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Question List:

Section: Section-A

- What is the primary aim of literary research? [1 Mark]
 - To entertain readers with imaginative stories.
 - **To analyse and interpret literary works.**
 - To promote a specific literary genre.
 - To create new works of literature.
- What is the significance of historical context in literary research? [1 Mark]
 - It has no relevance to the interpretation of literary works.
 - **It helps in understanding the cultural and social influences on literature.**
 - Historical context is essential only for non-fictional works.
 - Literature should be studied in isolation without considering historical aspects.
- What is the purpose of a literature review in literary research? [1 Mark]
 - To summarize the plot of a literary work.
 - To critique the literary works of established authors.
 - **To provide an overview of existing research on a specific topic.**
 - To present the author's personal opinions on literature.
- What role does theory play in literary research? [1 Mark]
 - **It provides a framework for analysing and interpreting literature.**
 - Theory has no relevance in literary research.
 - It is only applicable to certain genres of literature.
 - It restricts the interpretation of literary works to a single perspective.
- What is the first stage in the research process? [1 Mark]
 - Data Analysis
 - Conclusion
 - Literature Review
 - **Problem Formulation**
- Which stage involves critically analysing existing literature related to the research topic? [1 Mark]
 - Methodology

- **Literature Review**
 - Data Collection
 - Conclusion
- **During which stage does the researcher formulate a hypothesis or research question? [1 Mark]**
 - Literature Review
 - Conclusion
 - **Problem Formulation**
 - Data Analysis
- **What is the purpose of the Introduction stage in research? [1 Mark]**
 - **Identifying the research problem**
 - Presenting the research findings
 - Analyzing data
 - Conducting a literature review
- **What is the primary focus of Formalism in literary research? [1 Mark]**
 - Analyzing the historical context of literature
 - Examining the author's biography
 - **Exploring the linguistic elements in a text**
 - Studying the psychological aspects of characters
- **Which literary theory emphasises the role of power, class, and economic structures in literature? [1 Mark]**
 - New Criticism
 - **Marxist Criticism**
 - Psychoanalysis
 - Reader-Response Criticism
- **In the context of literary research, what does the term "Canon" refer to? [1 Mark]**
 - **A list of approved literary works**
 - The structure of a poem
 - The protagonist of a story
 - A literary device
- **What does the term "Intertextuality" refer to in literary research? [1 Mark]**
 - The study of literary works from different cultures
 - The relationship between text and context
 - **The influence of one text on another**
 - The analysis of literary devices
- **In the thesis layout, where is the literature review usually found? [1 Mark]**
 - Before the introduction
 - **After the methodology**
 - At the end of the thesis
 - In the conclusion
- **What is the most essential element of a successful thesis layout? [1 Mark]**
 - Attractive formatting
 - A creative title
 - **A logical and organized structure**
 - Perfect grammar and spelling
- **The conclusion should: [1 Mark]**
 - **Summarize your main points and offer recommendations for future research**
 - Restate your abstract in different words
 - Introduce new information not presented in the thesis
 - Thank your readers
- **The tone of the entire thesis should be: [1 Mark]**

- Informal and conversational
 - Emotional and expressive
 - **Objective and scholarly**
 - Humorous and engaging
- **The primary purpose of a research proposal in English literature is to: [1 Mark]**
 - Demonstrate your knowledge of literary theory.
 - Secure funding for your research project.
 - Convince your supervisor of your research topic's feasibility.
 - **All of the This**
- **The literature review section of your proposal should: [1 Mark]**
 - Summarize your own research findings.
 - **Identify key scholars and their arguments relevant to your topic.**
 - Explain your methodology in detail.
 - Offer your personal opinions on the existing scholarship.
- **The bibliography in your proposal should: [1 Mark]**
 - Include only sources you have already consulted.
 - Showcase your knowledge of a wide range of literary criticism.
 - **Be formatted according to a specific style guide.**
 - Focus on recent publications to demonstrate your awareness of new scholarship.
- **Which of the following is NOT a common element of a research proposal? [1 Mark]**
 - Abstract
 - Acknowledgments
 - Methodology
 - **Results**
- **Which citation style, including literature research papers, is commonly used in the humanities? [1 Mark]**
 - APA
 - Chicago
 - **MLA**
 - IEEE
- **A strong thesis statement for a research paper should be: [1 Mark]**
 - Broad and general, covering a wide range of literary themes.
 - **Specific and focused, addressing a specific aspect of a text or author.**
 - Open-ended and debatable, inviting further discussion.
 - A combination of (b) and (c).
- **Why is it essential to revise and edit your research paper before submission? [1 Mark]**
 - To increase the word count
 - To fix grammar and spelling errors
 - **To ensure clarity and coherence of ideas**
 - To make the paper more difficult for readers to understand
- **What is the purpose of conducting a literature review in a research paper? [1 Mark]**
 - To summarize personal experiences
 - To analyze statistical data
 - **To evaluate existing research on the topic**
 - To present the author's opinions
- **When should you use footnotes or endnotes in a research paper? [1 Mark]**
 - To add extra words to meet the word count
 - **To provide additional explanations, comments, or citations**
 - To cite sources within the text
 - Only in creative writing projects

- **What is the purpose of a DOI in a citation? [1 Mark]**
 - **To provide a unique, permanent link to an online resource**
 - To show the publication date
 - To highlight the page number
 - To indicate the author's name

- **What does the term "plagiarism" refer to in academic writing? [1 Mark]**
 - Collaborative writing
 - Writing a paper without any external references
 - Citing sources properly
 - **Using someone else's work without giving proper credit**

- **Documentation tools in research can include: [1 Mark]**
 - Your personal online search history and browsing bookmarks.
 - Only formal, published materials like research articles and books.
 - **Reference management software, digital lab books, and cloud storage.**
 - Handwritten notes and paper notebooks only.

- **The primary difference between research writing and informal writing is: [1 Mark]**
 - Research writing uses longer sentences and more complex vocabulary.
 - **Research writing prioritizes logical structure and evidence over personal opinions.**
 - Research writing avoids contractions and informal language entirely.
 - Research writing is always aimed at an academic audience, while informal writing has a broader audience.

- **What does the term "literature review" refer to in research writing? [1 Mark]**
 - A summary of the research findings
 - An analysis of the research methodology
 - **A survey of relevant published literature**
 - A critique of the research design

- **What is the key to achieving clarity and precision in your research writing? [1 Mark]**
 - **Choosing precise words with clear meanings and avoiding ambiguity.**
 - Using complex sentence structures and obscure vocabulary.
 - Focusing on creative use of figurative language and literary devices.
 - Writing long and elaborate sentences to showcase your analytical skills

- **The most effective use of language in research writing involves: [1 Mark]**
 - Employing complex jargon and technical terms to impress your reader.
 - **Using clear, concise, and precise language to communicate your ideas effectively.**
 - Incorporating figurative language and literary devices to enhance the aesthetic appeal.
 - Adopting a formal and archaic style to signal your academic expertise.

- **Effective close reading focuses on: [1 Mark]**
 - Identifying authorial intent and biographical details.
 - **Analyzing the role of specific word choices, literary devices, and structure.**
 - Connecting the text to current events and social issues.
 - Evaluating the text's morality and providing ethical judgments.

- **When analysing a work of fiction, what should be the primary focus? [1 Mark]**
 - The historical context in which it was written.
 - The author's biography and personal experiences.
 - The development of the plot and characters
 - **The underlying themes and symbolic meanings.**

- **Which literary term refers to the use of exaggeration for emphasis or effect? [1 Mark]**
 - Irony
 - **Hyperbole**
 - Metaphor
 - Simile

- **In which literary genre does magical realism often occur? [1 Mark]**
 - **Fantasy**
 - Science fiction
 - Historical fiction
 - Mystery

- **Which of the following statements is an example of a valid generalization in literary analysis? [1 Mark]**
 - "All Gothic novels feature haunted castles and brooding heroes."
 - **"Romantic poetry consistently emphasizes emotionalism and subjective experience."**
 - "Every Shakespearean play contains at least one comedic character."
 - "Modernist literature is always characterized by fragmented narratives and stream-of-consciousness techniques."

- **What is the most important factor to consider when making generalizations in literary analysis? [1 Mark]**
 - The length and popularity of the literary work being analyzed.
 - The opinions and interpretations expressed by other readers.
 - The historical context and cultural background of the author and audience.
 - **The textual evidence and internal logic of the literary work itself.**

- **In research methodology, what role does generalization play? [1 Mark]**
 - Generating specific hypotheses
 - Limiting the scope of a study
 - **Extending findings to a larger population**
 - Eliminating the need for data analysis

- **Which of the following best exemplifies a generalization? [1 Mark]**
 - "In the third chapter, the protagonist faces a moral dilemma."
 - **"All teenagers are rebellious and resistant to authority."**
 - "The setting of the novel is a small village in the 19th century."
 - "The poem uses vivid imagery to describe the beauty of nature."

- **A deductive argument is valid if: [1 Mark]**
 - **premises are true, and conclusion is true**
 - premises are true and conclusion is false
 - premises are false and conclusion is also false
 - premises are false and conclusion is true

- **Which of the following statements are mutually contradictory?**
 - i) All flowers are not fragrant.
 - ii) Most flowers are not fragrant.
 - iii) None of the flowers are fragrant.
 - iv) Most flowers are fragrant.

Choose the correct answer from the code given below. [1 Mark]

 - (ii) and (iii)
 - (i) and (iii)
 - **(iii) and (iv)**
 - (i) and (ii)

- **A postman walked 20 m straight from his office, turned right and walked 10 m. After turning left he walked 10 m and after turning right walked 20 m. He again turned right and walked 70m. How far he is from his office? [1 Mark]**
 - 40 m
 - **50 m**
 - 60 m
 - 20 m

- **The next term in the series: ABD, DGK, HMS, MTB, SBL, _____, ... is: [1 Mark]**
 - ZKU

- ZCA
 - ZKR
 - **ZKW**
- **In the series 1, 6, 15, 28, 45 ... the next term will be: [1 Mark]**
 - 76
 - 56
 - **84**
 - 66
- **What does URL stand for? [1 Mark]**
 - **Uniform Resource Locator**
 - Universal Reference Link
 - Universal Resource Link
 - Uniform Reference Locator
- **Which of the following is an example of an operating system? [1 Mark]**
 - Microsoft Office
 - **Linux**
 - Adobe Acrobat
 - Google Chrome
- **What is the best way to organize your digital files related to literary research? [1 Mark]**
 - Save everything in one folder named "Literature."
 - Rely solely on cloud storage without local backups.
 - **Create folders by specific projects, authors, or topics.**
 - Leave files scattered across different devices and folders.
- **Which software is best suited for managing large and complex reference libraries? [1 Mark]**
 - Mendeley
 - Zotero
 - **Both Mendeley and Zotero**
 - Neither Mendeley nor Zotero
- **What does the acronym PDF stand for? [1 Mark]**
 - Personal Document Format
 - Printable Document File
 - Public Document Folder
 - **Portable Document Format**

Section: Section-B

- **To whom did Stephen Gosson dedicate "The School of Abuse"? [1 Mark]**
 - Queen Elizabeth I
 - **Sir Philip Sidney**
 - Edmund Spenser
 - Christopher Marlowe
- **Published in 1604, the first monolingual English Dictionary was- [1 Mark]**
 - Nathaniel Bailey's Universal Etymological Dictionary of English Language
 - Samuel Johnson's Dictionary of the English Language
 - **Robert Cawdrey's Table Alphabetical**
 - Thomas Blount's Glossographia
- **Who criticised Shakespeare by referring to him as an "upstart crow" among the following playwrights? [1 Mark]**
 - Christopher Marlow
 - George Peele
 - Thomas Nashe
 - **Robert Greene**

- Which Shakespearean play is the song "Under the green wood tree" featured in? [1 Mark]
 - Love's Labour's Lost
 - A Midsummer Night's Dream
 - **As You Like It**
 - Much Ado About Nothing

- Who authored Utopia- [1 Mark]
 - Cervantes
 - Machiavelli
 - Poliziano
 - **Thomas More**

- In John Milton's epic poem "Paradise Lost," who becomes Satan's chief lieutenant in Hell? [1 Mark]
 - Moloch
 - Mammon
 - **Beelzebub**
 - Belial

- What historical period followed Shakespeare's era and is credited with the "rise of drama" in England? [1 Mark]
 - The Augustan Age
 - The Elizabethan Era
 - **The Restoration Period**
 - The Commonwealth Period

- Which dramatic genre flourished in the Jacobean era? [1 Mark]
 - Pastoral Drama
 - Historical Drama
 - **Revenge Tragedy**
 - Comedy of Manners

- Who was a prominent playwright of the Restoration period known for comedies? [1 Mark]
 - **William Wycherley**
 - George Etherege
 - John Milton
 - Oliver Goldsmith

- The Royal Society was established in [1 Mark]
 - 1640
 - **1662**
 - 1688
 - 1665

- Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of the Augustan Age? [1 Mark]
 - Predominance of satire
 - Rise of new prose forms
 - Emphasis on reason and order over emotion
 - **Rejection of classical influences**

- When did the periodical essay first emerge in English literature? [1 Mark]
 - Late 17th century
 - Mid-18th century
 - **Early 18th century**
 - Late 18th century

- Which journal was published only on Tuesdays and Saturdays? [1 Mark]
 - The Tatler
 - The Spectator

- The Guardian
 - **The Rambler**
- **Which novel is considered a seminal work of the Sensibility movement? [1 Mark]**
 - Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
 - Gulliver's Travels by Jonathan Swift
 - Tom Jones by Henry Fielding
 - **Pamela by Samuel Richardson**
- **Which poem is considered a classic example of Graveyard poetry? [1 Mark]**
 - The Rape of the Lock by Alexander Pope
 - **Night Piece on Death by Thomas Parnell**
 - Ode on a Grecian Urn by John Keats
 - The Vanity of Human Wishes by Samuel Johnson
- **Who is known as the "Lake Poet" among the following? [1 Mark]**
 - John Keats
 - William Blake
 - **Samuel Taylor Coleridge**
 - Lord Byron
- **Which writer does NOT belong to the first generation of Romantics? [1 Mark]**
 - William Wordsworth
 - **John Keats**
 - Samuel Taylor Coleridge
 - Charles Lamb
- **How did Romantic literature differ from the literary practice of the 18th century? [1 Mark]**
 - Emphasis on reason and classical models
 - **Increased focus on imagination, emotion, and individual experience**
 - Continued use of the heroic couplet and traditional forms
 - Rejection of interest in nature and urban life
- **Robert Southey argued that the Romantics drew inspiration from a specific historical event. Which event was it? [1 Mark]**
 - The American Revolution
 - **The French Revolution**
 - The Industrial Revolution
 - The Napoleonic Wars
- **Who is known as Elia, the prince among English essayists? [1 Mark]**
 - **Charles Lamb**
 - George Savile,
 - Sir William Temple
 - Jhon Dryden
- **Charlotte Brontë wrote The Green Dwarf under the pseudonym of [1 Mark]**
 - Currer Bell
 - Ellis
 - Acton Bell
 - **Lord Charles Albert Florian Wellesley**
- **Which novel is subtitled 'A Novel without a Hero' among the following options? [1 Mark]**
 - Middlemarch
 - Wuthering Heights
 - Oliver Twist
 - **Vanity Fair**
- **Who among the following is NOT considered a major Victorian poet? [1 Mark]**
 - Elizabeth Barrett Browning

- **Robert Frost**
 - Alfred Tennyson
 - Christina Rossetti
- **Which of Charlotte Brontë's novels stands out for its focus on education and personal growth rather than the heroine's passionate romance? [1 Mark]**
 - The Professor
 - Shirley
 - Villette
 - **Jane Eyre**
- **Which of the following is not a novel written by Thomas Hardy? [1 Mark]**
 - Tess of the d'Urbervilles
 - Far from the Madding Crowd
 - **Wuthering Heights**
 - Jude the Obscure
- **A character in Virginia Woolf's novel changes his sex. Which is that novel? [1 Mark]**
 - Mrs. Dalloway
 - **Orlando**
 - The Voyage Out
 - To the Lighthouse
- **Identify the Shakespearean play deemed an 'artistic failure' by T. S. Eliot from the following options: [1 Mark]**
 - The Tempest
 - Henry IV
 - Twelfth Night
 - **Hamlet**
- **Which 20th-century author, inspired by one of Donne's 'Meditations,' titled a famous novel set during the Spanish Civil War? [1 Mark]**
 - **Ernest Hemingway**
 - Jack London
 - Herman Melville
 - William Somerset Maugham
- **Which of the following is NOT considered a characteristic of modern poetry? [1 Mark]**
 - Use of free verse
 - Rejection of formalism
 - **Strict adherence to traditional rhyming schemes and meter**
 - Incorporation of everyday language
- **Who famously declared, "We are the hollow men / We are the stuffed men"? [1 Mark]**
 - Virginia Woolf
 - **T.S. Eliot**
 - Aldous Huxley
 - W. H. Auden
- **Who was awarded the 2024 Neustadt International Prize for Literature? [1 Mark]**
 - Czesław Miłosz
 - **Ananda Devi**
 - Boubacar Boris Diop
 - Gabriel García Márquez
- **Who said the following words: "Indo-Anglian literature is a curious phenomenon with a fairly long history." [1 Mark]**
 - P.P.Mehta
 - K.S.Srinivasa Iyengar
 - **V.K. Gokak**
 - Prema Nand Kumari

- **How did W.B. Yeats contribute to Purohit Swami's "The Autobiography of an Indian Monk"? [1 Mark]**
 - He co-authored the entire text.
 - **He provided an introduction.**
 - He wrote the foreword and edited the manuscript.
 - He translated sections from Sanskrit to English.

- **Who coined the term "Black Atlantic" in the context of cultural studies and diaspora studies? [1 Mark]**
 - W. E. B. Du Bois
 - Frantz Fanon
 - **Paul Gilroy**
 - Toni Morrison

- **In Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni's The Palace of Illusions, which Indian epic is the central character inspired by? [1 Mark]**
 - Ramayana
 - Savitri
 - **Mahabharata**
 - Vikramorvashi

- **The novel "Things Fall Apart" by Chinua Achebe is set in which African country? [1 Mark]**
 - **Nigeria**
 - South Africa
 - Ghana
 - Kenya

- **Who among the following African novelists was a student of philosophy and literature in India? [1 Mark]**
 - **Nuruddin Farah**
 - Ben Okri
 - Helon Habila
 - Benjamin Kwakye

- **Which of the following works is not authored by Wole Soyinka? [1 Mark]**
 - The Interpreters
 - **Home and Exile**
 - The Swamp Dwellers
 - Kongi's Harvest

- **Released in 1960, Harper Lee's To Kill a Mockingbird is set against the backdrop of: [1 Mark]**
 - The Vietnam War
 - World War II
 - **The Civil Rights Movement**
 - The Great Depression

- **Sri Aurobindo's poetry revolves around the concept of the "psychic being." What does this term signify? [1 Mark]**
 - The unconscious mind
 - **The immortal soul**
 - The physical body
 - The ego

- **Which literary theorist is associated with the "Simulacra and Simulation" concept? [1 Mark]**
 - Roland Barthes
 - Jacques Derrida
 - **Jean Baudrillard**
 - Michel Foucault

- The term "intertextuality" is closely linked with the works of: [1 Mark]
 - Julia Kristeva
 - Northrop Frye
 - Harold Bloom
 - Edward Said

- When did Matthew Arnold compose the Preface to Poems? [1 Mark]
 - 1849
 - 1852
 - 1853
 - 1858

- Which feminist critic coined "gynocriticism" to explore female literary traditions? [1 Mark]
 - Elaine Showalter
 - Judith Butler
 - Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak
 - Sandra Gilbert

- Who is often considered the leading figure of postcolonial literature and wrote "The Location of Culture"? [1 Mark]
 - Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak
 - Edward Said
 - Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o
 - Homi K. Bhabha

- Explain how the statement "there are none so credulous as infidels" can be considered an example of a literary device among the options provided. [1 Mark]
 - Oxymoron
 - Paradox
 - Antithesis
 - Metonymy

- Identify the literary device used in the phrase "The pen is mightier than the sword": [1 Mark]
 - Image
 - Conceit
 - Metonymy
 - Simile

- In poetry, when one line seamlessly flows into the next without punctuation to slow the reading, it is a case of - [1 Mark]
 - caesura
 - consonance
 - enjambment
 - hyperbole

- In prosody, what term refers to the pattern of stressed and unstressed syllables in a line of poetry? [1 Mark]
 - Rhyme scheme
 - Meter
 - Enjambment
 - Stanza

- What is the term for repeating consonant sounds at the beginning of successive words in a sentence? [1 Mark]
 - Alliteration
 - Assonance
 - Onomatopoeia
 - Consonance