

6. (a) Consider *The Exercise Book* as a critique of social evils.

**OR**

(b) Evaluate the character of Pyarimohan in Tagore's *The Exercise Book*.

7. (a) 'I believed that I too was not a joiner'.

How does the narrator position himself in the riot situation? Is he a detached observer or a participant?

**OR**

(b) 'I was awed by their courage', Ghosh writes of the Bawas and Mrs. Sen. How did they display this courage? Why is Ghosh so impressed? Were they really as courageous as the cook of the Bawa household?

8. (a) Critically appreciate *General, Your Tank is a Powerful Vehicle*.

**OR**

(b) Consider *General, Your Tank is a Powerful Vehicle* as a poem against oppression.

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