

Examination: Ph.D. English

Section 1 - Section 1

Question No.1

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Question No.2

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Bookmark

Match the following:

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|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1) <i>Disgrace</i> | a) Gabriel García Márquez |
| 2) <i>My Name is Red</i> | b) Kamila Shamsie |
| 3) <i>One Hundred Years of Solitude</i> | c) J. M. Coetzee |
| 4) <i>Burnt Shadows</i> | d) Orhan Pamuk |

- 1-b; 2-a; 3-c; 4-d
 1-c; 2-d; 3-a; 4-b
 1-d; 2-b; 3-a; 4-c
 1-a; 2-c; 3-b; 4-d

Question No.3

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Bookmark Who is the translator of the Tamil writer Bama's *Karukku*?

- Edith Grossman
 K. S. Subramanian
 Vasantha Surya
 Lakshmi Holmström

Question No.4

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Bookmark

The richest Booker Literary Prize is sponsored by

- Booker- McConnell
 Booker- Mayor
 Booker- Macdonald
 Cory Booker

Question No.5

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Bookmark In Yann Martel's *Life of Pi*, the protagonist's father owns a zoo in _____.

- Pondicherry
 Madurai
 Coimbatore
 Trichy

Question No.6

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Bookmark

The literary genre that focuses on the psychological and moral growth of the protagonist from young age to adulthood is _____.

- Autobiography
- Spiritual autobiography
- Memoir
- Bildungsroman

Question No.7

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Bookmark

Identify the RIGHT pair:

- "The medium is the message"—Marshall McLuhan
- "Culture is ordinary"—Edward Said
- "There is nothing outside of the text"—Jean-François Lyotard
- "The personal is political"—Simone de Beauvoir

Question No.8

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Bookmark

Being awarded the Best Singer in 2010 marked a _____ in her life.

- sign-post
- milestone
- yardstick
- memorial

Question No.9

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Bookmark

GirishKamad's play *Hayavadana* is based on _____.

- a Chinese legend
- Odyssey*
- an Indian Folktale
- Thomas Mann's *The Transposed Heads*

Question No.10

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Bookmark

The 2015 sequel to Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird* is _____.

- The Color Purple*
- Go Set a Watchman*
- Beloved*
- Invisible Man*

Question No.11

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Bookmark

Which of the following was NOT written by Chaucer?

- The Legend of Good Women*
- The House of Fame*
- Le Morted'Arthur*
- The Book of the Duchess*

Question No.12

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Bookmark

Who among the following was associated with Bloomsbury group in England?

- Iris Murdoch
- Jane Austen
- Emily Bronte
- Virginia Woolf

Question No.13

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Bookmark

The Toni Morrison novel based on a real life incident is _____.

- Tar Baby*
- Song of Solomon*
- Paradise*
- Beloved*

Question No.14

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Bookmark

Statement: Ten Candidates, who were on the waiting list could finally be admitted to the course.

Assumptions:

I. A large of number of candidates were on the waiting list.

II. Wait listed candidates do not ordinarily get admission.

- If neither I nor II is implicit
- If both I and II are implicit
- If only assumption II is implicit
- If only assumption I is implicit

Question No.15

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Bookmark

The period of Victorian Age is

- 1798 – 1832
- 1832 – 1901
- 1835 – 1900
- 1789 – 1837

Question No.16

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Bookmark

Study the following information carefully and answer the question below it

Lakshman passes through seven lanes to reach his school. He finds that 'Truth lane' is between his house and 'Lie lane'. The third lane from his school is 'Karma lane'. 'Dharma lane' is immediately before the 'Yog lane'. He passes 'Salvation lane' at the end, 'Lie lane' is between 'Truth lane' and 'Dharma lane', the sixth lane from his house is 'Devotion lane'.

If Lakshman's house, each lane and his school are equidistant and he takes 2 minutes to pass one lane, then how long will he take to reach school from his house?

- 15 minutes
- 16 minutes
- 13 minutes
- 14 minutes

Question No.17

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Bookmark

U. R. Anantha Murthy's novel *Samskara* (1965) was translated into English by _____.

- Ganesh Devy
- R. Parthasarthy
- Girish Karnad
- A. K. Ramanujan

Question No.18

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Bookmark

A Novel Without a Hero is the subtitle of

- Dryden's *All for Love*
- Orwell's *Animal Farm*
- Eliot's *Silas Marner*
- Thackeray's *Vanity Fair*

Question No.19

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Bookmark

Who said that in metaphysical poetry "heterogeneous ideas are yoked by violence together"?

- Cleanth Brooks
- John Dryden
- Samuel Johnson
- T. S. Eliot

Question No.20

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Bookmark

Choose the best antonym of the italicized word.

The deliberate *suavity* of Olaf's behavior made the emotions of the audience volatile.

- stupidity
- impetuosity
- politeness
- pleasantness

Question No.21

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Bookmark

Which novel of James Joyce is set in a single day?

- Dubliners*
- Ulysses*
- Finnegans Wake*
- Stephen Hero*

Question No.22

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Bookmark

The Empire Writes Back was written by _____.

- Bill Ashcroft, Gareth Griffiths and Helen Tiffin
- Bill Ashcroft and Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak
- Barbara Christian and Gareth Griffiths
- Bill Ashcroft, Louis Gates and Sara Mills

Question No.23

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Bookmark

The post-structuralist critic who, in *The Anxiety of Influence*, 'argues that poets strive to assert their own vision without being influenced by earlier poets' is _____.

- Hillis Miller
- Paul de Man
- Harold Bloom
- Judith Butler

Question No.24

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Bookmark

The famous American film that was remade in Tamil as *Avvai Shanmughi* is _____.

- Terminator*
- Superman*
- Mrs. Doubtfire*
- Exorcist*

Question No.25

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Bookmark

Which of the following novels is not written by Graham Greene?

- Lord Jim*
- The Quiet American*
- The Man Within*
- The End of the Affair*

Question No.26

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Bookmark

Study the following information carefully and answer the question below it

The Director of an MBA college has decided that six guest lectures on the topics of Motivation, Decision Making, Quality Circle, Assessment Centre, Leadership and Group Discussion are to be organised on each day from Monday to Sunday.

- (i) One day there will be no lecture (Saturday is not that day), just before that day Group Discussion will be organised.
- (ii) Motivation should be organised immediately after Assessment Centre.
- (iii) Quality Circle should be organised on Wednesday and should not be followed by Group Discussion
- (iv) Decision Making should be organised on Friday and there should be a gap of two days between Leadership and Group Discussion

Which of the following information is not required for the above lecture arrangements?

- Only (i)
- Only (iii)
- Only (ii)
- All are required

Question No.27

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Marlow plays the role of narrator in -----

- Power and Glory*
- Middlemarch*
- Lord Jim*
- Women in Love*

Question No.28

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Based on the information given answer the following question.

1. In a family of six persons, there are people from three generations. Each has separate professions and they like different colours. There are two couples.
2. Shyam is an Engineer and his wife is not a doctor and she does not like Red colour.
3. Chartered Accountant likes green colour and his wife is a teacher.
4. Manisha is the mother-in-law of Sunita and she likes orange colour.
5. Vimal is the grand father of Tarun and tarun is the Principal and likes black colour.
6. Nyna is the grand daughter of Manisha and she likes blue colour. Nyna's Mother likes white colour.

What is the profession of Sunita?

- Teacher
- Cannot be determined
- Chartered Accountant
- Principal

Question No.29

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Bookmark

In which of the following travelogues does Mark Twain give an account of his visit to India?

- Roughing It*
- Following the Equator*
- The Innocents Abroad*
- A Tramp Abroad*

Question No.30

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Bookmark

Which Australian novelist won the Booker Prize twice?

- David Malouf
- Jessica Anderson
- Peter Carey
- Thomas Keneally

Question No.31

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Bookmark

Identify the wrongly matched pair:

- Roland Barthes – Différance
- Noam Chomsky – Competence and Performance
- Ferdinand de Saussure – Signifier and signified
- Elaine Showalter – Gynocriticism

Question No.32

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Bookmark

C. S. Pierce's model of the sign consists of

- Mimicry, Ambivalence, Hybridity
- Transcendental signified, Différance, Trace
- Signifier, Signified, Arbitrariness
- Representamen, Object, Interpretant

Question No.33

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Bookmark

Which of the following works parodies "deus ex machina" technique?

- Oliver Twist*
- Jane Eyre*
- Threepenny Opera*
- The Beggar's Opera*

Question No.34

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Bookmark

Of Grammatology was translated into English by _____ .

- Homi Bhabha
- Roman Jakobson
- Raymond Williams
- Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak

Question No.35

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Bookmark

Match the following lists

List I (School of Criticism)

- I. Reader-response Theory
- II. New Historicism
- III. Cultural Materialism
- IV. Ecocriticism

List II (Critics)

- 1. Stephen Greenblatt, Clifford Geertz
- 2. Cheryll Glotfelty, Harold Fromm
- 3. Stanley Fish, Wolfgang Iser
- 4. Jonathan Dollimore, Alan Sinfield

The right combination according to the code is:

- I-3, II-2, III-1, IV-4
- I-4, II-2, III-3, IV-1
- I-4, II-3, III-2, IV-1
- I-3, II-1, III-4, IV-2

Question No.36

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Bookmark

Bernard Shaw coined the word ghoti and insisted that it should be pronounced _____.

- fish
- goat
- glue
- fox

Question No.37

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Bookmark

Who was the promoter of the slogan, 'Art for Art's sake'?

- Oscar Wilde
- Chesterton
- Bennet
- Conrad

Question No.38

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Bookmark

The English language has _____ phonemes.

- 42
- 43
- 41
- 44

Question No.39

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Bookmark

The plays, *Our Town* (1938) and *The Skin of Our Teeth* (1942) are penned by _____ .

- Thornton Wilder
- Clifford Oates
- Arthur Miller
- Eugene O'Neil

Question No.40

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Bookmark

Which novel of Scott Fitzgerald centers around a young psychiatrist whose life is doomed by his marriage to an unstable woman?

- The Great Gatsby*
- The Beautiful and Damned*
- Tender is the Night*
- This Side of Paradise*

Question No.41

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Bookmark

Which one of the following is NOT a part of Amitav Ghosh *Ibis Trilogy*?

- The Lowland*
- River of Smoke*
- Flood of Fire*
- Sea of Poppies*

Question No.42

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Bookmark

The dedication "To the memory of the British Empire in India" appears in

- The Private Life of an Indian Prince*
- The Autobiography of an Unknown Indian*
- A Passage to England*
- India: A Million Mutinies Now*

Question No.43

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Bookmark

Dr. Samuel Johnson describes 'Lexicographer' as a _____.

- simple soul
- patient executioner
- harmless drudge
- selfish autodidact

Question No.44

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Bookmark

For I.A. Richards, "tenor" means

- the elegiac word
- the subject the elegiac word refers to
- the subject the metaphoric word refers to
- the metaphoric word

Question No.45

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Bookmark

Who is not a contemporary of Somerset Maugham?

- Aldous Huxley
- W.M.Thackeray
- Joseph Conrad
- J.B.Priestly

Question No.46

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Bookmark

She studies very hard for the exams, _____?

- is it?
- isn't it?
- does she?
- doesn't she?

Question No.47

4.00

Bookmark

When their father died, their elder brother sold the old house and _____ in a small flat in a far-off suburb

- set them down
- set them up
- put them down
- put them up

Question No.48

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Bookmark

Which poet did the new verse translation of *Beowulf*?

- Thom Gunn
- Dylan Thomas
- Philip Larkin
- Seamus Heaney

Question No.49

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Bookmark

The French writer who influenced modernism was _____.

- George Bernanos
- Victor Hugo
- Marcel Proust
- Gustave Flaubert

Question No.50

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Bookmark

The rhyme scheme of Shakespearean sonnets is:

- abbaabbacdc
- ababbcbccdcdee
- ababcdcdefeg
- abbaabbacdecde

Question No.51

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Bookmark Who is the author of *The Life Divine*?

- Sri Aurobindo
- Rabindranath Tagore
- Raja Rao
- Swami Vivekananda

Question No.52

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Bookmark Which work rewrites Conrad's *Heart of Darkness* from an Arab African perspective?

- Tahmima Anam's *The Good Muslim*
- Tayeb Salih's *Season of Migration to the North*
- Taslima Nasrin's *Lajja*
- John Gardner's *Grendel*

Question No.53

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Bookmark Who is the tramp in Harold Pinter's *The Caretaker*?

- Ruth
- Davies
- Aston
- Mick

Question No.54

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Bookmark

The Nobel Prize in Literature 2016 was awarded to _____.

- Julian Barnes
- Kazuo Ishiguro
- Bob Dylan
- Salman Rushdie

Question No.55

4.00

Bookmark

Prof. Abraham Van Helsing appears in

- H. G. Wells' *Tono-Bungay*
- Anthony Hope's *The Prisoner of Zenda*
- Bram Stoker's *Dracula*
- Baroness Orczy's *The Scarlet Pimpernel*

Question No.56

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Bookmark What is the profession of Mr. Eugenides in Eliot's *Waste Land*?

- Typist
- Merchant
- Clerk
- Carpenter

Question No.57

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Bookmark

Identify the odd one out:

- Dostoyevsky's Raskolnikov
- Dickens's Sam Weller
- Beckett's Hamm
- Camus's Meursault

Question No.58

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Bookmark

Crumb : Bread ::

- Tea : Cup
- Splinter : Wood
- Water : Bucket
- Flower : Vase

Question No.59

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Bookmark

T.B.Macaulay presented his "Minute on Education" in _____ .

- 1900
- 1835
- 1857
- 1947

Question No.60

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Bookmark In Orwell's *Animal Farm* (1945), who stands for the good nature of common man?

- Napoleon
- Boxer
- Old Major
- Snowball

Question No.61

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Bookmark

Mark the correct pair:

- Gauri Viswanathan - *Masks of Conquest*
- Franz Fanon - *Figures in Black*
- Edward Said - *The Location of Culture*
- Benedict Anderson - *The Empire Writes Back*

Question No.62

4.00

Bookmark

This is the school where I studied till class 5.

The underlined word is a

- preposition
- adverb
- adjective
- pronoun

Question No.63

4.00

Bookmark

The term 'stream of consciousness', was first used by _____ .

- William James
- Henry James
- T.S. Eliot
- James Joyce

Question No.64

4.00

Bookmark

In "The Archetypes of Literature", Northrop Frye associates the myth of 'the birth of the hero' with _____.

- Summer
- Spring
- Autumn
- Winter

Question No.65

4.00

Bookmark

Postcolonial theory states that language _____ .

- is never isomorphic
- is both isomorphic and not isomorphic
- is isomorphic
- is isomorphic only if it's a regional language

Question No.66

4.00

Bookmark

The term 'Double Consciousness' was coined by _____ .

- NgugiWaThiongo
- Henry Louis Gates Jr.
- W. E. B. Du Bois
- Salman Rushdie

Question No.67

4.00

Bookmark

Find the odd one out?

- Withdrawal
- Deposit
- Deduction
- Debit

Question No.68

4.00

Bookmark

Which work is written in the form of a dialogue among four speakers: Eugenius, Crites, Lisideius and Neander?

- Shelley's *A Defence of Poetry*
- Sidney's *An Apology for Poetry*
- Horace's *ArsPoetica*
- Dryden's *An Essay of Dramatic Poesy*

Question No.69

4.00

Bookmark

Nidhi walks 10 metres in front and 10 metres to the right. Then every time turning to her left, she walks 5, 15 and 15 metres respectively. How far is Nidhi now from her starting point?

- 10 metres
- 5 metres
- 15 metres
- None of the above

Question No.70

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Bookmark

If A+B means A is daughter of B,
A-B means A is husband of B
A × B means A is brother of B

From the statement $A \times B \times C \times D$, which of the following statement is not necessarily true?

- C is the brother of A
- D is brother of C
- B is the brother of A
- A, B, C are male

Question No.71

4.00

Bookmark

Which Dalit writer is called "the poet of the underworld"?

- Kanchallaiah
- Namdeo Dhasal
- Daya Pawar
- Arun Kamble

Question No.72

4.00

Bookmark

Colonialism means _____.

- The notion of racial inferiority
- The end of Indian princely states
- The conquest of the Third World
- The imperialist expansion of Europe

Question No.73

4.00

Bookmark

The kitchen-sink drama is marked by -----

- Kitchen scenes
- Neo-realism
- Domestic life
- Pseudo realism

Question No.74

4.00

Bookmark

The first Indian novel in English was written by _____.

- G. V.Desani
- Sake Dean Mahomed
- Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
- UpamanyuChatterjee

Question No.75

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Bookmark

The author of *The Location of Culture* is _____ .

- Edward Said
- Homi Bhabha
- Stuart Hall
- Richard Dyer

Question No.76

4.00

Bookmark

The phrase "objective correlative" was

- I.coined by the American painter and poet Washington Allston
- II.introduced by T. S. Eliot into his essay "Hamlet and His Problems"
- III.coined by William James in his Principles of Psychology
- IV.introduced by Virginia Woolf in her novel *To the Lighthouse*

Find the correct combination according to the code:

- Only III and II are correct
- Only III and IV are correct
- Only I and IV are correct
- Only I and II are correct

Question No.77

4.00

Bookmark

Which work is based on the Bhopal Gas Tragedy?

- Indra Sinha's *Animal's People*
- C.K.Janu's *Mother Forest*
- Amulya Malladi's *The Mango Season*
- Arundhati Roy's *The Cost of Living*

Question No.78

4.00

Bookmark

Select the Pair that best represents the relationship that is given in the question:

Explore : Discover

- Books : Knowledge
- Research : Learn
- Tree : Wood
- Think : Relate

Question No.79

4.00

Bookmark

Which language-teaching method does not allow for the use of the native language in the classroom?

- Grammar-translation
- Direct Method
- The Silent Way
- Suggestopedia

Question No.80

4.00

Bookmark

Choose the best synonym of the italicized word.

Children of excessively indulgent parents often become very *recalcitrant*.

- disobedient
- indolent
- dependent
- insolent

Question No.81

4.00

Bookmark

Which work popularized the movement "Lost Generation"?

- Doctorow's *Ragtime*
- Ginsberg's *Howl*
- Hemingway's *The Sun Also Rises*
- Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby*

Question No.82

4.00

Bookmark

The terms "instress" and "inscape" were coined by

- Alfred Noyes
- Edith Sitwell
- T. S. Eliot
- G. M. Hopkins

Question No.83

4.00

Bookmark

Which Irish political leader was the centre of discussion in James Joyce's *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man* ?

- Parnell
- Yeats
- Casey
- Aquinas

Question No.84

4.00

Bookmark

Choose the best synonym of the italicized word.

Dr. Elango is in the habit of using *obsolete* words.

- difficult
- outdated
- simple
- wrong

Question No.85

4.00

Bookmark

In which novel is Hester Prynne the protagonist?

- Scarlet Letter*
- Scarlet*
- Scarlet Pimpernel*
- A Study in Scarlet*

Question No.86

4.00

Bookmark

The Subaltern School of Historiography emerged in _____ .

- 1980s
- 1970s
- 1960s
- 1990

Question No.87

4.00

Bookmark

'Graphology' refers to the _____ system of a language.

- writing
- semantic
- etymological
- sound

Question No.88

4.00

Bookmark

_____ *Spelling Book* helps to standardize spelling and to distinguish British from American English.

- William Caxton's
- Noah Chomsky's
- Ben Gimson's
- Noah Webster's

Question No.89

4.00

Bookmark

'Ascribing human feelings to the inanimate' is called _____.

- Synecdoche
- Pun
- Metaphor
- Pathetic fallacy

Question No.90

4.00

Bookmark

Correct the error in the italicized part of the sentence by choosing the most appropriate options

Job was a tiny man, barely five feet tall, with *a spright walk*

- spright walk
- a sprightly walk
- a sprightly walking
- spright walkingly

Question No.91

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Bookmark

Uriah Heep is a character in _____

- David Copperfield*
- Oliver Twist*
- The Pickwick Papers*
- Hard Times*

Question No.92

4.00

Bookmark

Which of the following statements is WRONG:

- The proponents of New Historicism include Stanley Fish and Wolfgang Iser.
- It makes a parallel reading of literary and non-literary texts of the same historical period.
- New Historicism is also called 'Cultural Poetics'.
- It politicises and stresses the intimate relationship between literature, culture and history.

Question No.93

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Bookmark

The lines "The lunatic, the madman, and the poet / Are of imagination all in compact" appear in _____.

- Twelfth Night*
- As You Like It*
- Much Ado About Nothing*
- A Midsummer Night's Dream*

Question No.94

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Bookmark

Animal Farm is George Orwell's indictment of _____.

- Capitalism
- Democracy
- Communism
- Monarchy

Question No.95

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Bookmark

The protagonist of R.K. Narayan's *A Tiger for Malgudi* is—

- a tiger
- a tiger hermit
- an elephant
- a ring master

Question No.96

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Bookmark

A can finish a work in 18 days and B can do the same work in half the time taken by A. Then, working together, what part of the same work they can finish in a day?

- 0 1/6
- 0 1/4
- 0 1/2
- 0 1/8

Question No.97

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Bookmark

Deleuze and Guattari's concept of 'rhizome' is now widely discussed in

- Cultural Materialism
- Reception Theory
- Media Theory
- Narratology

Question No.98

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Bookmark

Statement: Apart from its entertainment value of Television, its educational value cannot be ignored

Assumptions:

- I. People take Television to be the means of entertainment only.
II. The educational value of Television is not realized properly
- If only assumption I is implicit
 - If neither I nor II is implicit
 - If only assumption II is implicit
 - If both I and II are implicit

Question No.99

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Bookmark

The term 'subaltern' widely used in the postcolonial theory was first used by _____ .

- Frantz Fanon
- GayatriChakravortySpivak
- Antonio Gramsci
- Raymond Williams

Question No.100

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Bookmark

The term 'campus novel' is associated with _____ .

- Graham Greene
- Kingsley Amis
- Johann Wyss
- William Golding

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