

FOURTH SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2016
(CUCBCSS—UG)

Common Course—English

A 06—READINGS IN FICTION AND NON-FICTION

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following questions by choosing the correct answer :

1 Kappirikalude Nattil is a :

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| (a) Film. | (b) Travelogue. |
| (c) Novel. | (d) Biography. |

2 The name of Nyasaland now is :

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| (a) Nigeria. | (b) Rhodesia. |
| (c) Liberia. | (d) Malawi. |

3 Beira is the second largest city in _____.

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| (a) Zambia. | (b) Zimbabwe. |
| (c) Malawi. | (d) Mozambique. |

4 Meena Alexander was born in :

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| (a) Allahabad. | (b) Hyderabad. |
| (c) Ahmedabad. | (d) Secunderabad. |

5 Lilongwe district is in _____.

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| (a) South Nyasaland. | (b) North Nyasaland. |
| (c) East Nyasaland. | (d) West Nyasaland. |

6 Name the book by Sunil Gavaskar :

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| (a) Playing It My Way. | (b) Savli Premachi. |
| (c) One Day Wonders. | (d) Straight From The Heart. |

7 The autobiographical work of S. K. Pottekkatt is :

- (a) Oru Desathinte Katha. (b) Oru Theruvinte Katha.
(c) Kappirikalude Nattil. (d) Ente Vazhiyambalangal.

8 The word 'Baniya' in an English Dictionary means :

- (a) An African heathen. (b) An American heathen.
(c) A Nigerian heathen. (d) An Indian heathen.

9 Which is third largest lake in Africa ?

- (a) Lake Malawi. (b) Victoria Lake.
(c) Nyasa Lake. (d) Zambesi.

10 Swahili means :

- (a) The language of the coastal land.
(b) The language of the tribal land.
(c) A tribal group.
(d) Coastal group.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer any ten of the following in a sentence or two :

- 11 What is a travelogue ? Mention few travelogues of S. K. Pottekkatt.
12 Name the movie Rameeza Be so with her husband in Sagar Talkies and narrate the incident.
13 What is a native town ?
14 How did the orange sellers stage their protest ?
15 What is the difference between an autobiography and a biography ?
16 How did the coaching camp organized by the Board of Control at Hyderabad help Gavaskar ?
17 What did Lord Curzon say about the Victoria Falls ?
18 Why did the author call Beira 'a source of great relief for Indians' when compared to other places in Africa ?
19 What is baobab ?
20 What was the advice of Gavaskar's first coach when he was a young cricketer ?
21 Where did Maitreyamma keep her pet snake ?
22 How did the Gujarati shop owners selling cloth to the natives in Africa villages deceive them ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following in a *paragraph* :

- 23 Write a brief note on the Swahili lang ?
- 24 Briefly discuss the character of Ramu.
- 25 Briefly describe the two experiences of Gavaskar that made him aware of the importance of physical fitness.
- 26 Throw light on the incident at the Customs office in Beira.
- 27 Explore the life and custom of the wagago tribesmen in *In the Land of the Kappiris*.
- 28 Talk about the achievement of Gavaskar as a school cricketer.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Write an essay on any *two* of the following in not more than 300 words :

- 29 Comment on Meena's search for identity in *Nampally Road*.
- 30 Write about Indians in African Government service.
- 31 Discuss the significance of Rameeza's suffering in the novel.
- 32 Write down the career-defining experiences of Gavaskar from his school days to the pinnacle of his career.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)