

**Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Examination: May - 2023**  
**(Distance Education)**

Day & Date	Semester	Subject Name	Time	Code	Marks
Saturday 27-05-2023	V (Fresh/ Repeater)	A.P.C. English Women's Writing in the Twentieth Century	02:30 PM To 05:00 PM	565301	75

**Instruction: All questions are compulsory.**

**Q.1 a) Match the following.**

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| <b>A</b>          | <b>B</b>                     |
| 1) Toni Morrison  | a) "The weave of My Life     |
| 2) Toril Moi      | b) "In Custody"              |
| 3) Virginia Woolf | c) "Sexual Textual Politics. |
| 4) Anita Desai    | d) "A room of One's Own""    |
| 5) Urmila Pawar   | e) "Kurukku"                 |

**b) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct alternative provided in the bracket.**

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(Elaine Showalter, Bama, Mary Wollstonecraft, Gynocriticism, Androgyny)

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ is a term which means a compound of masculine and feminine traits.
- 2) The term which refer to 'a female framework' used to analyse women's literature is \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ in 'A Vindication of the Rights of Women' challenged the established view that women are inferior to men.
- 4) In 'A literature of their Own', \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrates how nineteenth century literature scenario ensured a secondary position for women writers.
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_ in her autobiography 'Kurukku' chronicles the joys and sorrows experienced by Dalit Converted girls and women in TamilNadu in particular and India in general.

**c) State whether the following statements are True or False.**

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- 1) 'Sex' and 'Gender' mean the same within feminist studies.
- 2) 'Beloved' is a novel by Kamala Markandeya.
- 3) Maya Angelo is an African American poet and novelist.
- 4) Duapadi Mehejal in Mahasweta Devi's story, "Draupadi" emerges as a Robin Hood like figure to retaliate against atrocities committed by dominant class on the tribal people.
- 5) Ladyland is a dream of taking shelter in surreal world.

- d) **Answer in brief the following questions.**
- 1) Name any two novels by Gloria Naylor. **02**
  - 2) According to Elaine Showalter which are the three main stages in the development of women's writing? **03**
  - 3) In which language did Rokheya Sakhawat first write 'Sutana's Dream'? **01**
  - 4) Name any two novels by Anita Desai. **02**
  - 5) What were the concerns of the first wave feminists? **01**
  - 6) Who wrote the essay 'A Room of One's Own'? **01**
- Q.2 Explain the following statements with reference to the context. (Any 3) 15**
- 1) 'We have no hand or voice in the management of our social affairs. In India man is lord and master, he has taken to himself all powers and privileges and shut up the women in the Zenana.'
  - 2) 'Do you mean that you are shy and timid like men'
  - 3) Butch shook his head. 'You folks and your ain' ts. You ain't supposed to do this and you ain't supposed to do that. That's why I never been no Christian-to me it means you can't enjoy life and since we only here once, that seems a shame.'
  - 4) 'My Boyfriend's gotten a grant from the city and he's putting on a black production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream this weekend. Maybe you could come and bring the children.'
  - 5) Mattie cut her eyes at Etta, 'I should have figured it wasn't the sermon that moved you. At least wait till after the prayer before you jump all into the man's business.'
- Q.3 a) Mattie and Eva turner episode in 'The Women of Brewster Place' justifies the claim that, 'an enlightened women is a source of strength' 10**
- OR**
- Analyse the hardships that Mattie has to undergo in her life. How does she cope up with her grief?
- OR**
- Q.3 b) Analyse the role men in Rokheya Sakhawat's novella 'Sultana's Dream'. 10**
- OR**
- Discuss four interesting perspective that you liked in the novella 'Sultana's Dream'.
- Q.4 Write short notes on any three. 15**
- a) Uncle Ben
  - b) Lorainne and Theresa
  - c) Brewster Place, the home for the homeless.
  - d) Scientific inventions by Women in the novella, "Sultana's Dream"
  - e) Ladyland and the emancipation of women.