

SECOND SEMESTER UG DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2024**(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary)****COMMON COURSE IN ENGLISH****JENG2A03T: READINGS FROM THE FRINGES****Time: 2 Hours****Maximum Marks: 60****SECTION A: Answer the following questions. Each carries two marks.****(Ceiling 20 Marks)**

1. Why was Vidya anxious to meet her father?
2. What is Navdanya movement?
3. Who is Dan? Why does Mrs. Tilley say "Sylvy takes after him"?
4. What advice does Nikita Gill give to women in a patriarchal society?
5. When was the Objectives Resolution presented? Why?
6. Why do Americans believe that the solution to terrorism is technological rather than political?
7. What is the message of the poem "The Fish"?
8. Who is Arunamma?
9. Why did Tagore believe that unity with nature is the highest stage of human evolution?
10. What made Demathi Dei Sabar lose her temper?
11. In what way did the University of Berkley surprise and inspire Malini Chib?
12. Comment on the ending of the story "The White Heron"?

SECTION B: Answer the following questions. Each carries five marks.**(Ceiling 30 Marks)**

13. What are the concerns addressed by Sameer Tanti in his poem "How Many More Days, Democracy"?
14. How does Sainath pay tribute to 'Salihan'?
15. Analyze "History Lesson" as a poem on colonization.
16. Describe the experiences of Vidya in the family of *tirunangais* in Pune.
17. Attempt a character sketch of Sylvia.
18. How did Rabindranath Tagore's views influence Vandana Shiva?
19. "It's only that I want someone to know me by my name". Discuss the agony experienced by the poet as an immigrant in America.

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SECTION C: Answer any *one* question. Each carries *ten* marks.

20. Comment on the *chaturvarna* system and caste discrimination discussed in Chandra Bhan Prasad's article "Love-lines in the Times of Chaturvarna".
21. "Domestic work and care-giving should be gender-neutral". Comment on Adichie's concept of gender in the light of her first three suggestions to Ijeawele.

(1 x 10 = 10 Marks)