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## FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024

(CBCSS - PG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

# CC19P ENG1 C01 - BRITISH LITERATURE FROM CHAUCER TO 18<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY

(English)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Maximum: 30 Weightage

#### Part-A

Answer any *four* questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 1. Why does Gulliver want to stay with the Houyhnhnms? Does his desire make sense in light of the other societies he has visited.
- 2. Discuss the significance of The Grave-diggers' scene in Hamlet.
- 3. What are the themes of the essay "Of Marriage and Single Life" by Sir Francis Bacon?
- 4. Analyse the chief characteristics of the 18th century British novels.
- 5. Attempt a short essay on the rise and development of the revenge plays.
- 6. Is The Rivals best characterized as a farce or a comedy.
- 7. Sketch the character of Sir Roger in the light of "Sir Roger at Church".

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ Weightage})$ 

## Part-B

Answer any *four* questions. Each question carries 3 weightage.

- 8. Here stopt the good old sire; and wept for joy In silent raptures of the hopeful boy. All arguments, but most his plays, persuade, That for anointed dullness he was made.
- 9. The grave's a fine and private place, But none, I think, do there embrace.
- 10. At Alisaundre he was, whan it was wonne; Ful ofte tyme he hadde the bord bigonne Aboven alle naciouns in Pruce.
- 11. So long as men can breathe or eyes can see, So long lives this, and this gives life to thee.
- 12. "One morn I miss'd him on the custom'd hill, Along the heath and near his fav'rite tree; Another came; nor yet beside the rill, Nor up the lawn, nor at the wood was he;
- 13. Oft did the harvest to their sickle yield, Their furrow oft the stubborn glebe has broke; How jocund did they drive their team afield! How bow'd the woods beneath their sturdy stroke!
- 14. To reign is worth ambition though in Hell: Better to reign in Hell, then serve in Heav'n.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ Weightage})$ 

### Part-C

Answer any two questions. Each question carries 5 weightage.

- 15. How does the poem "The Canonization" illustrate the idea that metaphysical poetry is characterized as much by logical precision as by a union of thought and feeling?
- 16. What is the significance, if any, of the order in which Gulliver's journeys take place? How does each adventure build on the previous one?
- 17. Write an essay on the different subplots in Hamlet and how they enrich the fabric of the main plot.
- 18. In his novel Joseph Andrews, Henry Fielding uses irony to express satire and offer social commentary. Explain.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ Weightage})$ 

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