

Exam Date & Time: 29-Sep-2020 (10:00 AM - 01:45 PM)



## PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

Note: Writing 3hrs: Checking & Inserting Image : 30mins

BA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2020  
(Sixth Semester)

Branch - ENGLISH

POSTCOLONIAL LITERATURE [14ENU20]

Marks: 75

Duration: 210 mins.

### PART - A

Answer 5 out of 10 questions.

#### SECTION - A (Poetry)

Annotate the following passages choosing not more than three from each section:

- 1) "Old England is eaten by Knaves  
Yet her heart is all right at the core,  
May she never be the mother of slaves,  
Nor a foreign foe land on her shore". (4)
- 2) "Because my fathers and I  
are owned by the living  
warmth of the earth,  
through our naked feet". (4)
- 3) There is so much I don't recall,  
They stand,  
Timid, waving to watch me go, barely  
Visible in the window's copper sheen. (4)
- 4) Little brother said his goldfinch  
Sand the loudest of all birds,  
So that he should not hear his poor leg  
And feel too sorry about it. (4)
- 5) The sealed box  
has defied  
all identity,  
has even stopped speculation  
about the way you died. (4)
- 6) (4)

They are blind and will never know  
you did this to them. The water  
recomposes itself.

Snagged  
by two cultures, which  
shall I choose?

7) **SECTION – B** (Drama)

Is it a weaker breed who pounds the yam (4)  
Or bends all day to plant the millet  
With a child strapped to her back?

8) The woman gets lost in the woods one day (4)  
And every wood deity dies the next.

9) They marked the route with stakes, ate (4)  
Through the jungle and began the tracks. Trade,  
Progress, adventure, success, civilization,  
Fame, international conspicuousity ..... it was  
All within the grasp of Ilujinle.

10) The well of living, tapped beyond its depth (4)  
Dries up and mocks the wastrel in the end.

**PART - B**

Answer all the questions.

Answer the following questions in not more than 600 words:

11) Describe the power of winter on the wilderness of Canada. (11)

a)

[OR]

b) "An African is a burden of sufferings" – Explain with reference to the poem (11)  
"I thank you God".

12) How does the poem "To a students" explain the horror of Srilanka? What (11)  
could be the remedy?

a)

[OR]

b) Describe the elegiac quality of the poem "Elegy for My Son". (11)

13) Attempt a character sketch of Lakunle in the play *The Lion and the Jewel*. (11)

a)

[OR]  
b)

Describe the comic elements in the play *The Lion and Jewel*.

(11)

14)

Describe the theme of injustice in the novel *Cry the beloved country*?

(11)

a)

[OR]  
b)

Examine the theme of reconciliation in the novel *Cry the beloved country*.

(11)

15)

Expound the significance of post colonialism in the writings of common wealth countries.

(11)

a)

[OR]  
b)

Analyse the narrative techniques of postcolonial literature.

(11)

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