

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)

MA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2023
(Fourth Semester)

Branch – ENGLISH

EXPLORING RECENT TRENDS IN LITERATURE

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 50 Marks

SECTION-A (5 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks (5 x 1 = 5)

- 1 What is used by Cinematographer Alex Disenhof as a symbol of the flight from the American Southwest to Mexico?
(i) crow (ii) raven
(iii) butterfly (iv) eagle
- 2 What is the theme of “Who Moved My Cheese” ?
(i) political turmoil (ii) India and Pakistan border
(iii) feelings of patients (iv) change and uncertainty
- 3 What is the background setting of “Delhi Calm” by Vishwajyoti Ghosh?
(i) 1960 (ii) 1970
(iii) 1980 (iv) 1990
- 4 What disease affects Hazel?
(i) cancer (ii) aids
(iii) heart attack (iv) corona
- 5 What period is dealt in “The Book Thief”?
(i) World War I (ii) World War II
(iii) Civil War (iv) Cold War

SECTION - B (15 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks (5 x 3 = 15)

- 6 a. Outline the summary of Paul Theroux's novel “The Mosquito Coast”.
OR
b. Survey the adventure pictured in Paul Theroux’s “The Mosquito Coast”.
- 7 a. Justify the changes in life depicted in “Who Moved My Cheese?” by Spencer Johnson.
OR
b. Show the importance of relationships insisted by Richard S Gallagher.
8. a. Justify: “Delhi Calm” is a satire on political times on Emergency.
OR
b. Measure the historical events reflected in “Persepolis” by Marjane Satrapi.
- 9 a. Distinguish the nature and qualities of Eric in “Divergent”.
OR
b. Illustrate the theme of suffering pictured in John Green’s “The Fault in Our Stars”.
- 10 a. Examine the problems of day to day life in “Secrets of Kashmir Valley” by Farhana Qazi.
OR
b. Extend the theme of weariness and remorse as in “The Book Thief” by Markus Zusak.

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SECTION -C (30 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (5 x 6 = 30)

- 11 a. Evaluate the aspects of idealism with special reference to "The Mosquito Coast".
OR
b. Infer the mythic elements through "It Happened Along the Kaveri: A Journey Through Space and Time" by Padma.
- 12 a. Outline the critical appreciation of "Who Moved My Cheese?" by Dr. Spencer Johnson.
OR
b. Discover the characterization of Dr. Spencer Johnson through "Who Moved my Cheese?"
- 13 a. Identify the graphic elements in "Delhi Calm" by Vishwajyoti Ghosh.
OR
b. Inspect the message given in 'Islamic Revolution' through "Persepolis".
- 14 a. Discuss: "Divergent" is a post-apocalyptic version by Veronica Roth.
OR
b. Inspect: "The Fault in Our Stars" narrates the journey and worries of life.
- 15 a. Construct an essay on India's conflict with Pakistan through Farhana Qazi's "Secrets of Kashmir Valley".
OR
b. Evaluate the humans nature pictured in "The Book Thief" by Markus Zusak.

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