

2017

( 1st Semester )

ENGLISH

FIRST PAPER

( History of English Literature )

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )

( Marks : 50 )

*The questions are of equal value*

1. (a) Write a note on the main characteristics of Old English literature.

Or

(b) Discuss the influence of Christianity on Anglo-Saxon literature.

2. (a) Trace the development of English drama by mentioning the different periods of its development.

Or

(b) Write a note on the historical factors which contributed to the growth of the great Elizabethan literature.

3. (a) Why is the 18th Century termed as the Classic Age?

Or

(b) Write a note on the development of satire in the 18th Century.

4. (a) Mention the literary characteristics of the Romantic Age.

Or

(b) Write a note on any three major poets of the Romantic period with reference to their literary works.

5. (a) Discuss the important literary trends of the Victorian Age.

Or

(b) Write an essay on the Victorian novel with reference to the prominent novelists of the age.

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( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )

( Marks : 25 )

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions*

**SECTION—A**

( Marks : 10 )

1. Put a Tick (✓) mark against the correct answer in the brackets provided : 1×10=10

(a) *Beowulf* is regarded as the earliest English

(i) satire ( )

(ii) epic ( )

(iii) drama ( )

(b) Waldere is a fragment of

(i) two leaves ( )

(ii) four leaves ( )

(iii) seven leaves ( )

(c) Edmund Spenser belonged to the

(i) Eighteenth Century ( )

(ii) Romantic Age ( )

(iii) Elizabethan Age ( )

(d) Ben Jonson tried to restore the

(i) Romantic tendency ( )

(ii) Classical standards ( )

(iii) Imaginative literature ( )

(e) One of the factors that helped to account for the new literary activity in the Elizabethan Age was

(i) theatre ( )

(ii) religious tolerance ( )

(iii) the Queen's charming personality ( )

(f) The discovery of the modern novel occurred in the

(i) 18th Century ( )

(ii) 16th Century ( )

(iii) 19th Century ( )

(g) "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity" are the watchwords of

(i) The Hundred Years' War ( )

(ii) The War of the Roses ( )

(iii) The French Revolution ( )

(h) The Victorian Age is often spoken of as an Age of

(i) doubt and pessimism ( )

(ii) hope and optimism ( )

(iii) None of the above ( )

(i) The Classic Age is often called the Age of

(i) Queen Elizabeth ( )

(ii) Queen Anne ( )

(iii) Queen Victoria ( )

(j) Tennyson's *In Memoriam* expresses a sense of

(i) joy ( )

(ii) grief ( )

(iii) beauty ( )

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SECTION—B

( Marks : 15 )

2. Give short answers to the following questions  
(any *five*) : 3×5=15

(a) Mention the symbolical significance of Beowulf's  
three battles with the dragons.

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(b) Write a short note on *Deor's Lament*.

( Marks : 15 )

2. Give short answers to the following questions  
(any five) :  
3×5=15

(a) Mention the symbolic significance of Beowulf's  
three battles with the dragons.

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(c) What are the main qualities of Spenser's poetry?

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(d) Write a brief note on Francis Bacon. (c)

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(e) Why is the 18th Century called an Age of Prose?

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(f) Explain the difference between Classicism and Romanticism.

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(g) Why is the Victorian Age called a period of social unrest?

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History of English Literature II

(PART - A - OBJECTIVE)

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The questions are to be attempted in full and in the order

SECTION

10 Marks

Write the answer in brief and mark appropriate parts of the answer

10-15

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(h) Write a short note on Robert Browning's dramatic monologue.

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