



**WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY**

B.A. Honours/Programme 1st Semester Supplementary Examination, 2021

**ENHGEC01T/ENGGCOR01T-ENGLISH (GE1/DSC1)**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

**Answer any three of the following questions in about 400 words each**

10×3 = 30

1. In what ways would *Shakespeare's Sister* be similar to or different from Shakespeare?
2. Bring out the significance of the title in *Marriages Are Made* by Eunice de Souza.
3. How does the poem *Harlem* by Langston Hughes reflect the post World War II mood of many African Americans?
4. Discuss the themes of hope, oppression and defiance with reference to Maya Angelou's *Still I Rise*.
5. Critically appreciate *Dulce et Decorum Est* as an anti-war poem.
6. In *The Ghosts of Mrs. Gandhi* Amitav Ghosh describes the courage of ordinary people in extraordinary circumstances. Discuss.
7. What are the reasons for which Barthes has criticized toys in his essay?
8. Critically comment on the significance of the 'Sunday' in Imtiaz Dharker's poem.

**Answer any four of the following questions in about 200 words**

5×4=20

9. "Now my belief is that this poet who never wrote a word and was buried at the crossroads still lives". Explain with reference to the context.

10. Locate and annotate:  
Bringing the gifts that my  
ancestors gave,  
I am the dream and the hope  
of the slave.
11. Explain, 'Men marched asleep'.
12. Describe briefly the bus ride in which a possible victim of the riot is saved by the passengers with reference to *The Ghosts of Mrs. Gandhi*.
13. "All the toys one commonly sees are essentially a microcosm of the adult world..." Explain with reference to the context.
14. "These  
are ways of remembering." Explain with reference to the context.

**N.B. :** *Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.*

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