

Online Open Book Exam (blended)

Session November-December 2021.

UPC: 12037513

Course: B.A English (hons)

Paper Name: Literatures of Diaspora (DCE)

Semester: 5

Marks: 75

Time limit: 3+1 (one hour reserved for downloading of question paper, scanning and uploading of answer sheets)

Instructions:

1. Attempt any four questions.
 2. Answers should be written in 600-750 words.
 3. All questions carry equal marks.
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1. “Kingston uses memory narratives as a strategic method to question the traditional system of gender identities, roles and expectations. Discuss how she excavates cultural and familial stories or collective memories.
 2. Justify the title, *The in-between world of Vikram Lall*, keeping in mind history, intersecting time and space of Diaspora lives.
 3. ‘Rootless but Green Are the Boulevard Trees’ is the reflection of ‘assimilation and acculturation in their true sense.’ How far do you agree with the statement?
 4. “Hannah and Benjamin’s wedding caused much controversy in Jwalanagar.”
Describe the identity markers of gender, class and ethnicity revolving around Hannah and Benjamin’s marriage.
 5. Immigrants come to a new land full of hope, yet only end up struggling for survival.
Discuss with reference to any text in the course.

6. Discuss the complexity of colonialism and slavery based on Caryl Phillips, 'Somewhere In England', in Crossing The River.

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