

St. Joseph's College of Arts & Science (Autonomous)

Subject : Womens Writing

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Two marks :

1. Who is the speaker of the poem "The bangle sellers"?
2. How does the poem 'The fish' end?
3. Who is the narrator of the poem 'Siren Song'?
4. What does Mama's plant symbolize in 'A Raisin in the Sun'?
5. Who is Miranada in the story 'The Grave'?
6. Who is unhappy in Eve to the daughter? Why?
7. What are the different colors of bangles mentioned in the poem 'The Bangles Sellers'/What do they represent?
8. How does Elizabeth Bishop describe fish in her poem 'The Fish'?
9. What idea does Margaret Atwood try to convey through the poem 'Siren Song'?
10. What is the theme of play Raisin in the sun?
11. Who is the brother of Miranda in the story 'The Grave'?
12. Some like the flame of her marriages fire ,
Or ,rich with the hue of her hearts desire-Annotate.
13. Tinkling ,Luminous, tender and clear ,

Like her bridal laughter an bridal tear -Annotate
14. There twilight lingers

The longest in the skies -Annotate.
15. Young love lies dreaming;

But who shall tell the dream- Annotate.
16. Why do the fishermen decide to release the fish?
17. What is the Greek myth surrounding the Sirens ?
18. Why does Benetha reject her suitor in 'Raisin in the sun'?
19. What does male cultures, female strategies propose to study?
20. What is the story 'The offspring about'?
21. Where does the story The Grave begin?

22. Write about the importance of color in Bangle Sellers.
23. What time of the year is referred in the poem Dream Love ?
24. In what city do the younger's live and for whom are the younger's awaiting a check in the 'A Raisin in the Sun'?
25. Where does Walter often go to escape from the apartment in the 'A Raisin in the Sun'?
26. Who was Rakesh in 'A Devoted Son'?
27. Who is Eve in 'Eve to her daughter'?
28. Who is William Green?
29. Why does Benetha reject her suitor in 'Raisin in the Sun'?
30. Who is chemistry teacher in Ladies coupe?
31. What are Wollstonecraft's views on education?
32. What are Wollstonecraft's views on motherhood?
33. What does Mary Wollstonecraft A Vindication of the Rights of Women argue?
34. She meets five women in the train .describe
35. What happened to the men in their lives in Ladies coupe?
36. Who do you think a sympathetic character in tar baby by Toni?
37. Which bangles does the poet think are suitable for maidens?
38. How many stages of women are skillfully linked with the bangles?
39. Identify the two phrases that suggest the emotional feeling in the poem?
40. Why does a bride laugh and shed tears?
41. From which book the bangle sellers poem is taken.

5 marks:

1. What is the theme of the poem 'The Siren song'?
2. Comment on gender equality in 'A Room of one's own'
3. Why does Mr. Varma want to die in A Devoted Son?
4. What do you think is the main theme of 'The Grave'?
5. What are the different similes the poet uses for the bangles?
6. Discuss Eve's sense of determination and strong will in Eve to her Daughter.
7. What does the poem Dream love highlight ?
8. How did Rakesh alter his father's diet in 'A Devoted Son'?
9. What is the central message of the story 'Eve to her Daughter'?
10. Comment on the symbol of dove in 'The Grave'.
11. How does Sarojini Naidu describe the wishes of Indian women in 'The Bangle Sellers'?
12. Comment on the tonal shift in Atwoods 'Siren Song'.
13. Analyse Hansberry's treatment of race in 'A Raisin in the Sun'.
14. How does the bangle sellers convince the purchasing public in 'The Bangle Sellers'?
15. Briefly recount the professional success of Rakesh in "A Devoted Son".
16. What does Raisin in the sun portray?
17. What does Rajana Harish's work male cultures, female strategies highlight?

18. Explain the title of the story 'And No birds sing'
19. Write a note on poem 'eve to her daughter' ?
20. Explain the title of the story 'The offspring'.
21. How are the descriptions of the bangles linked to nature in Sarojini Naidu's poem bangle sellers ?
22. What does Mama's plant represent and how does the symbol evolve over the course of the play 'A Raisin in the Sun'?
23. What sort of role does Rakesh's father play in the story 'A Devoted son'?
24. What message does Rajana Harish's convey through her prose male cultures, female strategies ?
25. What is the tone of the poem 'The Siren Song'?
26. In 'The Grave', Porter focuses on Miranda's navigation of external gender expectations, concrete physical embodiments of female sexuality, and internal discoveries. Discuss.
27. What is the role played by Akhila in 'Ladies Coupe'?
28. What are Wollstonecraft's views on social class?
29. What are the issues regarding modesty and chastity addressed in the text?
30. What are Wollstonecraft's views on social class?
31. What is the message through the novel 'Ladies Coupe'.
32. What is the relationship between the plot and title of the novel?
33. At the end of the novel Margaret changes both physically and in terms of how much power she has over Valerian. What do you think we are supposed to feel about her by the close of the novel 'Tar Baby'?
34. What is the function of myth in the novel? Can the 'Tar Baby' story be considered a myth? Or does it seem like a different kind of narrative?

10 marks:

1. Comment on the importance of family in the drama 'A Raisin in the Sun'.
2. In what sense Rakesh is a devoted son?
3. Bring out the auspiciousness and symbolic value of custom of wearing bangles through the poem 'The Bangle Sellers'.
4. Discuss the dreams of the main characters in 'A Raisin in the Sun'.
5. Bring out the race problems in Toni Morrison's 'Song of Solomon'.
6. Critically appreciate the story 'A Devoted son'.
7. Do you think that the narrator shows sympathy towards the fish at the end of the poem 'The Fish'? Reason out your answer.
8. How is Dream Love organised seasonally ?
9. Examine the role of Walter Lee in 'A Raisin in the Sun'.
10. Discuss the theme of redemption in 'The Grave'.
11. How does Bishop convey her sympathy in 'The Fish'?
12. Examine the theme of the poem 'The Fish'?

13. Tell the story of the play 'Raisin in the sun' in your own words.
14. What gives women a special identity ? Explain with reference to Ranjana Harish's text male cultures, female strategies .
15. Sketch the character of Devoted son ,as illustrated by Anitha Desai.
16. Can the poem the bangle sellers be explained as type casting the Indian women in limiting it to the traditional categorization of weak and delicate .
17. Discuss the title of the play 'A Raisin in the Sun', think about the role of money in the play .How does it affect the characters in the play ?
18. What is the significance of the title text male cultures, female strategies .
19. Critically appreciate the story 'The Grave' .
20. What is the significance of the title 'Vindications of the Rights of Women ' .
21. How does the bangle sellers convince the public in purchasing ' The Bangle Sellers' .
22. Is Rakesh a devoted son? justify your answer?