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# M A DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION, JULY 2021

## **Fourth Semester**

Faculty of Language and Literature

## **Elective - EN820402 - MODERN EUROPEAN DRAMA**

M A ENGLISH,M A ENGLISH (SF) 2019 Admission Onwards 05854EF3

Time: 3 Hours Weightage: 30

## **Part A (Short Answer Questions)**

Answer any **eight** questions.

Weight **1** each.

- 1. Why is it impossible to identify modern theatre with realism?
- 2. Explain how postmodernism influences stand -up comedy.
- 3. Describe the setting of Miss Julie?
- 4. Write a note on power relations in the play Miss Julie.
- 5. Analyse the meta-theatrical aspects in Six Characters in Search of an Author.
- 6. Why does Andrea and Galileo fall apart?
- 7. Explain the parallel between Agamemnon's murder and Easter.
- 8. Who is Claire?
- 9. Feminism in Hamletmachine.
- 10. Social class in Woyzeck.

(8×1=8 weightage)



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## Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight **2** each.

- 11. How did Strindberg transform Modern European Drama?
- 12. Explain realism in drama as introduced by Ibsen in "A Doll's House".
- 13. Evaluate the character of Lopahin in the Cherry Orchard.
- 14. How does Six Characters in Search of an Author challenge the autonomy of the author?
- 15. Why do the characters remain nameless in the play Blood Wedding.
- 16. What are the elements fantasy in "The Maids"?
- 17. Working-class protagonist in Woyzeck.
- 18. How is the title of Catastrophe apt for the protagonist?

(6×2=12 weightage)

## Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any **two** questions.

Weight **5** each.

- 19. Elaborate on the role played by Epic Threatre in the evolution of Modern European Drama.
- 20. "Self sacrifice must be rewarded". Citing illustrations from Henrik Ibsen's A Doll's House; validate this statement.
- 21. Explain the dramatic techniques used by Brecht with special reference to his play "Life of Galileo" which fits the Epic theatre tradition.
- 22. The problems of shame and guilt in Sartre's Flies.

(2×5=10 weightage)

