

**First Semester FYUGP Degree (Reg/Sup) Examination
November 2025**

KU1DSCENG103 - LIFE WRITINGS

2024 Admission onwards

Time : 1.5 hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Section A

Answer any 6 questions. Each carry 2 marks.

1. Identify the significance of the use of images such as Villuvandi in the poem "My Savarna Friend."
2. Why does the narrator in the poem "My Savarna Friend" say that her friendship hangs on "buts"?
3. Why Ambedkar was advised to introduce himself to be a Muslim man while asking for water.
4. Why was Ambedkar not allowed to open the water tap at his school.
5. Define Memoir.
6. Identify a valid reason for considering Letter under Life Writings
7. What is the reaction of sighted people, according to John M Hull, with the blind people using visual metaphors?
8. Why did Revathi's friend choose not to go to Delhi with her, despite sharing similar feelings?

Section B

Answer any 4 questions. Each carry 6 marks.

9. Discuss the various features of biography
10. Critically evaluate the term, autobiography, and its association with the enlightenment philosophy.
11. Analyse the political context of memory writing.
12. Explain how John M Hull questions the mainstream perception of blindness in his memoir. Highlight the example of stairways.
13. Briefly explain the reasons behind the identity crisis experienced by A Revathi
14. How are Revathi's experiences with the dance troupe different from her experiences at home?

Section C

Answer any 1 questions. Each carry 14 marks.

15. (a) Prepare four questions to ask Aleena Akasamitayi for an interview and also prepare possible answers she might give.
(b) Imagine EV Ramakrishnan writing a letter to his friend narrating his experience in Bangalore. Create the letter focusing on his thoughts and feelings.
16. (a) Imagine you are in place of Ambedkar in his journey. How you could have behaved differently with various people he met?
(b) Prepare at least five exchanges of conversation between Kamala's brother and his mother at the night after the horrible experience in school.