

B.A. -10
Third Year Examination 2012
BEGE – 108

Reading the Novel

Time: 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks: 60

The Question Paper is divided into three Sections, A, B and C. Follow the instructions given at the beginning of each section.

Section A

(Long-Answer Questions)

Note: Answer *any two* questions. Each question carries 15 marks. 2x15 = 30

1. What are the different methods of characterisation known to a novelist? Point out the main difference between the two important ones.
2. Discuss Dickens's treatment of "home" in *A Tale of Two Cities*.
3. *Things Fall Apart* is both specific and universal in character. How?
4. Which of the three novels in this paper – *The Awakening*, *A Tale of Two Cities*, and *Things Fall Apart* – did you like the most? Why?

Section B

(Short-Answer Questions)

Note: Answer *any four* questions. Each question carries 5 marks. 4x5 = 20

1. What is the main difference between an idea and a theme?
2. Write a short note on the use of symbolism in *The Awakening*.
3. What are the two "worlds" represented in *A Tale of Two Cities*.

4. Write a short note on Dickens's humanism.
5. Why was Okonkwo ashamed of his father Unoka?
6. Why does Achebe call himself an 'ancient worshipper'?
7. What does the term 'diaspora' mean?
8. what is the theme in *The Awakening*?

Section C

Objective Questions (Compulsory)

Answer all questions. Each question carries 01 mark.

10x1 = 10

Write True/False against the following:

1. *The Awakening* is the story of a twenty eight year old Creole woman living in New York.
2. *A Tale of Two Cities* begins with Jarvis Lorry embarking on a strange mission.
3. The depiction of poverty in *A Tale of Two Cities* is not realistic.
4. *Things Fall Apart* is the third novel written by Chinua Achebe.
5. Bankim Chandra Chatterjee was the first Indian novelist to write in English.

Choose the correct alternative:

6. Creoles descended from
 - a. The French
 - b. The British
 - c. The Native American
 - d. None of the above

7. The two narrative lines adopted in *A Tale of Two Cities* are
- a. The personal and the psychological
 - b. The personal and the political
 - c. The political and the psychoanalytical
 - d. None of the above
8. Which one of the following is not a major ethnic group in Nigeria?
- a. The Bordo
 - b. The Hausa
 - c. The Fulani
 - d. The Yoruba
9. Which one of the following is not a book written by Achebe?
- a. *Things Fall Apart*
 - b. *No Longer at Ease*
 - c. *On the River Nile*
 - d. *Arrow of God*
10. Which one of the following was the first Indian novel written in English?
- a. *The Home and the World*
 - b. *Rajmohan's Wife*
 - c. *The Slave Girl of Agra*
 - d. *Bianca*

KEY

1. False. She lives in New Orleans.
2. True
3. False
4. False - it's first novel
5. True
6. A. The French
7. B personal political
8. A - bordo
9. C on the river....
10. B Rajmohan's wife