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V Semester B.A. Examination, November/December 2015

(Freshers + Repeaters)

(2013-14 and Onwards)

OPTIONAL ENGLISH - VI

European and Non-European Writing (Part - I)



Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

Instruction: Attempt all Sections. (2013-14 and Onwards)

SECTION - A

(Poetry)

I. A) Answerany one of the following:

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- a) Brecht's 'To Those Born Later' marks a particular moment both in history and in the speaker's own life. Explain.
- b) Discuss 'Requiem' as a poem of memorial and mourning.
- B) Write a short note on any one of the following:

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- a) The involvement of the Gods in human affairs as revealed in Canto XIV of The Iliad.
- b) Meditations on 'death' in 'Absent Soul'.
- c) Images of horror in the poem 'In Warsaw'.

SECTION - B

(Short Fiction)

II. A) Answer any one of the following:

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- a) How does Tolstoy's protagonist discover the true meaning of existence in 'Where love is, God is'?
- b) Kafka's 'A Hunger Artist' juxtaposes asceticism and consumerism. Elucidate.
- B) Write a short note on any one of the following:

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- a) The impact of the gospel on Martin.
- b) The 'wall' as symbol.

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SECTION-C

(Essays)

| 111. | A) | Answer any one of the following: | 15 |
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| | | a) How according to Barry does Post-modernism differ from Modernism? | |
| | | b) Discuss the Formalist approach to Marvell's 'To His Coy Mistress'. | |
| | B) | Write a short note on any one of the following: | 5 |
| | | a) Cultural Materialism. | |
| | | b) A Feminist reading of the 'Mistress' in Marvell's poem. | |
| | | SECTION - D | |
| | | (Drama-Antigone) | |
| IV. | A) | Answer any one of the following: | 15 |
| | | a) Discuss how the differences between Antigone and Ismene as women determine the choices they make in the play? | |
| | | b) Discuss Creon as a tragic hero. | |
| | B) | Write a short note on any one of the following: | 5 |
| | | a) The Choral odes | |
| | | b) Teiresias' revelation | |
| | | c) Antigone's rebellion. | |
| | | SECTION – E | |
| | | (Drama-The Cherry Orchard) | |
| | A) | Answer any one of the following; | 15 |
| | | a) How do the working class and the aristocracy in the play respond to the social and political transformation in Russia? | |
| | | b) Comment on the treatment of love in Anton Chekhov's play. | |
| | B) | Write a short note on any one of the following: | 5 |
| | | a) Charalotte | |
| | | b) Gaev's imaginary game of billiards | |
| | | c) Fiers' death. | |
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