

2019

ENGLISH

[Honours]

PAPER —II

Full Marks : 90

Time : 4 hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks
Candidates are required to give their answers in their
own words as far as practicable*

GROUP — A

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10 × 1
 - (a) Who are 'University wits'? Make an evaluation of the achievements of any two of them.
 - (b) Discuss the influence of the Reformation on the literature of the age.

(Turn Over)

GROUP — B

2. Answer any *two* of the following questions : 15 × 2

- (a) Analyse the character of Lady Macbeth. Would you consider her as the 'Fourth witch' in the play ? Justify your answer.

Or

Write a brief note on Shakespeare's use of imagery in *Macbeth*.

- (b) Comment on Marlowe's portrayal of Younger Mortimer in *Edward - II*.

Or

Discuss, *Edward - II* as a historical tragedy.

- (c) Consider *Twelfth Night* as a Romantic Comedy.

Or

Discuss the role of Feste as a representative Shakespearean Fool in *Twelfth Night*.

3. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10 × 1

- (a) Would you regard Banquo as a foil to Macbeth ? Give reasons for your answer.
- (b) Comment briefly on the title and subtitle of the play *Twelfth Night*.
- (c) Bring out the dramatic significance of the Abdication scene in Marlowe's *Edward-II*.

4. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 5 × 1

- (a) What do the three witches prophesize in *Macbeth* ?
- (b) Discuss the importance of songs and music in *Twelfth Night*.
- (c) "The prince I rule, the queen do I command".— Who says this ? Who is the prince and who is the queen ? What is the context of this remark ?

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GROUP – C

5. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 15 × 1

- (a) Justify 'Loving in Truth' as an Elizabethan love sonnet.
- (b) Critically comment on Shakespeare's sonnet 130.
- (c) What is the relationship between God and Man in 'The Pulley' by George Herbert ? Elucidate.

6. Answer the following questions : 10 × 1

- (a) Describe Bacon's Vision about death in his essay 'of Death'.

Or

- (b) What , according to Bacon are the fruits of friendship ? Explain with reference to the essay 'Of Friendship'.

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7. Answer any *two* of the following questions : 5 × 2

- (a) 'Wayne Man, Sayd she' – who said this and to whom ? Why was he called the vain man ?
- (b) Comment on the concluding couplet of Shakespeare's sonnet no.18.
- (c) Why is the Sun called 'saucy Pedantic wretch' in Donne's 'The Sun Rising' ?
- (d) Why did the poet lover say that love's "baited hooks" would never entangle him ?
- (e) "Revenge triumphs over death; love slights it; honor aspireth to it; grief flieth to it; fear preoccupateth it." - Explain.
- (f) "..... it redoubleth joys and cutteth griefs in half". How does Bacon prove this ?