M.A. 4th Semester Examination, 2012 ENGLISH

PAPER-2203(A)

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 hours

Answer all questions

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

- 1. Answer any *one* of the following within 300 words: 10×1
 - (a) Critically examine the relationship between Voss and Laura.
 - (b) Comment on the quest motif in Voss.
 - (c) "Benang is Harley's quest for home." How does the author develop this idea?
 - (d) Critically examine the generic ambiguities of Benang with suitable textual illustrations.

- 2. Answer any *one* of the following within 300 words: 10×1
 - (a) Discuss Judith wright's vision of life and nature with reference to the poems you have read.
 - (b) Critically examine Oodgeroo Noonuccal's poem We are Going as a representative Aboriginal poem.
 - (c) Elaborate on the five strategies of appropriation in post colonial writing that Ashcroft at all delineate in *The Empire Writes Back*.
- 3. Answer any *one* of the following within 300 words: 10×1
 - (a) Comment on the theme of survival in Atwood's Surfacing.
 - (b) Comment on Leonard Cohen's Jewish identity as it is revealed in his poems.
- 4. Comment on any *two* of the following (each comment within 100 words): 5×2
 - (a) White's description of Jildra.
 - (b) As I see it, what we have to do is uplift and elevate these people to our own plane...

- (c) The symbol of 'train' in Judith Wright.
- (d) Wine and river images in Oodgeroo's Assimilation No!
- (e) The unnamed narrator's marital past in Surfacing.
- (f) Negritude as an act of strategic essentialism in The Empire Writes Back.