

2019

B.A. 1st Semester Examination

ENGLISH (Honours)

Paper : C 1-T

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 Hours

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

1. Answer *any two* of the followings : 10×2=20

- (a) How old were the Wife of Bath and Jankyn when they met ?
- (b) Why does the Wife of Bath mention King Solomon ?
- (c) What was the Wife of Bath's motive in marrying the first three husbands ?
- (d) What is kenning ? Give two examples of Kenning from *Beowulf*.

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- (e) What is Heorot ?
- (f) What are the manuscripts in which the Old English literature is preserved ?
- (g) Mention two major dialects of English in the Old English period.
- (h) Give examples of two heroic poems of the Old English period other than *Beowulf*.
- (i) What is the tenure of the reign of Alfred the Great ?
- (j) Mention two Old English elegies
- (k) Who were the authors of "Romance of the Rose" and "Piers Plowman" ?
- (l) Give examples of two Latin loan words adopted to English during England's conversion to Christianity.
- (m) What is a hybrid word ? Give examples of two hybrid words.
- (n) Attempt philological note of any one of the following : 'beautiful', 'husband', 'church'.

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- (o) Give examples of two French loan words related to military affairs.

2. Answer *any four* of the followings : $4 \times 5 = 20$

- (a) Attempt short notes on "The Ruin" and "The Wanderer".
- (b) Assess the significance of the *Anglo-Saxon Chronicle*.
- (c) Comment on the portrayal of the fight between Beowulf and Grendel in *Beowulf*.
- (d) Describe the fourth husband of the Wife of Bath.
- (e) Discuss briefly the French influence on the English language in the field of art and literature.
- (f) Discuss how the English language was influenced by the Greek language during the Renaissance.

3. Answer *any two* questions : $2 \times 10 = 20$

- (a) Write an essay on Anglo-Saxon religious Poetry.

- (b) Give an account of the Wife of Bath's concept of marriage as depicted in the "Prologue".
 - (c) Assess the scandinavian influence on the English language.
 - (d) Attempt an essay on the Latin influence on the English language.
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