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**M. A. (ENGLISH)**

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**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2025**

**MEG-19 : THE AUSTRALIAN NOVEL**

*Time : 3 Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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***Note :*** Answer any ***five*** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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1. Trace the development of the novel in nineteenth century Australia. What were the major themes of the Australian novels of this period ?

2. Who were the major Australian novelists of the Federation period ? Critically assess the writing of any *one* of these novelists.
3. Discuss Patrick White's vision of religion as expressed in *The Tree of Man*.
4. Consider *Schindler's Ark* as a story of the triumph of humanity.
5. Explain how Kim Scott negotiates the theme of identity construction of the Noongar people in *Benang : From the Heart*.
6. Discuss how the novel *A Change of Skies* engages with the themes of identity crisis and cultural assimilation.
7. Explain how Peter Carey's novel *The True History of the Kelly Gang* engages with the theme of the social outlaw.

8. Write an essay tracing the development of Young Adult fiction in Australia.
9. Critically assess the recent developments in genres such as crime fiction and the graphic novel in Australia.

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