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M. A. (English) – (F) 2025-2026

Course VI: Indian Writing in English

ASSIGNMENT – 1

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) Write a note on the importance of Soob Row's Report.
- 2) Comment on Macaulay's attitude towards Indians and Indian systems of knowledge and science.

Section B

- 3) Write about the "Use of myth in Toru Dutt".
- 4) Explain the issue of gender in the novel Saguna.

ASSIGNMENT – 2

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) Critically comment on the Untouchable.
- 2) Critically comment on
 - a) 'The Train' in Khushwant Singh's Train to Pakistan
 - b) 'Sexuality' in Ismat Chughtai's Lihaaf

Section B

- 3) Write a brief note on
 - a) the crucial characters in the play Mother of 1084
 - b) the concept of childhood as it is dealt with in Volga's Ayoni
- 4) Write a short essay on the contradictions concerning the introduction of English education in India and on how they have been resolved.



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Course VII: Aspects of Language and their Relation to Literature

ASSIGNMENT – 1

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) Write a short essay on the organization of Discourse.
- 2) Discuss briefly on Austin's Speech Act theory.

Section B

- 3) Write a short note on
 - a) the dual bases of language
 - b) performance as a creative activity
- 4) Discuss some forms of prose as a literary language.

ASSIGNMENT – 2

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) Critically comment on Post-Structuralism and language.
- 2) Discuss Derrida's Notions of Language.

Section B

- 3) Write a short note on
 - a) Narratology
 - b) Structure of the Short Story
- 4) Write a short note on
 - a) Indian language and Literature
 - b) Body Language and Silent Language



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Course VIII: English in Use: The Abilities of Individuals

ASSIGNMENT – 1

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Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) Write a note on how varieties of English came into being.
- 2) What does 'knowing a language' mean? Explain with examples.

Section B

- 3) Write a note on Word Level Strategies.
- 4) Discuss on Faulty Reading Habits.

ASSIGNMENT – 2

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) How do you describe writing as a process of creating a new text?
- 2) What roles do proficiency in grammar and vocabulary play in the process of writing?

Section B

- 3) What are the skills involved in speaking and listening?
- 4) List the differences between a presentation and an assignment in with reference to the nature of language used.



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Course IX: Indian English Literature

ASSIGNMENT – 1

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) Discuss Derozio's poetry of social change.
- 2) Is India the 'great house' in Ramanujan's poem?

Section B

- 3) What are the three themes connected to the theme of individualism in Indian women's poetry?
- 4) Mention the three ways through which Diaspora literature the exile's consciousness in three ways.

ASSIGNMENT – 2

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) What aspects of the Indian state and politics come in for attention in Mistry's *A Fine Balance*?
- 2) Mention the ways in which history is worked through in the postmodern Indian novel.

Section B

- 3) Write an essay on mysticism in Aurobindo's poetry.
- 4) How does 'nation' figure as a theme in early Indian fiction in English?



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Course X: English Language Teaching in India

ASSIGNMENT – 1

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Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) What are the major approaches to English language teaching that have been followed in India?
- 2) Write a critical essay on the roles of English teachers in the language class room.

Section B

- 3) Write a short note on
 - a) BICS
 - b) CALP
- 4) What is the difference between exercise, activity and task?

ASSIGNMENT – 2

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15

Section A

- 1) Why is it essential for a teacher to be informed about the language system and the principles of language learning?
- 2) Explain how theoretical positions have had an impact on the practices of teaching English in schools and colleges in India.

Section B

- 3) Write a short note on
 - a) different types of language tests.
 - b) acculturation
- 4) Write a short note on
 - a) B F Skinner's concept of language as verbal behaviour
 - b) the features of the communicative language classrooms.