

INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH- II

UNIT – I

Two Marks.

1. Where is the Indian Harp now?
The Indian Harp is hanging lonely on a dried branch.
2. Why has the Harp now become silent now?
The harp has become silent because of the British Supremacy.
3. Why is the Harp unstrung?
The Harp without strings won't be able to produce any music. So it left unstrung.
4. What has happened to those hands now?
Now those hands are cold, that is, the poets of the past are dead.
5. Why no one hears the Harp?
No one hears the Harp because the present generation neglects the best poetry of the past.
6. Write a note on Death.
Death has over conquering power and all mortals bow down before him.
7. What did Savitri do?
Savitri conquered Death by her tremendous love; she fought and won against Lord Yama to get back her husband life from him.
8. What did the Poetess dream?
The poetess dreamt that her love had set her husband free from death.
9. What did she realize when she awake?
She realized her husband is not brought back from death.
10. Why was her love helpless?
She felt that, though her love is great, it is not useful to bring back her husband alive.

Paragraph

1. Bring out the feelings of the poet for the Indian harp.
2. What does the poet want to do with Indians?
3. Describe the dream of the Poetess?
4. What happened in reality of the Poetess?

Essay

1. Write a critical appreciation on The Harp of India.
Introduction – Part I – Part II – Symbols – Post colonial effect – Conclusion
2. Write an essay on the dream of the Poetess.
Introduction – Mythology- Dream – Love in Reality – Conclusion

UNIT – II

Two Marks

1. Why is stillness recommended?
Stillness is recommended because it is in stillness that one listens to the stirrings of the soul.
2. What are the themes of the poetry?
Poetry, Love and Bird watching are the themes.
3. What does the poet wait for?
The poet waits for right words and right to images to compose the line of the poetry.
4. Write a note on the images of the poetry.
It is evocative and suggestive.
5. What does the lover wait for?
The lover waits for his ladylove to turn to him.
6. What does A.K.Ramanujan express in the poem?
He expresses his impressions about his mother during various stages of life.
7. What has happened to the poet's mother?

Now the poet's mother's radiant beauty and cheerfulness have vanished.

8. What happened to poet's mother's finger?
Her finger got damaged in a garden mouse trap.
9. To what the poet compare his mother's wrinkled hands?
He compares it with eagle's black pink crippled feet.
10. Describe the beauty of the poet's mother?
She was so beautiful and delicate like the white petals of flower.

Paragraph

1. Write a paragraph on the images of 'Poet, Lover, Bird Watcher'.
2. How the trio will be rewarded?
3. Why does the poet feel painful?
4. Write a paragraph on the various stages of the poet's mother.

Essay

1. Bring out the evolution of thought in 'Poet, Lover, Bird Watcher'.
Introduction – Theme of the Poem-
Common qualities of the Trio- Need of Stillness- Rewards – Conclusion
2. Bring out the impressions of A.K. Ramanujan's 'Of Mother, Among Other Things'.
Introduction – Theme – Various Stages of Mother – Imagery – Symbols – Conclusion

UNIT – III

Two Marks

1. What was the result of Gandhi's reading books on vegetarianism?
He turned out to be a vegetarian.
2. What was the principal consideration of Gandhi?

Health was his principal consideration of Gandhi.

3. What was Gandhi's friend remark on Gandhi?
Gandhi was too clumsy for decent society.
4. Write a note on the recluse in the fable.
The recluse in fable kept a cat to drive away the rats and then had a cow to feed the cat with milk and then a man to look after the cow and so on.
5. Write a note on motif of Gandhi in England.
He wants to be a perfect Gentleman.
6. What did Kalam inherit from his mother?
Kalam inherited faith in goodness and deep kindness from his mother.
7. What does Kalam say about his childhood?
He was secured both materially and emotionally.
8. What did Jalaluddin talk about to Kalam?
He talked about educated people, modern scientific discoveries, contemporary literature, and achievements of medical science.
9. How did STR Manikam help Kalam?
He helped Kalam with lending books from his house library.

Paragraph:

1. Write a short notes on the influence of dietetic books on Gandhi.
2. What were the efforts made by Gandhi's friend to change him?
3. Describe Jallaludin's influence on Kalam.
4. Write a paragraph on Kalam's science teacher.

Essay

1. Describe the efforts made by Gandhi to become an English Gentleman.
Introduction – Faith in Vegetarianism – Friendly Tussle – French class – violin class – Conclusion

- Bring out Kalam's views on the power of prayer.

Introduction – Childhood days – What is Prayer – Explanation – Conclusion

UNIT-IV

Two Marks

- Where do the Flames meet?
The flames meet in the ruined temple
- How can the Man save his life?
He can save his life by not sleeping on that Night.
- What did the saint tell the man?
The saint told the Man that he must be awake at least one whole night of that month, otherwise he would die at the end of the month.
- Who gave the three pieces of the root to Kurudavva?
A saint gave it to Kurudavva as a gift for her hospitality.
- Why was Kappanna named so?
The name Kappanna implies darkness, but he is so fair. As his mother is blind, she mistakenly named him so.

Paragraph:

- Write short notes on Flames.
- Write a short note on Story and Song.
- Bring out the significance of Kurudavva.
- Write a paragraph on the love between Naga and Rani.

Essay:

- Write a critical appreciation of Naga Mandala.
Introduction – Themes – List of characters – Story within story – Love between Naga and Rani – Appanna's Anger – Dilemma in Appanna's mind – climax – conclusion.

UNIT-V

Two Marks:

- Who is Daya Ram?
He is Munoo's uncle. He is a peon in Imperial Bank.
- Who is Bibiji?
She is Bibi Uttam Kaur, the wife of Babu Nathoo Ram.
- Who is W.P. England?
He is the chief cashier of the Imperial Bank.
- What does the novel, 'Coolie' portray?
The novel 'Coolie' portrays the sufferings of a poor boy and how gruesome the world is.
- Who is Sauda?
Sauda is the leader of workers at Sir George White Cotton Mills in Bombay.

Paragraph:

- Bring out the Humanism in Coolie.
- Write a paragraph on the satire in Coolie.
- Enumerate the pathos in the novel Coolie.
- Write a paragraph on the sufferings of Munoo.
- List out the characters in Coolie.

Essay:

- Write an essay on the sufferings of Munno.
Introduction – Themes – Sufferings in home- sufferings in work – Final days – conclusion.
- Enumerate the societal issues portrayed through the novel Coolie
Introduction – Themes – Domestic violence - Guardian's misuse – Cheating – discrimination – conclusion.