

WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY

B.A. Honours 4th Semester Examination, 2020

ENGACOR10T-ENGLISH (CC10)

19TH CENTURY BRITISH LITERATURE

Time Allotted: 2 Hours Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.

SECTION-I

1. Answer any *one* question from the following:

- $15 \times 1 = 15$
- (a) Consider 'Ulysses' as a representative Victorian poem **OR** Comment on the theme of 'The Lady of Shalott'.
- (b) Estimate the success of either 'My Last Duchess' **OR** 'The Last Ride Together' as a dramatic monologue.
- (c) Attempt a critical estimate of 'The Goblin Market'.
- (d) 'Dover Beach' is a poem on loss of faith. Comment.
- 2. Answer any *one* with reference to the context:

 $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (a) This is my son, mine own Telemachus,
 - To whom I leave the sceptre and the isle.
- (b) But in her web she still delights
 - To weave the mirror's magic sights.
- (c) What hand and brain went ever paired?
 - What heart alike conceived and dared?
- (d) This grew; I gave commands;
 - Then all smiles stopped together.
- (e) And we are here as on a darkling plain
 - Swept with confused alarms of struggle and flight,
 - Where ignorant armies clash by night.
- (f) Lizzie with an open heart,
 - Laura in an absent dream,
 - One content, one sick in part;

SECTION-II

3. (a) Justify the title of Austen's novel, *Pride and Prejudice*.

 $15 \times 1 = 15$

OR

(b) Critically examine the character of Elizabeth Bennet.

SECTION-III

4. Answer any *one* question from the following:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$

- (a) What are the modern elements in literature? Answer with close reference to Arnold's essay prescribed in your syllabus.
- (b) 'The Poet is a heroic figure belonging to all ages'. How does Carlyle justify his own statement upon discussing Shakespeare as Hero?
- (c) In his 'An Introduction to *On the Origin of Species*', how does Darwin trace the development of his thought? Answer with close reference to the excerpt in your syllabus.
- 5. Answer any *one* question from the following:

 $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (a) What, according to Arnold, does intellectual deliverance comprise?
- (b) What does Carlyle have to say about Shakespeare's "Portrait painting"?
- (c) What does Darwin try to establish with the examples of the woodpecker and the mistletoe?

N.B.: Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.

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