

Practice Paper of MEG-08

New Literature in English

Q: 1. Critique of 'New Literatures'

Can the term 'New Literatures' be critiqued? Discuss.

Q:2. Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o's A Grain of Wheat

Would you agree that the complex reality of modern Kenya is captured successfully by Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o in A Grain of Wheat?

Q:3. Wole Soyinka's A Dance of the Forests

What is the significance of the play within the play in Wole Soyinka's A Dance of the Forests?

Q:4. Bapsi Sidhwa's Ice-Candy Man

Examine Ice-Candy Man as reflecting Parsi identity.

Q:5. V.S. Naipaul's A House for Mr. Biswas

Critically examine the manner in which irony and humour are used in A House for Mr. Biswas.

Q: 6. Derek Walcott's Poetry

Trace the influence of Calypso in Derek Walcott's poetry.

Q:7. Patrick White's The Solid Mandala

Analyse the insider/outsider dynamics in The Solid Mandala.

Q:8. Margaret Laurence's The Stone Angel

Does the past have any significance for Hagar Shipley in The Stone Angel?

Q:9. Postcolonial Themes

Discuss the impact of colonization on identity formation in postcolonial literature.

Q:10. Language and Power

Examine how language serves as a tool of power and resistance in New Literatures in English.

Q:11. Cultural Hybridity

Analyze the theme of cultural hybridity in the works of any two authors from the syllabus.

Q:12. Gender and Identity

Discuss the portrayal of gender and identity in New Literatures in English.

Q: 13. Narrative Techniques

Evaluate the use of narrative techniques in conveying postcolonial experiences.

Q:14. Diaspora and Displacement

Explore the themes of diaspora and displacement in New Literatures in English.

Q:15. Role of Memory

Discuss the role of memory in shaping narratives in postcolonial literature.