

St Joseph's College (Autonomous) Bangalore
 Mid-Semester Test August 2016
 MA (English) III Semester
 ENDE 9516 Children's Literature and its Discontents I

Time: 90 minutes.

Marks: 35

SECTION-A

Answer any ONE of the following:

(1x10=10)

1. Elaborate on the different notions of childhood that have prevailed at different times and in different places.
2. How and why is childhood said to be a cultural construct? Explain with examples.

SECTION-B

Answer any TWO of the following:

(2x10=20)

3. Examine the reasons why fairy tales are associated with childhood but are constantly rewritten depending on the changing nature of the audience.
4. John Locke wrote that children should be treated as rational creatures and be taught self-discipline. Examine in detail how any one of the children's novels you have studied this semester upholds Lockean pedagogy. -
5. Is the children's domestic novel different from the children's adult novel? Substantiate your argument with examples.

SECTION-C

Write a short note on any ONE of the following:

(1x5= 5)

6. The socio-historical and socio-cultural context of the sudden rise in books being written for children, in the second half of the 19th century
7. Ideology in children's literature
