

2019

ENGLISH

[Honours]

PAPER —II

Full Marks : 90

Time : 4 hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks
Candidates are required to give their answers in their
own words as far as practicable*

GROUP — A

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10 × 1
 - (a) Who are 'University wits'? Make an evaluation of the achievements of any two of them.
 - (b) Discuss the influence of the Reformation on the literature of the age.

(Turn Over)

GROUP – B

2. Answer any *two* of the following questions : 15 × 2

- (a) Analyse the character of Lady Macbeth. Would you consider her as the 'Fourth witch' in the play ? Justify your answer.

Or

Write a brief note on Shakespeare's use of imagery in *Macbeth*.

- (b) Comment on Marlowe's portrayal of Younger Mortimer in *Edward - II*.

Or

Discuss, *Edward - II* as a historical tragedy.

- (c) Consider *Twelfth Night* as a Romantic Comedy.

Or

Discuss the role of Feste as a representative Shakespearean Fool in *Twelfth Night*.

3. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10 × 1

- (a) Would you regard Banquo as a foil to Macbeth ? Give reasons for your answer.
- (b) Comment briefly on the title and subtitle of the play *Twelfth Night*.
- (c) Bring out the dramatic significance of the Abdication scene in Marlowe's *Edward-II*.

4. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 5 × 1

- (a) What do the three witches prophesize in *Macbeth* ?
- (b) Discuss the importance of songs and music in *Twelfth Night*.
- (c) "The prince I rule, the queen do I command".— Who says this ? Who is the prince and who is the queen ? What is the context of this remark ?

GROUP – C

5. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 15 × 1

(a) Justify 'Loving in Truth' as an Elizabethan love sonnet.

(b) Critically comment on Shakespeare's sonnet 130.

(c) What is the relationship between God and Man in 'The Pulley' by George Herbert ? Elucidate.

6. Answer the following questions : 10 × 1

(a) Describe Bacon's Vision about death in his essay 'of Death'.

Or

(b) What , according to Bacon are the fruits of friendship ? Explain with reference to the essay 'Of Friendship'.

7. Answer any *two* of the following questions : 5 × 2

- (a) 'Vayne Man, Sayd she'— who said this and to whom? Why was he called the vain man?
 - (b) Comment on the concluding couplet of Shakespeare's sonnet no. 18.
 - (c) Why is the Sun called 'saucy Pedantic wretch' in Donne's 'The Sun Rising'?
 - (d) Why did the poet lover say that love's "baited hooks" would never entangle him?
 - (e) "Revenge triumphs over death; love slights it; honor aspireth to it; grief flieth to it; fear preoccupateth it." - Explain.
 - (f) "..... it redoubleth joys and cutteth griefs in half". How does Bacon prove this?
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