

D 93163

(Pages : 3)

Name.....

Reg. No.....

FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2015

(CUCSS)

English

EN 1C 01—BRITISH LITERATURE FROM THE AGE OF CHAUCER TO THE 18TH CENTURY

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

I. Answer *all* the following questions in a word, phrase or sentence :

- 1 In what way does Donne question the criteria of saintliness in "The Canonization" ?
- 2 Why is the Fall regarded as partly fortunate ?
- 3 Where did the pilgrims in "The Canterbury Tales" assemble ?
- 4 What verse form is used in *Paradise Lost* ?

(4 × ½ = 2 weightage)

- 5 What is meant by picaresque novel ?
- 6 Which are the two countries satirized in Gulliver's first voyage ?
- 7 Which book of Kyd influenced Shakespeare's *Hamlet* ?
- 8 Give an example of a poem on *carpe diem* theme.

(4 × ½ = 2 weightage)

II. Answer any *three* of the following questions in a paragraph :

- 9 Aphoristic style in Bacon's essays.
- 10 Milton's use of epic similes.
- 11 Women characters in *Hamlet*.
- 12 Mac Flecknoe as a mock-heroic poem.
- 13 Pastoral qualities of Gray's "Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard".
- 14 Nature of love in "The Canonization".

(3 × 2 = 6 weightage)

III. Answer any *three* of the following :

- 15 No fair to thine
Equivalent or second, which compelled
Me thus, though importune perhaps, to come
And gaze, and worship thee, of right declared
Sovran of creatures, universal Dame.

Turn over

- 16 Indeed ? Hath God then said that of the fruit
Of all these garden-trees ye shall not eat,
Yet lords declared of all in earth or air ?
- 17 Ye eat thereof, your eyes that seem so clear,
Yet are but dim, shall perfectly be then
Opened and cleared, and ye shall be as gods,
Knowing both good and evil as they know.
- 18 Alas, alas, who's injur'd by my love ?
What merchant's ships have my sighs drown'd ?
- 19 We can die by it, if not live by love,
And if unfit for tombs and hearse
Our legend be, it will be fit for verse ;
- 20 But we by a love so much refin'd
That ourselves know not what it is,
Inter-assured of the mind,
Care less, eyes, lips, and hands to miss.

(3 × 2 = 6 weightage)

IV. Write essays on *four* of the following questions, choosing one from each section.

Section A

- 21 How is Atticus depicted in Pope's poem ?
- 22 Illustrate the relationship between man and natural world in Gray's "Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard".
- 23 If satire tends towards didacticism what is Dryden's poem aiming to correct ?

Section B

- 24 Comment on the grave digger's scene in *Hamlet*.
- 25 Discuss Webster's dramatization of the theme of evil and suffering in *The Duchess of Malfi*.
- 26 Examine *The School for Scandal* as a Comedy of Manners.

Section C

- 27 Bacon's essays reflect his deep understanding of human nature and ripe experiences of life. Discuss.
- 28 What makes the Houyhnhnms' society ideal or a model for humans ?
- 29 Describe Fielding's attitude towards marriage in *Tom Jones*.

Section D

- 30 Examine the metaphysical features in Donne's poetry.
- 31 Discuss the role of fate in *The Duchess of Malfi*.
- 32 Comment on the internal conflict of Hamlet.

(4 × 5 = 20 weightage)