B.A/4th Sem (H)/ENGH/23(CBCS)

2023

4th Semester Examination ENGLISH (Honours)

Paper: C 8-T

(European Classical Literature)

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Full Marks: 60

Time: Three Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Group - A

Answer any ten questions:

2×10=20

- 1. Why did Apollo strike the Greek camp with plague in *Iliad* Book 1?
- 2. How did Agamemnon enrage Achilles?
- 3. Why did Achilles relent from attacking Agamemnon?
- 4. What favour did Achilles ask of his mother, Thetis?
- 5. How did the Sphinx pose a threat to the city of Thebes in *Oedipus the King*?
- 6. How did Oedipus become the king of Thebes?

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- 7. Why did Oedipus send for Tiresias?
- 8. When did Oedipus go to consult the Delphian Oracle?
- 9. Why did the household deity reveal the location of the pot of gold to Euclio?
- 10. Why did Euclio accept Megadorus's proposal to marry Phaedria?
- 11. Why did Euclio hide the pot of gold in the shrine of Fides?
- 12. Who stole the pot of gold and from which place was it stolen?
- 13. When was Actaeon killed by his dogs?
- 14. Why did Narcissus lament unrequited love?
- 15. How did Pyramus end his life?

Group - B

Answer any four questions:

5×4=20

- 16. Comment on the dialogue between Zeus and Hera concerning the Trojan War in *Iliad* Book I.
- 17. How does Sophocles use the metaphor of blindness in *Oedipus the King?*
- 18. Explain one example of dramatic irony in *Oedipus the King*.
- 19. Write a note on the moral of Plautus's Pot of Gold.

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20. Relate, after Ovid, how Tiresius's prophecy about Pentheus came true.

21. Briefly narrate the story of Narcissus as found in *Metamorphosis* Book III.

Group - C

Answer any two questions:

10×2=20

- 22. Consider the major features of an epic as found in Homer's *Iliad* Book I.
- 23. Sophocles's *Oedipus the King* is a play about destiny. Discuss.
- 24. Analyse Plautus's use of irony and humour in Pot of Gold.
- 25. Show how love, longing and frustration take centre stage in the stories of *Metamorphosis* Book IV.