

AU-2059

B.A. (Part-I) Semester—II Examination

ENGLISH LITERATURE

(Optional Subject)

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

Note :— All questions are compulsory.

UNIT-I

1. Attempt any **four** of the following questions in about **200** words each :

- (i) What are the characteristics of the metaphysical poetry ?
- (ii) Write about the features of classical literature.
- (iii) Discuss in detail the Pre-Raphaelite Movement in English Poetry.
- (iv) Write a detailed note on the Romantic Revival.
- (v) Write a note on the poets of the First World War.
- (vi) Write about the poets of the Second World War.

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UNIT-II

2. (A) How does the poem 'Ozymandias' make use of irony ?

OR

Critically appreciate the poem 'The World Is Too Much With Us'.

OR

Bring out the central theme of the poem 'The Pulley'.

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(B) Explain with reference to the context any **two** of the following :

- (i) Blest! who can unconcern'dly find,
Hours, days, and years slide soft away,
In health of body, peace of mind
Quiet by day.

- (ii) His eyes dimmed by age
 Fade homeward through the humid monsoon night.
 Now I can see him getting off the train
 like a word dropped from a long sentence.
- (iii) I met a traveller from an antique land
 who said : Two vast and trunkless legs of stone
 stand in the desert.
- (iv) Great Good! I'd rather be
 A Pagan suckled in a creed outward;
 So might I, standing on this pleasure lea.

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UNIT-III

3. (A) Write short notes on any three of the following :

- (i) Caesura
- (ii) Genre
- (iii) Rhythm
- (iv) Chorus
- (v) Epilogue.

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(B) Write a short historical account of reader-response criticism.

OR

What are the many ways in which Orientalism was dispersed ? How does it continue today ?

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UNIT-IV

4. Attempt any **two** of the following :

- (i) How does Synge bring out the ethos of rural Ireland in the play ?
- (ii) What change does Abel propose in his will ? What effects does this have on his daughters ?
- (iii) Explain in detail Maurya's state of mind at the end of the play 'Ride to the Sea'.

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UNIT-V

5. Attempt the following by choosing the correct option from those given below. Write complete sentences :
- (i) _____ is one of the characteristics of metaphysical poetry.
 - (a) Playfulness
 - (b) Obscurity
 - (c) Thoughtlessness
 - (d) Sadness
 - (ii) The classical age is also called the age of _____.
 - (a) Reason and Good sense
 - (b) Foolishness
 - (c) Futility
 - (d) Capitalism
 - (iii) Return to nature and the simple life is one of the characteristics of _____.
 - (a) The metaphysical poetry
 - (b) The Romantic Revival
 - (c) The Classical school of poetry
 - (d) The Pre-Raphaelite Movement
 - (iv) _____ is the poet of the Second World War.
 - (a) Keith Douglas
 - (b) Robert Groves
 - (c) Siegfried
 - (d) Wilfred Owen
 - (v) In the poem 'Ode to Solitude' the speaker wishes to leave the world _____.
 - (a) Unnoticed
 - (b) Unlamented
 - (c) Unseen
 - (d) Unknown
 - (vi) In the poem 'The World Is Too Much With Us' who among those gods own a wreathed horn ?
 - (a) Proteus
 - (b) Poseidon
 - (c) Triton
 - (d) Zeus
 - (vii) Which of these blessings were not given to man ?
 - (a) Strength
 - (b) Beauty
 - (c) Rest
 - (d) Honour
 - (viii) In the poem 'Father Returning Home' what does the father dream of ?
 - (a) his ancestors and grandchildren
 - (b) nomads entering India through a narrow pass
 - (c) becoming friends with his children
 - (d) retiring early

- (ix) 'Epilogue' is the _____ section of a text
 (a) First (b) Second
 (c) Third (d) Final
- (x) In literature, the 'pastoral' refers to literature in _____.
 (a) Rural setting (b) City
 (c) Metropolitan city (d) India
- (xi) Rhyme can be defined as the repetition of the same _____.
 (a) Sound (b) Lines
 (c) Words (d) Stanza
- (xii) Which schools of thought is reader-response theory based on ?
 (a) Phenomenology and hermeneutics (b) Hermeneutics and ontology
 (c) Post colonialism and Marxism (d) New criticism and deconstruction
- (xiii) Where do the girls hide the bundle ?
 (a) in the turf-loft (b) in the kitchen
 (c) beneath the floor boards (d) in a cupboard
- (xiv) Who discovers that Abel has died ?
 (a) Henry (b) Victorian
 (c) Mrs. Slater (d) Mrs. Jordan
- (xv) The term 'genre' is derived from the Latin word _____.
 (a) Genus (b) Venus
 (c) Triton (d) Genera
- (xvi) The rhythmic flow of a sequence of words or sentences in a text is called its _____.
 (a) Stress (b) Cadence
 (c) Rhythm (d) Rhyme