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QUESTION BANK

PAPER VI : Nineteenth Century Prose and Fiction

SHORT QUESTIONS

- 1. Who is the writer of Sense and Sensibility? When was she born?
- 2. Where do the Dashwood family lives when the novel opens?
- 3. Who is the character in 'Sense and Sensibility' that tries to match Marianne and the Colonel?
- 4. What is the symbolic relevance of the title 'sense and Sensibility'?
- 5. What are some general trends of Nineteenth Century Prose style of writing?
- 6. What are the names of the three sisters in the novel 'Sense and Sensibility'?
- 7. Who is the writer of Great Expectation?
- 8. When was Thomas Hardy born?
- 9. What is the style of Thomas Hardy's writings?
- 10. What is the significance of the title 'Dr. Jeckyll and Mr. Hyde?
- 11. Who is the protagonist in Thomas Hardy's novel?
- 12.Draw a brief sketch of the tragic Female character in Tess of D'Urbervilles?
- 13. What is the main crux of the text 'Aspects of a Novel'?
- 14. What is the meaning of 'Pathetic Fallacy'?
- 15.How does landscape matches the mood of the story in Tess of the D'Urbervilles?
- 16. Where the main action does takes place in Hardy's novel?
- 17. Write a short note on the character of Angel in Tess of the D'Urbervilles?
- 18. How does Alec die in Hardy's novel?
- 19. Who is the writer of Aspects of Novel?
- 20. How does Forster define the Novel?
- 21. How is plot important for any novel as discussed by E M Forster?
- 22.In which university did Forster gave his series of lectures on Aspects of Novel?
- 23. What is the significance of using a metaphor as pointed by Ruskin in his work Pathetic Fallacy?

- 24.Story is the most important element in the writing of a novel. Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer?
- 25.Discuss about the writing style of Jane Austen?

LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

- 1. Draw the social milieu of Jane Austen's novels?
- 2. Draw the character sketch of Marianne Dashwood ?
- 3. Draw the Character sketch of Elinor Dashwood?
- 4. Comment on Jane Austen's depiction of gender roles in her novels?
- 5. Draw a contrast between the character of Colonel Brandon and Willoughby?
- 6. What is the significance of the title 'Great Expectation'?
- 7. Who is Miss. Havisham? How does she relate to the other characters in the novel?
- 8. What is the role of nature in Hardy's novel Tess of the D'urbervilles?
- 9. Critically analyses the character Tess and also show how she is instrumental in bringing about her doom?
- 10.Comment on the duality presented by Stevenson in Dr Jackel and Mr Hyde?
- 11. How does the element of suspense and mystery help in making the story interesting in the novel Dr Jekyll and Mr. Hyde?
- 12.Is Tess a helpless victim or she is guilty of the actions she has committed?
- 13. How does Hardy's novel Tess of the D'ubervilles highlight the injustice of Existence?
- 14.Discuss the narrative approach in Stevenson's Dr Jekyll and Mr. Hyde?
- 15. What is the significance of co-existence of good and evil in Stevenson's Dr Jekyll and Mr. Hyde?
- 16.Draw a comparison between the two characters Dr Jekyll and Mr. Hyde?
- 17. Critically analyze the conclusion of Stevenson's book?
- 18. What are the main ideas shared by E M Forster in his work 'Aspects of a Novel'?
- 19. How story is important from the point of view of writing a novel? Discuss keeping in mind the ideas shared by Forster?
- 20. What is Ruskin's concept of 'Pathetic Fallacy'? Give examples.
- 21. What is the difference between Pathetic Fallacy and Personification in literature?
- 22. How does Pathetic Fallacy depend on the personality of the poet? Explain.
- 23.Explain in detail the seven aspects of a novel as mentioned by Forster?
- 24.Draw a detailed character sketch of the protagonist of Great Expectations?
- 25. What were the major trends of nineteenth century prose writing in literature?