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Fourth Semester FYUGP Degree (Reg) Examination April 2026

KU4VACFNG205 - VOICES OF THE EARTH

2024 Admission onwards

Time : 1.5 hours Maximum Marks : 50

Section A

Answer any 6 questions. Each carry 2 marks.

1. In "This Poem is Garbage!!!", how does Kashyap describe the consumer's attitude toward the things they throw away?
2. In "This Poem is Garbage!!!", what is the irony of the poem's title?
3. How does the speaker in "Lines Written in Early Spring" characterize the connection between his soul and Nature?
4. What is the "holy plan" of Nature that Wordsworth refers to in his poem "Lines Written in Early Spring"?
5. In her essay/speech, what does Greta Thunberg say about the concept of "equity" in the Paris Agreement?
6. Why does Lolo secretly replant Tamarisk?
7. What proposal from the "Great Chief" in Washington does Chief Seattle address?
8. What is "sustainable harvesting" as practiced by Indigenous groups in UNEP?

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Section B

Answer any 4 questions. Each carry 6 marks.

9. Summarize Thunberg's message to the older generation regarding their responsibility for the Earth.
10. How does Greta Thunberg use her personal experience with Asperger's to explain how she views the climate crisis?
11. Analyze the character of Lolo: Is he a hero, a victim, or a survivor?
12. Analyze the theme of "Ancestral Memory" in Joy Harjo's "Speaking Tree."
13. How does "Traditional Knowledge" help in identifying medicinal plants and genetic resources?

14. Analyze the UNEP's claim that protecting Indigenous rights is the most "cost-effective" way to protect forests.

Section C

Answer any 1 questions. Each carry 14 marks.

15. a) Using Tristram Stuart's talk, develop a plan for how "Circular Economy" principles can solve the food waste crisis.
b) How does Raj Kashyap use garbage imagery to critique consumer waste in modern poetry?

16. a) Discuss Velan in "The Axe" as an "Ecological Hero": Is his devotion to the trees a form of resistance against modernization?
b) "Interconnectivity is the law of the Earth." Analyze this statement using the biological examples provided in Camille T. Dungy's "Trophic Cascade."

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