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FOURTH SEMESTER UG DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2023

(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary)

COMMON COURSE IN ENGLISH

GENG4A06T: SPECTRUM: LITERATURE AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

Time: 2 ½ Hours Maximum Marks: 80

SECTION A: Answer the following questions. Each carries *two* marks. (Ceiling 25 Marks)

- 1. What, according to Malala, is the significance of Malala Day?
- 2. Why did Bet Blevins marry early?
- 3. Why did Fathima not want to marry Mahfuz Ali?
- 4. What does Kirkup imply by the phrase, "air that is everywhere our own"?
- 5. What was Alassan's routine after Subahnamaz?
- 6. Why did Goethe's Werther send his servant to Lotte's house?
- 7. What did Perkins State Hospital look like?
- 8. Why was Emmanuelle nicknamed the Mouette?
- 9. Whom does Margarete and Shulamith represent?
- 10. What are the similarities that the narrator observes between the two boys in "Jamaican Fragment"?
- 11. What is meant by the phrase "the cool moon of moist faces"?
- 12. Who is "the man carrying wood" in "Caring for Animals"?
- 13. List the poetic devices employed by Warsan Shire in "Home"?
- 14. Why did the narrator in "Jamaican Fragment" explain the game to the white man?
- 15. What are "these menaces to our vision" that Silkin describes?

SECTION B: Answer the following questions. Each carries *five* marks. (Ceiling 35 Marks)

- 16. At the end of "Comala", why did Viswan feel that the threat of suicide is absurd?
- 17. Discuss "Turmeric" as a poem of resistance.
- 18. Annotate: "no one leaves home unless/ home is the mouth of a shark."
- 19. Comment on the title Cry of the Gull.
- 20. Describe Bet and Arnold's bus journey.
- 21. Why does Amanda Michalopoulou say that the emblematic heroes of European literature are marginalized antiheroes?
- 22. Comment on the narrative style of AJ Hendricks' "Jamaican Fragment".
- 23. What is the significance of the scene of protest in "The Big Fish"?

SECTION C: Answer any two questions. Each carries ten marks.

- 24. How does "Comala" offer a critique of our news media?
- 25. Critically analyze the structure and theme of the poem "What Work Is".
- 26. Discuss Najab's transformation from an introverted lad to a hero of the village.
- 27. What are Malala's arguments in support of the education of children? How does she propose that we can ensure universal education?

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ Marks})$