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**ENGLISH LITERATURE**  
**First Paper (English Poetry and Drama)**

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**Time allowed : Three hours**

**Maximum Marks : 100**

All questions carry equal marks and all the five questions are compulsory; however, there is internal choice as part of unitization.

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1. Explain with reference to context any four of the following in about 415-200 words:
- (a) Earth has not anything to show more fair :  
Dull would he be of soul who could pass by  
A sight so touching in its majesty :  
This City now doth like a garment wear  
The beauty of the morning.
- (b) Full many a gem of purest ray serene  
The dark unfathomed caves of ocean bear:  
Full many a flower is born to blush unseen.  
And waste its sweetness on the desert air
- (c) For I was reared  
In the great city, pent 'mid cloisters dim,  
And saw nought lovely but the sky and stars.  
But thou, my babe! shalt wander like a breeze  
By lakes and sandy shores, beneath the clouds.
- (d) By the world.  
I think my wife be honest, and think she is not,  
I think that thou art just, and think thou art not,  
I'll have some proof. Her name, that was as fresh  
As Dian's visage, is now begrimed and black.  
As mine own face.
- (e) Triles light as air.  
Are to the jealous confirmations strong.  
As proofs of holy writ. this may do something  
The Moor already changes with my poison:  
Dangerous conceits are in their natures poisons  
Which at the first are scarce found to distaste  
but with a little art upon the blood  
Burn like the mines of sulphur.
2. (a) Answer the following in about 15-20 words each:
- (i) Name any two poets who have been hailed as the precursors of Romanticism.
- (ii) Whose death is said to have influenced Gray for he writing of his poem 'Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard'?
- (iii) From whom does Cowper receive his mother's picture as a gift?
- (iv) "I am not what I am" - From which text has this line been extracted and who said this?
- (v) "It moves us not" - Who composed this line and what is "it" that does not move us?
- (vi) "Myself will to my darling be  
Both law and impulse."  
and 'my darling' respectively?
- (vii) To whom does the 'old, mad dying king' refer to in "England in 1819"?
- (viii) What role does the 'village dog' perform in James Thomson's poem 'Winter'?

