.  
(a) Martin (b) Robin  
(c) Walter (d) Rukku

13. What is the poem blackberry picking about?  
(a) About childhood.  
(b) About adulthood  
(c) Similarity between childhood and adulthood  
(d) Contrasts childhood with adulthood

14. What is the main theme of the poem A Far cry from Africa?  
(a) Freedom (b) Cultures  
(c) Spilt identity (d) Spiritual

15. Who is the poet of the poem "Hamlet"?  
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16. Harvest was first published in \_\_\_\_\_ by Kali for Women.

- (a) 1997
- (b) 1998
- (c) 1908
- (d) 1965

17. Manjula Padmanabhan in Harvest presents battle a war between

- (a) God and Man
- (b) Man and Animal
- (c) Animal and machine
- (d) machine and man

18. Pi's father runs the

- (a) Pondicherry drug store
- (b) Pondicherry zoo
- (c) Pondicherry circus
- (d) Pondicherry veterinary clinic

19. Which of the following religions does Pi not practice?

- (a) Hindu
- (b) Islam
- (c) Christianity
- (d) Buddhism

20. Pi's family leaves India in

- (a) 1977
- (b) 1978
- (c) 1996
- (d) 1876

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30. What does the cage symbolize in Caged Bird? Explain briefly.

31. How do you bring about the concept of globalization in The Harvest?

32. In *Life of Pi* why does Pi think religion is plagued with "certain illusions about freedom"?

SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions.

21. Sketch the character of Salman Rushdie.

22. What is the theme of the most "The handsomest drowned man"?

23. What poetic techniques are used in blackberry picking?

24. What does Kikuyu refer to in far cry from Africa? Explain.

25. How is a fictitious context brought out of the play Harvest?

26. Water is the elixir of life. Substantiate the statement with reference to the story of 'Life Of Pi'.

27. Did Pi want Richard Parker to die? Give your reasons.

SECTION C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

28. Bring out the significance of the symbolism in "The Medicine Bag".

29. Justify the title "Unaccustomed Earth".

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