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**MID TERM EXAMINATION – SET B**

**Winter Semester:** 2021 - 22

**Course Code:** ENG 1008

**Course Name:** Indian Literature

**Program & Sem:** B. Tech & II Sem

**Date:** 13/May/2022

**Time:** 01:30 PM – 03:00 PM

**Max Marks:** 50

**Weightage:** 25%

**Instructions:**

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**(10Qx2M=20M)**

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### **Part B [Thought Provoking Questions]**

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**Time:** 01:00 PM to 04:00 PM

**Max Marks:** 100

**Weightage:** 50%

**Instructions:**

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(iv) Complete the test within the time given.

**Part A [Memory Recall Questions]**

**Answer all the Questions. Each question carries TWO marks.**

**(20Qx2M=40M)**

1. Who is the Chief Priest in *The Fire and the Rain*? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Parvasu (b) Arvasu (c) Vishaka (d) Yavakri
2. Which is the following is the source for *The Fire and the Rain*? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Ramayana (b) Mahabharatha (c) Gita (d) Bible
3. Who is Nittilai in the Play? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Innocent girl (b) poor girl (c) a tribal girl (d) unmarried girl
4. How many acts are there in the play *The Fire and The Rain*? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) One (b) two (c) four (d) three
5. Who plays the role of Lord Indra? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Actor manager (b) Arvasu (c) Parvasu (d) Brother of actor manager
6. Who is Vishakha in the play? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Wife of Parvasu (b) wife of Arvasu (c) wife of Yavakri (d) wife of Raibhya
7. Who created 'Bramha Rakshasa Kritya' in the play? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Raibhya (b) Bharadwaj (c) Parvasu (d) Arvasu
8. Who is murdered by Kritya? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Parvasu (b) Nittilai (c) Raibhya (d) Yavakri
9. Who killed Raibhya? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Parvasu (b) Arvasu (c) Yavakri (d) Andhaka
10. Who is Vishwarupa's brother? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Nittilai (b) Vtita (c) Andhaka (d) Arvasu
11. Who killed Vishwarupa? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Lord Indra (b) Vrita (c) Arvasu (d) Nittilai
12. What did Arvasu ask to Lord Indra? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) Rebirth of Nittilai (b) Release of Bramha Rakshasa (c) Rain (d) Death
13. Why did Arvasu go to Nittilai's village? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
(a) To meet Nittilai (b) To propose Nittilai (c) to elope with Nittilai (d) to fight

14. In the “Epilogue” of the play, what was the crowd demanding to Arvasu to ask to Lord Indra? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
 (a) Salvation (b) Rain (c) Fire (d) Rebirth
15. In the “Epilogue” of the play, which action of Arvasu pleased Lord Indra? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
 (a) Love for Nittilai (b) Respect for his brother (c) Chasing of Lord Indra (d) None
16. Who wants to be escaped from the immortality and die? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
 (a) Lord Indra (b) Parvasu (c) Bramharakshasa (d) Vritra
17. Who did grab Yavakri at the entrance of his father’s hermitage?(C.O. No. 3)[Knowledge]  
 (a) Arvasu (b) Parvasu (c) Andhaka (d) Vishaka
18. When Arvasu lost his control during his acting who identified that “It’s mask – it’s the mask come alive”? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
 (a) The King (b) Arvasu (c) Paravsau (d) Actor Manager
19. Who is Andhaka in the play? (C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
 (a) Yavakri’s servant (b) Parvasu’s servant (c) Arvasu’s servat (d) courtier
20. Who is accused of patricide in the play, The Fire and the Rain?(C.O. No. 3) [Knowledge]  
 (a) Arvasu (b) Parvasu (c) Bramha Rakshasha (d) Vishaka

### Part B [Thought Provoking Questions]

Answer all questions. Each question carries EIGHT marks.

(5Qx8M=40M)

21. Portray the relationships between Mir and Mirza as it is portrayed in the story, “The Chess Players.” (C.O. No. 2) [Comprehension]
22. Elucidate the significance of *chess* in the “The Chess Players.” (C.O. No. 2) [Comprehension]
23. What was the reason for Gandhi’s dislike for gymnastics? Explain Gandhi’s take on physical exercise. (C.O. No. 2) [Comprehension]
24. Sketch the antagonist of the fiction you have selected. (C.O. No. 2) [Comprehension]
25. Discuss the ending plot of the fiction you have selected. (C.O. No. 2) [Comprehension]

### Part C [Problem Solving Questions]

Answer the following question. Each question carries TWENTY marks.

(1Qx20M=20M)

26. Explain the main plot of the fiction you have selected and discuss the struggle of the protagonist to win over the antagonist. (C.O. No.4) [Application]