

ENGLISH LITERATURE (Elective)
(Poetry and History of English Literature – A)

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Attempt all questions.

Section : A

1. Write short notes of about 150 words each on any *five* of the following concepts/terms giving illustrations from the prescribed texts :

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| (a) Ballad. | (b) Blank Verse. |
| (c) Dramatic Monologue. | (d) Elegy. |
| (e) Hymn. | (f) Hyperbole and Understatement. |
| (g) Sonnet. | (h) Symbol. |

3×5=15

Section : B

2. (a) Discuss the chief characteristics of the Romantic Period.

OR

- (b) Write a note on the major thematic and technical features of modern literature. 10

- (i) Ulysses by Tennyson. (ii) Tess of the d'urbervilles.

(iii) Lord Jim. 2½×2=5

Section : C

3. (a) Write the theme of the poem "Shaper Shaped" by Harbindranath Chattopadhyaya. 10

OR

- (b) Write the summary of "The Man He Killed" by Thomas Hardy.

- Explain any *one* of the following with reference to the context :

- (i) At church, with meek and unaffected grace,
His look adorned the venerable place;
Truth from his lips prevailed with double sway,
And fools, who came to scoff, remained to pray.

- (ii) Think not of me with grief and pain :
I now can see with better eyes;
And worldly grandeur I describe,
And fortune with her gifts and lies.

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Section : D

4. (a) Discuss *The Prelude*, Book First as a spiritual autobiography of the poet. **OR**
Both joy and fear played a role in the mental and spiritual growth of Wordsworth in his boyhood days. Discuss with reference to *The Prelude*, Book First. 10

- (b) Explain any *one* of the following with reference to the context :

- (i) Long months of ease and undisturbed delight
Are mine in prospect; whither shall I turn,
By road or pathway, or through trackless field,
Up hill or down, or shall some floating thing
Upto the river point me out my course ?

- (ii) My own voice cheered me, and, for more the mind's
Internal echo of the imperfect sound;
To both I listened, drawing from them both
A cheerful confidence in things to come.

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Section : E

5. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each :

- (i) Who has written the poem "My Mind to Me A Kingdom Is" ? (From Henry VIII)
- (ii) What happens to a person who hangs on prince's favour ? (After Blenheim)
- (iii) What did Peterkin find near the Stream ? (The Bird Sanctuary)
- (iv) Who is referred to as "Master of the Birds" ? (The Bird Sanctuary)
- (v) What does "that peaceful shore" refer to in the poem "On the receipt of My Mother's Picture Out of Norfolk" ?
- (vi) Who has written the poem "Who's Who" ?
- (vii) When the boy Wordsworth took a boat out without permission, what frightening sight did he see unexpectedly ? (The Prelude, Book First)
- (viii) What were the two influences that fostered Wordsworth's mental and spiritual growth in his early years ? (The Prelude, Book First)
- (ix) Is *The Prelude* a spiritual autobiography or a material autobiography of the poet ? (The Prelude, Book First)
- (x) On the basis of your study of *The Prelude*, Book First, tell what played a significant role in the formation of Wordsworth's character ? (Choose the correct answer)

- (a) Nature (b) Naturopathy (c) Naturalism. 2×10=20

6. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each :

- (i) What is meant by Alliteration ?
(ii) What is Confessional Poetry ?

- (iii) What is Doggerel ?
- (iv) What is meant by Light Verse ?
- (v) What is an Epithet ?

2×5=10

7. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each :

- (i) Who is known as a Poet of Nature ?
 - (ii) Name any *two* novelists of the Victorian Period.
 - (iii) Who has written *Lord Jim* ?
 - (iv) Who is known as a poet of the supernatural ?
 - (v) Who wrote the *Lyrical Ballads* ?
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2×5=10