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SYLLABUS FOR DURCET -2015 (English)

1. British Literature from Chaucer to the Present.
2. American Literature from Transcendentalism to Postmodernism.
3. Literary theory and criticism from classical to the Post- Colonial.
4. Indian Writings in English up to the contemporary times.
5. History of English Language and ELT Approaches, Methods and Techniques.

Instruction: None of the above five components should cover more than 25 questions.

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Multiple Choice Questions
DURCET – Model Question Paper 2015

1. *The Canterbury Tales* is an unfinished work, wherein each pilgrim was supposed to tell more than one tale. How many tales did Chaucer originally envision each pilgrim telling?
 - a. four
 - b. six
 - c. one
 - d. two
2. Which of one the following plays was not written by Shakespeare?
 - a. Tempest
 - b. Othello
 - c. Cherry Orchard
 - d. Henry IV
3. How many sonnets did William Shakespeare write?
 - a. 154
 - b. 126
 - c. 164
 - d. 145
4. How many books were included in the first edition of *Paradise Lost*?
 - a. 10
 - b. 13
 - c. 12
 - d. 9
5. Which of the following poems by Wordsworth is a sonnet?
 - a. "We Are Seven"
 - b. "A slumber did my spirit seal"
 - c. "The world is too much with us"
 - d. "The Solitary Reaper"
6. Which book of John Ruskin influenced Mahatma Gandhi?
 - a. Sesame and Lilies
 - b. The Seven Lamps of Architecture
 - c. Unto This Last
 - d. Fors Clavigera
7. In D.H. Lawrence's *Sons and Lovers* Paul Morel's mother's name is?
 - a. Susan
 - b. Jane
 - c. Gertrude
 - d. Emily
8. Keats's *Endymion* is dedicated to?
 - a. Leigh Hunt
 - b. Milton
 - c. Shakespeare
 - d. Thomas Chatterton
9. Who is the author of the novel *The Grass is Singing*?
 - a. Doris Lessing
 - b. Virginia Woolf
 - c. George Eliot
 - d. Margaret Atwood

10. Jimmy Porter is character from the play-----

- a. St Joan b. Look Back in Anger c. Birthday Party d. Murder in the Cathedral

11. Identify the Movement poet

- a. T. S. Eliot b. W. B. Yeats c. Kingsley Amis d. D. H. Lawrence

12. Pick out the poet famous for his support of Irish Nationalism

- a. T. S. Eliot b. Kingsley Amis c. Ted Hughes d. W. B. Yeats

13. "An aged man is but a paltry thing" is an example for

- a. Metaphor b. Simile c. Irony d. Metonymy

14. Figure out the poet who is not a Poet of the Thirties

- a. W. B. Yeats b. Louis MacNeice c. Cecil Day-Lewis d. W. H. Auden

15. The figure of speech involved in the line "O sages standing in God's holy fire" is

- a. Alliteration b. Apostrophe c. Assonance d. Ambiguity

16. In which poem does Yeats refer to the "Spiritus Mundi"?

- a. "Sailing to Byzantium" b. "A Prayer for My Daughter" c. "The Second Coming"
d. "Among School Children"

17. What is the figure of speech involved in the expression "Hollow of cheek as though it drank the wind"?

- a. Metaphor b. Simile c. Irony d. Metonymy

18. In *The Waste Land*, the narrator is told that he should fear death by . . .

- a. Disease b. fire c. water d. starvation

19. Dylan Thomas is a/an----

- a. Irish Poet b. British Poet c. Welsh Poet d. Swiss Poet

20. Whose poetry has often dealt with exploration of drugs, and homosexuality. . .

- a. Dylan Thomas b. Thom Gunn c. Ted Hughes
d. T. S. Eliot
21. One of the following works of Tagore is unique as it was first written in English and only later on translated into English.
- a. The Child b. Home and the World c. Gitanjali d. Urvasi
22. Through the poem, *Lotus*, Sarojini Naidu addresses:
- a. Jinnah b. Patel c. Nehru d. Gandhi
23. One of the following is not penned by Jawaharlal Nehru?
- a. Glimpses of World History b. The Man c. The Discovery of India d. Autobiography
24. Among the following which novel was first published by Mulk Raj Anand:
- a. Coolie b. The Village c. Untouchable d. Two Leaves and a Bud
25. What is the common locale, though a fictitious one, found in R.K Narayan's works:
- a. Madras b. Mysore c. Malgudi d. None of the above
26. *The Cat and Shakespeare* is written by
- a. Bardley b. William Shakespeare c. R.K. Narayana d. Raja Rao
27. One of the following is not a Indian Partition Novel
- A Bend in the Ganges b. Train to Pakistan c. Azadi d. The Strange Case of Billy Biswas
28. Among the first generation Indian women novelists, one of the following is comparable to Jane Austen in etching on a small select world:
- a. Kamala Markandaya b. Ruth Praver Jhabwala c. Attia Hossain d. None of the above
29. Among Indian Women Novelists, Anita Desai is known to have pioneered:
- a. Psychological novel b. Political novel c. Social novel d. Romantic novel
30. Among Indian English Novelists, in delineating his narratives, Arun Joshi seemed to have consistently taken the prop of :
- a. Existentialism b. Expressionism c. Surrealism d. Marxism

31. *The Autobiography of Unknown Indian* is written by
- a. Radha Krishnan b. Raghunathan c. Nirad C. Chowary d. EM Forster
32. The following poet may be considered as a pioneer of modernism in India English Poetry:
- a. Toru Dutt b. Nissim Ezekiel c. Sarojini Naidu d. Autobindo
33. Among Indian Women Poets, one of the following has portrayed “fiercely feminine sensibility:
- a. Kamala Das b. Monika Varma c. Tapati Mookaji d. Margaret Chatterjee
34. Which of the following is not a Booker Prize winner from India:
- a. Bharathi Mukarjee b. Arundathi Roy c. Aravind Adiga d. Salman Rushdie
35. In a way ‘Campus Novel’ in Indian English Literature is successfully introduced by:
- a. Jumpa Lahari b. Amitav Ghosh c. Chetan Bhagat d. Shobha De
36. Poe’s stories are known as the stories of . . .
- a. Ratiocination b. reason c. argument d. discussion
37. Pick out the poet who does **not** belong to the **Beatgeneration**
- a. Jack Kerouac b. Robert Frost c. Allen Ginsberg d. William S. Burroughs
38. “I saw the best minds of my generation destroyed by madness . . .” is the famous opening line of the poem . . .
- a. “Howl” b. “Death of a Hired man” c. “Leaves of Grass” d. “Passage to India”
39. Figure out the psychologist whose work provided the inspiration for the stream of consciousness technique.
- a. Edmund Husserl b. Ivan Pavlov c. Henry James d. William James
40. Where do you find the philosophical roots of *Transcendentalism*?
- a. French Rationalism b. British Empiricism c. Classical German Philosophy
- d. Russian Revolutionary philosophy

41. Who wrote with the pen name, Mark Twain?
- a. Samuel Langhorne Clemens b. Samuel Butler c. Saul Bellow
d. Stephen Edwin King
42. Figure out the poet who is **not** a Poet of the **Lost Generation**
- a. Scott Fitzgerald b. Ernst Hemingway c. Allen Ginsberg d. William Faulkner
43. Ted Hughes, the Nobel Laureate, married the American Poet . . .
- a. Maya Angelou b. Hilda Doolittle c. Emily Dickinson
d. Sylvia Plath
44. *An American Tragedy* is a famous novel written by . . .
- a. Theodore Dreiser b. Thom Gunn c. Ernst Hemingway d.
Scott Fitzgerald
45. Thomas Pynchon can be characterised as a writer.
- a. Postmodern b. Postcolonial c. Lost Generation d. Beat
46. Which novel of John Steinbeck is set against the backdrop of the Great Depression?
- a. Tortilla Flat b. East of Eden c. The Red Pony d. The Grapes of Wrath
47. Amitabh Bachchan acted in the film *The Great Gatsby*, released in 2013. Which character in the novel did he play?
- a. Nick Carraway b. Jay Gatsby c. George B. Wilson d. Meyer Wolfsheim
48. Who wrote the famous phrase “Rose is a rose is a rose is a rose”?
- a. William Shakespeare b. Gertrude Stein c. Emily Dickinson d. William Wordsworth
49. Figure out the work that has **not** won a Pulitzer Prize.
- a. *Harvey* by Mary Chase b. *The Age of Innocence* by Edith Wharton
c. *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee d. *A Rose for Emily* by William Faulkner
50. Who, among the following, is not a Jewish American writer?
- a. Saul Bellow b. Ernst Hemingway c. Isaac Bashevis Singer

- d. Philip Roth
51. Arthur Miller wrote his autobiography with the title...
- a. Timebends: A Life b. Death of Salesman c. Priceless Memories
d. Pieces of My Heart
52. Harlem Renaissance refers to the explosion of the arts and literature of
- a. the blacks b. the whites c. the Jews d. the Russians
53. The title of the novel *Beloved*, by Toni Morrison, signifies
- a. Sethe's Husband b. Sethe's boyfriend c. Sethe's daughter
d. Sethe's beloved mother
54. The new-fangled women were called flappers, in the period known as . . .
- a. Roaring Twenties b. Roaring Thirties c. Roaring Forties
d. Roaring Fifties
55. *Up from Slavery* is the autobiography of the famous African-American writer . . .
- a. Ida B. Wells-Barnett b. Zora Neale Hurston c. Booker T. Washington
d. Malcolm X
- 56.. Who called 'The Waste Land' 'a music of ideas'?
- a. Allen Tate b. J. C. Ransom c. I. A. Richards d. F. R. Leavis
57. Who coined the phrase 'Egotistical Sublime'?
- a. William Wordsworth b. P. B. Shelley c. S. T. Coleridge d. John Keats
58. Which of the following plays of Shakespeare, according to T. S. Eliot, is 'artistic failure'?
- a. The Tempest b. Hamlet c. Henry IV, Pt I d. Twelfth Night
59. The structure of a story; the sequence in which the author arranges events in a story; the structure of a five-act play often includes the rising action, the climax, the falling action, and the resolution
- a. Pathetic Fallacy b. Verisimilitude c. Allusion d. Plot

60. A statement which can contain two or more meanings.

- a. Ambiguity b. Anecdote c. Epigraph d. Foil

61. The author of *On the Sublime* is:

- a. Horace b. Pope c. Longinus d. Johnson

62. Mimesis means....

- a. Imitation b. Explanation c. Justification d. Imagination

63. Philip Sydney's *An Apology for Poetry* was a reply to...

- a. Stephen Gosson b. Dryden c. William Shakespeare d. Samuel Johnson

64. 'defamiliarisation' is a concept associated with ----

- a. New Critics b. British Marxists c. Russians Formalists d. Indian Aestheticians

65. In the essay "Tradition and the Individual Talent", Eliot compares the mind of a poet to

- a. A blank sheet b. A fountain c. A catalyst d. river

66. The authors of the essays "Affective Fallacy" and "Intentional Fallacy" are..

- a. William Wimsatt and Monroe Beardsley
 b. William Wimsatt and Cleanth Brooks
 c. Cleanth Brooks and Monroe Beardsley
 d. Rene Wellek and William Wimsatt

67. Who defined that "An 'Image' is that which presents an intellectual and emotional complex in an instant of time."

- a. Edgar Allen Poe b. Ezra Pound c. T.S.Eliot d. Samuel Johnson

68. 'Anti-foundationalism' holds that:

- a) Every theory poses different questions and, therefore, what counts as 'fact' and 'truth' differs in every case.
 b) All truth claims can be judged true or false, usually against empirical facts.
 c) Causal statements about the relationship between dependent and independent variables can be made.

79. This method advocates “ It Teaches English by rules”.
- The Direct method
 - The Grammar – Translation method
 - The Audio – Lingual method
 - The Bilingual method.
80. The following method aims at establishing a direct bond between experience and expression.
- The Direct Method
 - The Audio Lingual method
 - The Bilingual method
 - None of these.
81. “The unit of speech is a sentence not a word” is the basic principle of this method.
- The Grammar – Translation method
 - The Direct method
 - The Audio- Lingual method
 - The Bilingual method.
82. Who proposed the Bilingual method?
- Dr. Michael West
 - H.E. Palmer
 - Dr. C.J. Dodson
 - H.A Castledge.
83. “Learners are actively involved” is one of the characteristics of this approach.
- Structural Approach
 - Constructivist Approach
 - Situational Approach
 - communicative approach.
84. Caleb Gattegno a teacher of mathematics was the founder of this method.
- The silent way
 - The Suggestiopedia
 - The total Physical Response
 - None of these.
85. “The teachers work with the students; the students work on the language “– is one of the Methods of this method.
- The Suggestiopedia
 - The silent way
 - The Total physical Response
 - None of these.
86. The Total Physical Response Method was advocated by –
- James Joyce
 - James Asher
 - James cook
 - None of these
87. The following is the basic principle of the Total Physical Response method.
- Reading comprehension
 - Listening comprehension
 - Writing composition
 - None of these.
88. Use of Fidel chart is one of the most important materials in this method.
- The silent way
 - The Suggestiopedia
 - The Total Physical Response
 - None of these

89. A teaching method advocated by Dr. George Lozanav which is based on the principle of Joy and easiness' is called -----
- a. Suggestopedia b. Total Physical Response c. The Direct Method d. The Audio- Lingual Method
90. "The Age of chaucer" is known as
- a. Old English Period b. Middle English Period c. Modern English Period d. None of the above.