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INTEGRATED MA ENGLISH

COMPLEMENTARY - IEN2CM05 - HISTORY OF IDEAS: POST RENAISSANCE

2020 Admission Onwards

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Time: 3 Hours Weightage: 30

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any eight questions.

Weight 1 each.

- 1. What is the Latin formulation of Descartes's famous punchline, "I think, therefore I am"?
- 2. "Spinoza thinks that in fact God has an infinite number of attributes, but only two are known to us, the two identified by Descartes." What are those two attributes?
- 3. What is the criterion of identity, according to Locke?
- 4. What are matters of fact, according to Hume?
- 5. What is Philosophical Idealism?
- 6. What does Hegel say about "spirit"?
- 7. Who is the author of the book Leviathan? Briefly explain its theme.
- 8. Who authored the book A Vindication of the Rights of Women? What was the theme of this work?
- 9. Who wrote Dialectic of Enlightenment? What does the book deal with?
- 10. What is reality, according to British idealism?

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight 2 each.

- 11. Write a note on the criticism levelled against the theories of Leibniz by Voltaire.
- 12. Why does Berkeley say that matter does not exist?
- 13. Explain the "Copernican Revolution" proposed by Kant in our understanding of the nature of knowledge.



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- 14. How did Hegel influence other philosophers?
- 15. Compare the views on human nature by Hobbes and Rousseau.
- 16. Write a short not on divine command theory.
- 17. Why does Kierkegaard say that conventional Christians fall a long way short of authentic Christianity in their faith?
- 18. Explain the dictum "existence precedes essence". How is it different from Descartes dictum?

(6×2=12 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any **two** questions.

Weight **5** each.

- 19. What are the contributions of Descartes to philosophy?
- 20. What does Locke say about the source of ideas, types of ideas, qualities of objects and degrees of human knowledge?
- 21. Explain the concept of using someone as 'a means to an end' considering the trolley problem and the utilitarian theories.
- 22. What is psychoanalysis?

(2×5=10 weightage)

