

B.A. Semester III (Honours) Examination, 2018-19**ENGLISH****Course ID: 30313****Course Code: AHENG-303C-7****Course Title: Indian Writing in English****Time: 2 Hours****Full Marks: 40***The figures in the margin indicate full marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

1. Answer *any one* of the following questions: 10×1=10
 - (a) “Swami is a representation of Pre-Independence Indian adolescence.”– Discuss.
 - (b) “Malgudi can be a place located anywhere in the world, yet it is also unmistakably Indian.”– Discuss the given statement in the light of your study of R. K. Narayan’s *Swami and Friends*.
2. Answer *any one* of the following questions: 10×1=10
 - (a) Do you consider Kamala Das to be a confessional poet? Justify by citing examples from the poems in your syllabus.
 - (b) Give a critical appreciation of Nissim Ezekiel’s poem, “Night of the Scorpion.”
3. Answer *any one* of the following questions: 10×1=10
 - (a) Comment on the significance of the title “The Two Lady Rams”.
 - (b) What does Rushdie say about the meeting between the old Indian culture and the modern western culture in his short story, “The Free Radio”?
4. Answer *any five* of the following questions: 2×5=10
 - (a) What is the title of the opening chapter of R. K. Narayan’s novel and why is it so called?
 - (b) What was Swami’s attitude towards his new born brother?
 - (c) Why did Swami decide to run away?
 - (d) What did MCC mean?
 - (e) What was Swami’s parting gift to Rajam?
 - (f) What is the significance of the epigraph of “Freedom to the Slave”?
 - (g) How is the orphan girl described towards the beginning of the poem, “The Orphan Girl”?
 - (h) To which collection of poems does Nissim Ezekiel’s poem ‘Enterprise’ belong?
 - (i) Explain the phrase “guerdon of the brave” in Derozio’s poem “The Orphan Girl”?
 - (j) Why does Kamala Das wistfully look back to her Grandmother’s House?