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(N001) B.A. FIRST SEMESTER
End Semester
Examination, Dec.-2025-26
Course type : DSC
Compulsory/Optional
(11) ENGLISH LITERATURE
Introduction to the study of English Literature

Time : Three Hours] ***[Maximum Marks : 70***

नोट : दोनों खण्डों से निर्देशानुसार उत्तर दीजिए। प्रश्नों के अंक उनके दाहिनी ओर अंकित हैं।

Note : Answer from both the section as directed. The Figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.

Section-A

1. Answer the following objective questions (**any ten**): 1×10=10

(i) A 14-line poem, typically Written in iambic pentameter, is a:
(a) Ballad (b) The Sonnet
(c) The Ode (d) The Lyric

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(ii) An illustrative narrative of travels is called:
(a) Biography
(b) Memoir
(c) Travelogue
(d) Periodical Essay

(iii) An autobiography is ..... (a self written life story/A life story written by another person)

(iv) A long narrative poem about a hero's journey is called a:
(a) lyric (b) elegy
(c) epic (d) ballad

(v) A play that focuses on serions themes and ends in a downfall for the protagonist is known as a:
(a) Comedy (b) Farce
(c) Tragedy (d) Melodrama

(vi) What term describes a play that uses exaggerated improbable situations for humour?
(a) Comedy
(b) Farce

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(c) Tragicomedy

(d) The problem play

(vii) What is the sequence of events in a story called?

(a) Plot

(b) Character

(c) Diction

(d) Thought

(viii) A novel that follows a protagonist from childhood to adulthood is called a:

(a) Epistolary

(b) Bildungsroman

(c) Picaresque novel

(d) Historical Novel

(ix) Science fiction is strictly imaginative It has no foundation in real science (true or false)

(x) Dream children is written by:

(a) Bacon

(b) Joseph Addison

(c) Lamb

(d) Samuel Johnson

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(xi) The king who falls in love with Shakuntala is....

(xii) Which character in Kanyadaan is the son of a Dalit activist who marries a Brahmin girl?

(a) Seva

(b) Jayaprakash

(c) Nath

(d) Arun Athawale

(xiii) Who is the author of the Untouchable

(a) Mulk Raj Anand

(b) Jane Austen

(c) R.K. Narayan

(xiv) Raju is the name of hero in The Guide. (True/False)

(xv) Where do the Bennets live. (London/ Kent/Hertbords hire)

2. Answer the following questions:(**Any five**) Short answer type. 4×5=20

(a) How does Shakespeare Compare the beauty of his friend to that of a summer's day?

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(b) Who is the speaker in "The Solitary Reaper"?

(c) What is the Central idea of the poem "Our Casuarina Tree".

(d) Describe in brief the types of books mentioned in Bacons essay" of Studies."

(e) Discuss in brief the Central thought of lamb in his essay "Dream Children."

(f) Write a note on A.P.J. Kalam's views in "Patriotism Beyond Politics & Religion.

(g) Discuss Amartya Sen's views in "Tagore & his India".

(h) What is the bond Shylock Creates with Antonio for the loan?

(i) Why does Kate deliberately "Stoop" to Conquer the affections of Marlow?

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(j) Why did Rishi Durvasa Curse Shakuntala?

(k) What is the Significance of the character Savitri in "Adhe-Adhure"?

(l) Why does Elizabeth Bennet form a negative first impression of Mr. Darcy?

(m) What does the term "Untouchable" refer to?

(n) Write a note on the Character of Raju in "The Guide".

Section-B

Note: Answer any **one** question from each unit: 10×4=40

Unit-I

3. What are the Main themes of the Sonnet " Shall I Compare thee to a Summer's Day?

4. Write Critical appreciation of the poem "The Solitary Reaper"?

5. Write summary of the Poem (**any one**).
   (i) Waiting
   (ii) The Autumn Song
   (iii) Our CaSurina Tree.

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Unit-II

6. Write a note on Bacon's Prose style with special reference to his essay "Of Studies".

7. Write a note on the Significance of the title "Dream Children" describing the theme in brief.

8. Write critical summary of (**any one**):

   (i) Sir Roger at Church.

   (ii) Patriotism Beyond Politics & Religion.

   (iii) Tagore & His India.

Unit-III

9. Discuss the main and the sub-plot in the Merchant of Venice.

10. Explain the meaning and significance of the title she stoops to Conquer.

11. What is the main theme of Abhigyan Shakuntalam?

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12. How does Kanyadaan reflect and reinforce patriarchal power dynamics in Indian Society?

OR

Discuss the theme of Adhe-Adhure.

Unit-IV

13. Examine the appropriateness of 'Pride and Prejudice' as the title of Jane Austin's novel.

14. What is the main theme of "Dr. Jekyll" and Mr. Hyde.

15. Write a note on the central theme & major characters of any **one** of the following:

   (i) The Untouchable

   (ii) The Guide

   (iii) Amritsar Aa Gaya

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