

## U.G./P.G. ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021

## COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

Time : Two Hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

## Part I (Objective Type Questions)

*Fill in the blanks by choosing appropriate words from the given choices.  
Attempt all twenty questions.*

1. George Orwell wrote \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) A Hanging. (c) The God of Small Things.  
(b) Jane Eyre. (d) Freya Stark
2. 'The Coromandel Fishers' is a collection of poetry by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Salman Rushdie. (c) Sarojini Naidu.  
(b) Rabindranath Tagore. (d) Kamala Das.
3. 'Eyes of the Cat' is written by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Lord Tennison. (c) Ruskin Bond.  
(b) Anton Chekhov. (d) R.K. Narayan.
4. 'Things Fall Apart' is a work by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Jane Austen. (c) Earnest Hemingway.  
(b) Chinua Achebe. (d) Salman Rushdie.
5. "Preface to Lyrical Ballads" is written by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Mathew Arnold (c) P.B. Shelly.  
(b) T.S. Eliot (d) William Wordsworth.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ is a well-known English Playwright.  
(a) Philip Sidney. (c) S.T. Coleridge.  
(b) William Shakespeare. (d) P.B. Shelly.

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7. Film "Charulatha" was directed by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Girish Karnad. (c) Sathyajith Ray  
(b) Shyamaprasad. (d) Roman Polenski.
8. "Her Lover" is a short fiction written by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Maxim Gorky. (c) James Joyce.  
(b) O Henry. (d) Shally Morgan.
9. "Zoo Story" is a play written by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Anton Chekhov. (c) Roman Polenski.  
(b) Edward Albee. (d) Kobo Abe.
10. The epic "War and Peace" was written by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Maxim Gorky. (c) Anton Chekhov.  
(b) Fyodor Dostoyevsky. (d) Leo Tolstoy.
11. The term 'World Literature' is coined by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Raymond Williams. (c) Susan Basnett.  
(b) Rabindranath Tagore. (d) Geothe.
12. Elegy is a \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Genre. (c) Novel.  
(b) Sub-genre. (d) Discourse.
13. Comparative Literature involves a \_\_\_\_\_ kind of approach.
- (a) Mono-disciplinary. (c) Multi-disciplinary.  
(b) Nano-disciplinary. (d) All these.
14. Mahasvethadevi was a great Indian writer, who wrote in \_\_\_\_\_ language.
- (a) Kannada. (c) Oriya.  
(b) Tamil. (d) Bengali.
15. "Dracula" is related to a \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Gothic novel. (c) Historic novel.  
(b) Didactic novel. (d) Romantic novel.

16. 'My Story' is written by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Thakazhi. (c) Kamaladas.  
(b) Pottakkad. (d) P. Valsala.
17. Natyasastra is related to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Kalidasa. (c) Kautilya.  
(b) Bharatha. (d) Chanakya.
18. Magic realism is closely associated with \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Brecht. (c) Gabriel Garcia Marques.  
(b) Roland Barthes. (d) Rabindranath Tagore.
19. Translation plays a great role in \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Medical Science. (c) Engineering.  
(b) Comparative Literature. (d) Driving.
20. Boris Pasternak is a \_\_\_\_\_ write.
- (a) English. (c) Russian.  
(b) French. (d) German.

(20 × 2 = 40 marks)

## Part II

- A. Choose the closest English equivalent of the given Malayalam literary terms from those choices given below in English: Attempt all of the following :

	<i>Malayalam words</i>	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1	ആമുഖം	Introduction	Preface	Prologue	None of these
2	തദ്യകവിത	Narrative	Narrative verse	Lyrical ballad	None of these
3	പ്രതിബിംബം	Idol	Imaging	Imagery	Symbolic
4	വിലാപ കാവ്യം	Ode	Elegy	Mourn	Hymn
5	ഭാവതാനം	Lyricism	Song	Lyric	None of these
6	പുരോഗമനവാദം	Progressive Thought	Development	Improvement	None of these
7	ലേഖനം	Collection	Essay	Composition	None of these
8	ഹാസ്യനാടകം	Comic	Farce	Drama	Play
9	കാല്പനികത	Romanticism	Romantic	Emotion	Imagination
10	ഇതിഹാസകാവ്യം	Epic Poem	Lyrical verse	Poetry	Lyric

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

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B. Translate the following passage from English into Malayalam / Hindi :

*The Victories of Peace*

The word victory is generally associated in our minds with war, and calls up visions of battles, bloodshed, and conquest by force. We think of war as a glorious thing because of its famous victories and splendid triumphs. But when we think of the achievements of great men—statesmen, scholars, social reformers, scientists, philanthropists, explorers, discoverers and honest workers—for the betterment of the human race and the progress and civilization of the world. We realize that the victories of peace are even more glorious than the victories of war.

(1 × 10 = 10 marks)

**Part III**

*Subject based Short Essays.*

*Attempt any two of the following :*

- 1 Define Comparative Literature, Its scope of study.
- 2 Marginalised voices in Literature.
- 3 Feminist Literature - what do you understand by Black feminism ?
- 4 Romanticism as a literary movement in the West and in Indian literature - Compare.
- 5 Rabindranath Tagore as Indian National poet.
- 6 Contemporary Indian English Fiction writers.
- 7 Role of Translation in Comparative Literary studies.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)

**Part IV**

*Literature based General questions : Write Short Essays.*

*Attempt any two of the following*

- 1 Literature and its role in shaping Society.
- 2 Literature and Film.
- 3 Basic elements of Poetry.
- 4 Various forms of e-literature (Digital literature).
- 5 What do you understand by cultural plurality and hybridity ?
- 6 Write about your favourite fiction writer and his/her contribution to literature.
- 7 What motivated you to choose a discipline like Comparative Literature for PG ?

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)