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**VI Semester B.A. Degree (CBCSS – OBE – Regular/Supplementary/
Improvement) Examination, April 2023
(2019 and 2020 Admissions)
CORE COURSE IN ENGLISH
6B13ENG : Women's Writing**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

I. Write an essay of about **200** words on **any one** of the following :

- 1) How does Alice Walker weave in the elements of racism and sexism in her essay In Search of her Mother's Garden ?
- 2) How does Butler delineate the similarities and differences between the feminist and phenomenological definitions of the body ? **(1×8=8)**

II. Write an essay of about **200** words on **any one** of the following :

- 1) How does the patriarchal society in "Bayan" treat women and denote their position in the society ?
- 2) Discuss the TV as a major symbolic element that structures the worldview of both Ma and Jack. **(1×8=8)**

III. Answer **any four** of the following in **not** more than **80** words :

- 1) Comment on the literary and historical context of Aunt Jennifer's Tigers.
- 2) What are the oppressive elements that work against women empowerment, according to Kishwar Naheed ?
- 3) How does Polanco's 'Identity' reject the notion of conformity and celebrate individuality ?

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- 4) Comment on the empowered woman in 'Phenomenal Woman' ?
- 5) How does Brooks explore the complex topic of abortion in her poem 'The Mother' ?
- 6) What is the central idea discussed in Dharker's 'Another Woman' ? (4×4=16)

IV. Answer **any eight** out of the following questions in **one** or **two** sentences :

- 1) Who is Patient Griselda ?
- 2) Who does the 'Fly' represent ?
- 3) What is the men's attitude to the woman writer's works ?
- 4) What is Athai's strong belief and how does she endure the harsh treatment from her family ?
- 5) Who is called a "bayen" ?
- 6) What is the central theme of the short story "Garments" ?
- 7) Who is Jack ?
- 8) What is the psychological state of the narrator in story "The Yellow Wallpaper" ?
- 9) Why is Louise Mallard happy even when she faces an unfortunate situation ?
- 10) Who is Lady Nijo ?

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- I. Write an essay of about **200** words on **any one** of the following : **(1×8=8)**
- 1) How does Alice Walker describe her mother ?
 - 2) Examine how Butler critiques gender as constructed in a binary, and drives forward the notion that biological sex is distinct from gender.
- II. Write an essay of about **200** words on **any one** of the following : **(1×8=8)**
- 3) Examine how Bayen represents the subjugation of women in the patriarchal society.
 - 4) Describe how "The Yellow Wallpaper" illustrates the attitudes towards mental and physical health of women in the 19th century.
- III. Answer **any four** of the following in **not** more than **80** words : **(4×4=16)**
- 5) Botanical imagery in the poem "Identity".
 - 6) How does Atwood bring in the image of death in "This is a Photograph of Me" ?
 - 7) What is referred to as 'Massive weight' in "Aunt Jennifer's Tiger" ?
 - 8) What makes the speaker a 'Phenomenal Woman' ?
 - 9) How is the theme of oppression dealt with in the poem "Another Women" ?
 - 10) Portrayal of woman writer in "Inside Every Woman Writer" ?

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IV. Answer **eight** of the following in **one** or **two** sentences : (8x1=8)

- 11) How did the doctor describe Louise's death in "The Story of an Hour" ?
- 12) Who narrates the story in "The Yellow Wallpaper" and in what form ?
- 13) What makes Athai 'hollow' ?
- 14) Who are the three 'garment girls' in Tahmima Anam's "Garments" ?
- 15) Why is the woman writer feeling perplexed ?
- 16) What did the Boss do to the fly ?
- 17) Who is Chandidasi ?
- 18) How did Chandidasi become a Bayen ?
- 19) Why is Marlene throwing a dinner party in *Top Girls* ?
- 20) Who is Angie's real mother ?

Write an essay of about 200 words on any one of the following : (1x8=8)

1) How does Alice Walker represent the subjugation of women in the patriarchal society.

2) Examine how Bayen represents the subjugation of women in the patriarchal society.

3) Describe how "The Yellow Wallpaper" illustrates the attitudes towards mental and physical health of women in the 19th century.

4) Answer any four of the following in not more than 80 words : (4x4=16)

- 1) Botanical imagery in the poem "Identity".
- 2) How does Atwood bring in the image of death in "This is a Photograph of Me" ?
- 3) What is referred to as 'Massive weight' in "Aunt Jennifer's Tiger" ?
- 4) What makes the speaker a 'Phenomenal Woman' ?
- 5) How is the theme of oppression dealt with in the poem "Another Woman" ?
- 6) Portrayal of woman writer in "Inside Every Woman Writer" ?