

MCQ for MA Entrance

Topic: Modern English Literature

1. 'This man had kept a school.....' Who is referred to here by W B Yeats?
- A. patrick henry pearse
 - B. thomasmacdonagh
 - C. major john macbride
 - D. maudgonne

Answer: A

2. Ted Hughes was honoured with the Poet Laureateship in the year——
- A. 1989
 - B. 1984
 - C. 1979
 - D. 1978

Answer: B

3. The opening lines of Journey of the Magi are a quotation from——
- A. lancelotandrewes's 1622 nativity sermon
 - B. the fly
 - C. cannonization
 - D. mathews

Answer: A

4. 'The black sailed ship' metaphorically alludes to.....
- A. birth
 - B. death

- C. resurrection
- D. fall

Answer: B

5. Name the theatre found by W. B Yeats?

- A. globe theatre
- B. abbey theatre
- C. greek theatre
- D. theatre of maudgonne

Answer: B.

6. The prototype of modern Angry Young Man in the play Look Back in Anger?

- A. cliff
- B. colonel redfurn
- C. jimmy porter
- D. john graham

Answer: C.

7. Name the German dramatist most associated with epic theatre?

- A. eugeneo'neill
- B. bertoltbrecht
- C. benjaminfondane
- D. elmer rice

Answer: B.

8. The term avant-garde literally means——-

- A. advance-guard

- B. carry on guards
- C. cheers guards
- D. come on guards

Answer: A.

9. The anthology New Lines was edited by———
- A. catherine
 - B. robert brook
 - C. philiplarkin
 - D. robert conquest

Answer: D.

10. Virginia Wolf belongs to the famous——— group.
- A. clapham group
 - B. bloomsbury group
 - C. feminist group
 - D. london group

Answer: B

11. —— is Sarah Woodruff's alleged French lover.
- A. varguennes
 - B. ernestina freeman
 - C. charlessmithson
 - D. sam farrow

Answer: A

12. An example of oxymoron in Easter 1916.

- A. terrible beauty
- B. horse-hoof slides
- C. green is worn
- D. vainglorious lout

Answer: A.

13. 'He had done most bitter wrong'—To whom was the wrong done?

- A. w.byeads
- B. thomasmacdonagh
- C. major john macbride
- D. maudgonne

Answer: D.

14. ——— was the verse memoir for Plath written by Ted Hughes.

- A. cave birds
- B. birthday letters
- C. river
- D. moor town

Answer: B.

15. 'Watching from a bluff the sparkling armada of ———draw near'

- A. promises
- B. faith
- C. hope

D. trust

Answer: A.

16. Harold Pinter's plays are typical examples of comedy of

A. menace

B. manners

C. humours

D. life

Answer: A.

17. In Dumb Waiter Ben and Gus quarrel over the phrase——-

A. lighting the kettle

B. capitalist slavery

C. naked vulnerability

D. life's burden

Answer: A.

18. In Easter 1916 Yeats commemorates ——-in Dublin on 24 April 1916.

A. uprising

B. marriage party

C. battle

D. religious function

Answer: A.

19. Marchbanks is a character from G B Shaw's play.....

A. pygmalion

- B. arms and the man
- C. candida
- D. the irrational knot

Answer: C.

20. Name the character mentioned as the mistress of Jimmy Porter.

- A. helenacharles
- B. alison
- C. madeline
- D. lisa

Answer: B.

21. Sarah Woodruff enjoys an artistic, creative life in the house of _____in the last part of French Lieutenant's Woman.

- A. rosetti
- B. rose
- C. magnum
- D. freeman

Answer: A.

22. The essay 'How should One Read a Book' appears in_____

- A. the common reader: second series
- B. orlando: a biography .
- C. mrsdollway
- D. to the lighthouse

Answer: A.

23. The Magi are the three wise men from the east who travelled to_____

- A. bethlehem
- B. israel
- C. jerusalem
- D. rome

Answer: A.

24. Who among the following is Alison's father

- A. colonel redfern
- B. webster
- C. nigel
- D. morgan

Answer: A.

25. The winged horse mentioned in the poem 'Easter 1916'

- A. pegasus
- B. sleipinir
- C. unicorn
- D. hippocampus

Answer: A.

26. The autobiographical novel "Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man" is being written by

- A. d.hlawrence
- B. thomas hardy
- C. jamesaugustinejoyce
- D. virginiawoolf

Answer: C.

27. Who coined the word 'Theatre of the Absurd'?

- A. albert camus
- B. franzkafka
- C. martin eslin
- D. robert

Answer: C.

28. According to Woolf the best way to understand a novel is to——— what we have read

- A. criticize
- B. compare
- C. write
- D. analyse

Answer: C.

29. Name Joyce's only collection of short stories

- A. the dubliners
- B. ulysses
- C. the portrait
- D. araby

Answer: A.

30. The short story "Araby" is narrated by

- A. a boy
- B. an young woman
- C. an elderly
- D. author

Answer: A.

31. Mention the name of pawnbroker's widow in the story "Araby"

- A. mrs.mercer
- B. mrs.pekker
- C. mrs.sampson
- D. mrs.heidegger

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- A. stream of consciousness
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35. Osborne's "Look Back in Anger" was first performed in the year

A. 1945

B. 1950

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Answer: B.

36. The early stories in Joyce's "Dubliners" have —— as protagonists

A. women

B. irish peasants

C. children

D. mythical characters

Answer: A.

37. —— is the only play published by James Joyce

A. exiles

B. the dead

C. the black sun

D. chamber music

Answer: C.

38. Who among the following is a Movement poet?

A. elizabethjennings

- B. ted hughes
- C. t.s Eliot
- D. w.h.auden

Answer: A.

39. "Dubliners" was first published in the year

- A. 1912
- B. 1914
- C. 1918
- D. 1921

Answer: B.

40. Stream of Consciousness novel is a product of

- A. 18 c
- B. 16c
- C. 17c
- D. 20c

Answer: D.

41. Virginia Woolf was the daughter of an eminent critic and scholar. Who was he?

- A. matthewarnold
- B. carlyle
- C. john ruskin
- D. lesliestephen

Answer: D.

42. Who has been called the leader of Angry Young Men?

- A. alansillitoe
- B. john wain
- C. colinwilson
- D. john osborne

Answer: D.

43. Yeats was awarded Nobel Prize for Literature in

- A. 1903
- B. 1910
- C. 1917
- D. 1923

Answer: D

44. Eliot's "Journey of the Magi" occurs in his

- A. ariel poems
- B. poems (1920)
- C. the wasteland
- D. four quartets

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