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2025
(FYUGP)
2nd Semester
AECC Alternative English 1
(Paper Code: ALTE-I)

Full Marks: 37 ½

Time: 2 Hours

Pass Mark: 40 %

(Part A- Objectives)

Objective Type Questions (Tick the correct answer):

$\frac{1}{2} \times 15 = 7\frac{1}{2}$ marks

1. The poem "*An Introduction*" mainly explores:
 - (a) Historical events
 - (b) Feminine identity and resistance
 - (c) Religious customs
2. What is the speaker's tone when she talks about politics and language?
 - (a) Humorous
 - (b) Submissive
 - (c) Assertive and rebellious
3. The speaker in "*An Introduction*" says she speaks in:
 - (a) Tamil and French
 - (b) Two languages, dreams in one
 - (c) Three languages, dreams in one
4. What does the line "I am sinner, I am saint" reflect?
 - (A) The duality of her existence
 - (b) Her devotion to family
 - (c) Her religious beliefs
5. "*Background, Casually*" is largely:
 - (a) A patriotic poem
 - (b) An autobiographical reflection
 - (c) A political manifesto
6. Which among the following is the reason for gender discrimination in India.
 - (a) Religious reason
 - (b) social reason
 - (c) both a and b
7. Why did Ezekiel return to India?
 - (a) He missed Indian food
 - (b) He wanted to find a job
 - (c) He realized India was his home

8. In the poem, the poet calls himself:
- (a) A philosopher and saint
 - (b) A rascal, a clown, and a poet
 - (c) A servant of the state
9. The old storyteller's most prized possession is:
- (a) His walking stick
 - (b) Her stories and six stones
 - (c) His traditional clothes
10. The story reflects a tension between:
- (a) Villagers and wild animals
 - (b) Old traditions and modern scepticism
 - (c) Poets and politicians
11. The grandsons think the storyteller is:
- a) Superstitious and outdated
 - (b) A wise man
 - (c) Their spiritual leader
12. The author of the poem "The Old Story Teller" is
- a) Eastering Kire
 - b) Inakali Assumi
 - c) Temsula Ao
13. Dhanai's Young cow-elephant was named
- a) Bubul
 - b) Jonti
 - c) Makhoni
14. The contract between Mr. Bose an Phukan was for
- a) 6 Rhino horns
 - b) 5 Rhino horns
 - c) 4 Rhino horns
15. The seed of Indian writing in English was sown:
- (a) during the British rule
 - (b) after India's Independence
 - (c) during the period of modernization

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II. Answer any five of the following questions briefly: 1×5=5 Marks

1. What was the speaker's childhood like in "Background, Casually"?
2. What does the legend of the six stones tell us?
3. Why does the speaker choose to write in English?
4. What made Phukan collaborate with the poachers?
5. What does the author mourn in "The Old Story Teller"?
6. What kind of identity does the speaker seek in the poem "An Introduction"?
7. What title were the boys given in "The Kaziranga Trail," and for what reason?

Part – B Descriptive

Descriptive Type Questions (Answer any five): 5x5=25 Marks

1. Discuss the role of English language in Indian English Literature.
2. Discuss the construction and politics of gender in India.
3. Critically analyse the poem *An Introduction*.
4. How is Jonti portrayed as a character in the story?
5. To wrench the thieving Dog/ And consign all my stories/ To the script in his ancient entrails — Explain with reference to the context.
6. Discuss the phase of Ezekiel's life as portrayed in "Background Casually".
7. Discuss the main message of *The Kaziranga Trail* in relation to the human activities killing an innocent animal for profit.
