

U.G. 4th Semester Examination-2026**ENGLISH****[Ability Enhancement Course (AEC)]****Course Code : ENG-AEC(MIL)-T-1****(Indian Writing in English)****[NEP-2020]****SET-II / 2nd HALF****Full Marks : 40****Time : 90 Minutes****Instructions to the Candidates:**

- Candidates will be provided with a question cum answer booklet.
- The booklet contains 25 number of (MCQ) questions. Each question carrying 2 Marks. Candidates will attempt 20 questions of the following. Choose the correct alternative and put a tick (✓) mark beside given box.
- Candidates must fill up his/her Registration Number, Year & Roll Number in the space provided.
- Do not make any rough work on the answer booklet.
- At the end of the examination please return the answer booklet to the invigilator.

Registration No.**Year****Roll Number****Signature of the Invigilator***[Turn over]*

Answer any **twenty (20)** questions of the following. [Choose the correct option and put a **tick (✓)** mark beside given box]:

2×20=40

1. What is Selvi in R. K. Narayan's story famous for?
 - a) Painting ☐
 - b) Singing ☐
 - c) Acting ☐
2. What best describes Mohan in "Selvi"?
 - a) Humble and shy ☐
 - b) Carefree and irresponsible ☐
 - c) Controlling and ambitious ☐
3. Which among the following best describes the main theme of "Selvi"?
 - a) Personal freedom ☐
 - b) Love for nature ☐
 - c) Freedom struggle ☐
4. Which emotion is most strongly expressed in Henry Louis Vivian Derozio's "The Orphan Girl"?
 - a) Pride ☐
 - b) Compassion ☐
 - c) Humour ☐
5. What does Derozio mainly emphasize through the orphan girl's suffering?
 - a) The importance of courage ☐
 - b) Human sympathy for the helpless ☐
 - c) Beauty of nature ☐
6. Which of the following is the closest in meaning to the word 'guerdon' in "The Orphan Girl"?
 - a) Reward ☐
 - b) Guardian ☐
 - c) Tragedy ☐

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7. In "The Orphan Girl", 'life's dreary desert' implies
- a) joys and comforts of life ☐
 - b) exciting journeys of life ☐
 - c) life's difficult struggles ☐
8. Miss Pushpa's father was a
- a) famous doctor ☐
 - b) famous advocate ☐
 - c) dedicated teacher ☐
9. Miss Pushpa was
- a) a socially agreeable character ☐
 - b) a dedicated daughter ☐
 - c) witty and ambitious ☐
10. In "Our Casuarina Tree", the word 'casement' means
- a) window or door ☐
 - b) roof ☐
 - c) courtyard ☐
11. What does the casuarina tree mainly symbolize in Toru Dutt's poem?
- a) Wealth and power ☐
 - b) Love and memory ☐
 - c) Fear of nature ☐
12. Which of the following is closest in meaning of the 'dirge-like murmur' in "Our Casuarina Tree"?
- a) melancholy whisper ☐
 - b) merry melody ☐
 - c) joyful song ☐

13. The word 'talon' in "Of Mothers, among other things" means
- a) claws ☐
 - b) basket ☐
 - c) food ☐
14. Which image does Ramanujan use to symbolize his mother's hardwork?
- a) her sari ☐
 - b) her spectacles ☐
 - c) her worn fingers ☐
15. What does the poet mainly remember about his mother in "Of Mothers, among other things"?
- a) her wealth ☐
 - b) her care and sacrifices ☐
 - c) her political activities ☐
16. Which of the following is best evident in "Of Mothers, among other things"?
- a) Satire ☐
 - b) Comic exaggeration ☐
 - c) Tender imagery ☐
17. The town of Kishorganj in Nirad C. Chaudhuri's childhood had grown around a
- a) lake ☐
 - b) seashore ☐
 - c) river ☐
18. Boat race at Kishorganj usually took place during
- a) summer months ☐
 - b) monsoon season ☐
 - c) winter ☐

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19. One important hazard to the huts at Kishorganj was
- ☐ a) cyclones ☐
 - ☐ b) wild elephants ☐
 - ☐ c) earthquakes ☐
20. The word 'punting' in Nirad C. Chaudhuri's "Kishoreganj (My Birthplace)" is related to
- ☐ a) boating ☐
 - ☐ b) hunting ☐
 - ☐ c) hut repairing ☐
21. The power of boats at Kishorganj were graded in terms of
- ☐ a) their length ☐
 - ☐ b) their beautiful designs ☐
 - ☐ c) the number of boatmen ☐
22. What is Amal confined indoors in *The Post Office*?
- ☐ a) He has a broken leg ☐
 - ☐ b) He is being punished ☐
 - ☐ c) He has an illness ☐
23. What is being built opposite to Amal's house?
- ☐ a) A school ☐
 - ☐ b) A post office ☐
 - ☐ c) A temple ☐
24. Which character keeps Amal entertained in *The Post Office*?
- ☐ a) Thakurda ☐
 - ☐ b) The watchman ☐
 - ☐ c) The village headman ☐

25. Who arrives at the end of *The Post Office* on the King's behalf?

- a) The King's physician
- b) The village headman
- c) The curd seller

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