DIPLOMA IN CREATIVE WRITING IN ENGLISH (DCE)

Term-End Examination

June, 2022

DCE-5: WRITING POETRY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: (i) Attempt five questions in all, choosing at least two questions from each Section.

(ii) All questions carry equal marks.

Section—A

- Define the characteristics of nature poetry. Is nature poetry only about description of nature?
 Elucidate your answer with examples.
- What do you understand by 'Linguistic Ecology'? Give examples.

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- 3. What is metre? What are the different kinds of metre used in poetry?
 4. Write short notes on any *two* of the following:
 - 10 each
 - (a) Climax in a poem
 - (b) Poetry of ideas
 - (c) Symbols and Imagery
 - (d) Colloquialism
- Can a single metaphor be the basis for thematic development? Elucidate your answer with an example.

Section—B

6. You fit into Me

—Margaret Atwood

You fit into me

like a hook into an eye

a fish hook

an open eye.

(a) Do you think this is a love poem? Give reasons for your answer.

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- (b) Is this poem a haiku? What are the characteristics of a haiku?
- (c) Explain the central metaphor in the poem.

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7. Innectus —William Ernest Henley

One of the night that covers me, Black as the pit from pole to pole, I thank whatever Gods may be For my unconquerable soul In the fell clutch of circumstance I have not winced nor cried aloud Under the bludgeonings of chance My head is bloody, but unbowed. Beyond this place of wrath and tears Looms but the Horror of the shade And yet the menace of the years Finds and shall find me unafraid It matters not how strait the gate

How charged with punishments the scroll I am the master of my fate. I am the captain of my soul. What is the theme of the poem? (a) 5 (b) Comment upon the rhyme scheme of the 5 poem. What physical (c) is and metaphorical darkness being referred to? Explain. 5 (d) Comment on the ending of the poem. 5 Write a poem of 15 to 20 lines on any one of following topics: 20 (a) If My Room (b) The Night Sky (c) To You (d) —Kamala Das Summer in Calcutta What is this drink but

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The April sun, squeezed

Like an orange in

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My glass? I sip the

Fire, I drink and drink

Again, I am drunk

Yes, but on the gold

of suns, what noble

venom now flows through

my veins and fills my

mind with unhurried

laughter? My worries

doze. Wee bubbles ring my glass,

like a bride's nervous smile, and meet

my lips. Dear, forgive

this moment's lull in

wanting you, the blur

in memory. How

brief the term of my

devotion, how brief

your reign when I with

glass in hand! drink, drink

and drink again this

Juice of April suns?

- 9. (a) Comment on the use of metaphor and imagery in the poem.
 - (b) The title of the poem is 'Summer in Calcutta'. Is the poem about a particular season?
 - (c) Comment on the diction in the poem. 5
 - (d) The poem begins and ends with a similar image metaphor. Explain its significance. 5