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Subject: English

Paper: I (Classical Poetry)

NOTE: Attempt any FOUR questions including question No. 1 which is compulsory.

All questions carry equal marks.

- Q1. Explain with reference to the context any THREE of the following: (25)
 - a. And specially from every shires ende
 Of Engelond to Caunterbury they wende,
 The hooly blissful martir for to seke,
 That hem hath holpen whan they were seeke.
 - b. Where, like a pillow on a bed,
 A pregnant banke swell'd up, to rest
 The violet's relining head,
 Sat we two, one another's best.
 - c. Sudden, these honours shall be snatched away,
 And cursed forever this victorious day.
 For lo! the board with cups and spoons is crowned,
 The berries crackle, and the mill turns round.
 - d. What should I say!
 Since Faith is dead,
 And truth away
 From you is fled
 With doubleness?
 Nay! Nay! mistress.
 - e. Long after known in *Palestine*, and nam'd *Beelzebub*. To whom th' Arch-Enemy, And thence in Heav'n call'd Satan, with bold words Breaking the horrid silence thus began.

P.T.O.

- Q2. How far would you agree that Chaucer's characters are individuals and types simultaneously? Give examples from The Prologue to The Canterbury Tales. (25)
- Q3. How far would you agree that Milton was with the devil's party without knowing it? (25)
- Q4. How is Belinda representative of eighteenth-century elite society? What moral lesson do you draw from The Rape of the Lock? (25)
- Q5. What John Donne has tried to convey through his divine poetry? (25)
- Q6. Discuss the contribution of Surrey and Wyatt to English sonnet. (25)
- Q7. Critically examine the followings: (25)
 - a. Temptation Scene in Book 9 Paradise Lost.
 - b. Canto I in The Rape of the Lock.



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Paper: II (Drama)

Roll No.

Time: 3 Hrs. Marks: 100

NOTE: Attempt any FOUR questions including question No. 1 which is compulsory.

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Q.1. Explain the following with reference to the context any Three of the following stanzas. (25)

(a) For our city, as you yourself can see, is badly shaken—she cannot raise her head above the depths of so much surging death. Disease infects fruit blossoms in our land, disease infects our herds of grazing cattle, makes women in labour lose their children,

(b) I'll levy soldiers with the coin they bring,

And chase the Prince of Parma from our land

And reign sole king of all the provinces;

Yea, stranger engines for the brunt of war,

(C) But I beseech you If it be your pleasure and most wise consent

(As partly I find it is) that your daughter,

At this odd-even and dull watch o'the night

Transported with no worse or better guard,

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- (d) there's comfort in't Whiles other men have gates and those gates open'd, As mine, against their will. Should all despair That have revolted wives, the tenth of mankind Would hang themselves.
- (e) Oh! it is absurd to have a hard and fast rule about what one should read and what one shouldn't. More than half of modern culture depends on what one shouldn't read.
- Q.2. In Sophocles' hands European tragedy gains an artistic maturity to be followed as a tradition? What is your point of view? Analyze the play *Oedipus Rex* by referring to the statement.
- Q.3. In *Dr. Faustus* Marlowe exposes the darker side of Renaissance? Prove or refute the statement by referring to the text.
- Q.4. Othello is more of a victim of his racial inferiority than jealousy? Prove or refute the statement.
- Q.5. For the study of human nature, comedy is as profound as tragedy? Prove or refute the statement by referring to *The Winter's Tale*.
- Q.6. It is more of language and less of situation which creates humour in Oscar Wilde? Prove or refute the statement by referring to *The Importance of Being Earnest*.
- Q.7. Why is Oedipus Rex considered an ideal tragic hero? Discuss with reference to Aristotelian view of ideal tragic hero.

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Subject: English Paper: III (Novel)

Roll No.

Time: 3 Hrs. Marks: 100

NOTE: Attempt any FOUR questions. All questions carry equal marks.

- Q.1. Critically examine the nature of Love and Romance in Jane Austen's <u>Pride and Prejudice</u> highlighting its socio-economic implications.
- Q.2. "The concept of Hardy's fatalism expressed in <u>Return of the Native</u> is that human character and action are the result of the laws of heredity and environment over which man has no control." Discuss.
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- Q.3. Dicken's <u>Tale of Two Cities</u> is epic in historical scale, but also intimate showing how the personal and political intermingle. Comment.
- Q.4. Explore how Eliot's characterization in <u>Adam Bede</u> is a probing into the human psyche, its motivations, suffering and description of the underlying connections between the conscious and subconscious.
- Q.5. Analyze the theme of conflict in Trollope's <u>Barchester Towers</u> between forces wanting to maintain status quo, and those seeking change.

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Q.6.	Austen's Pride and Prejudice is a classic comedy of manners which satirizes 18th century		
	society, particularly the expectations from women. Explain.	25	•
Q.7.	Write critical notes on ANY TWO of the following:	25	
	i- Egdon Heath as a character in Return of the Native		
	ii- Role of Mr. Bennet in Pride and Prejudice.		
	iii- Trollope's Art of Characterization in Barchester Towers		
	iv- Metaphor and Symbolism in A Tale of Two Cities		



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Paper: IV (Prose)

Attempt any FOUR questions. All questions carry equal marks.

- Q.1. Francis Bacon made a significant contribution to human knowledge by insisting that the production of knowledge should be aimed at addressing the affairs of mundane human existence. Prove or refute the idea by referring to the essays in your syllabus.
- Q.2. Swift satirizes human history by declaring it a pack of lies. Discuss with reference to *The Gulliver's Travels*.
- Q.3. What ideas, according to Bertrand Russell, have harmed mankind?
- Q.4. What does Said mean by the phrase, "blocking the other's narratives"? Discuss by giving concrete examples from literary texts or human history.
- Q.5. Why have the theorists over centuries been defensive against Plato on the subject of poetry? What redressal power does Heaney find in poetry?
- Q.6. Critically evaluate the last section in *The Gulliver's Travels*.
- Q.7. Discuss the prose style of Bertrand Russell.



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Subject: English Paper: V (American Literature)

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Time: 3 Hrs. Marks: 100

NOTE: Attempt any FOUR questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Q.No.1 Write a detailed critical appreciation of John Ashbury's poem *Melodic Train*.

Q.No.2 Write a detailed note on *Mourning Becomes Electra* by O'Neil as a modern tragedy.

Q.No.3 The Crucible is a play about mass hysteria and collective psychosis. Discuss.

Q.No.4 Discuss the significance of the title in Morrison's Jazz as a narrative tool.

Q.No.5 Plath's *Ariel* is a poem about transformation and a woman's relation with nature. Comment.

Q.No.6 Discuss the significance of natural imagery in Richard Wilbur's poems.

Q.No.7 For Whom the Bell Tolls is a novel about the horrors of war but also about courage and self-sacrifice. Elucidate.