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BEGE-108

**BACHELOR'S DEGREE
PROGRAMME (BDP)**

Term-End Examination

June, 2026

(Elective Course : English)

BEGE-108 : READING THE NOVEL

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : (i) Attempt any *five* questions.

(ii) All questions carry equal marks.

1. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

2×10=20

(a) The Narrative Mode

(b) Action and Plot

(c) The Picaresque

(d) Time and Place in the Novel

2. *A Tale of Two Cities* is a conflation of social change and personal stories. Discuss. 20

3. *Things Fall Apart* depicts changes brought about by colonialism in traditional Igbo society. Illustrate. 20
4. Identify and discuss the main themes of *Sunlight on a Broken Column*. 20
5. Mohanty's *Paraja* is a tragic tale of helpless characters. Discuss. 20
6. *The Awakening* is about growing up and acceptance. How does the character of Edna Pontellier reflect this ? 20
7. What do you understand by the psychological novel ? How does it differ from the novel of realism ? 20
8. Briefly discuss the growth of the Indian English novel. 20
9. Which of the novels in your course did you like the most ? Attempt a critical appreciation of the novel you have selected. 20

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