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Question Paper

B.A. Honours Examination 2022

(Under CBCS Pattern)
Semester - II

Subject: ENGLISH

Paper: C 3 - T

18th Century British Literature: Fiction and Non-fiction

Full Marks: 60 Time: 3 Hours

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Attempt any *five* out of the following questions:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) What accounts for Lady Wishfort's dislike of Mirabell?
- (b) Who reveals Mirabell's plot to Millamant and why?
- (c) Who are the Struldbruggs in Swift's Gulliver's Travels (Book 3)?
- (d) What is the peculiarity of the people in the island of Laputa?
- (e) Who was Sir Roger de Coverley?
- (f) What is 'communion table' in Addison's "Sir Roger at Church"?
- (g) Where was Shandy when the story began?
- (h) What does the word 'Gentleman' signify in the title of Sterne's novel?

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2. Answer any *four* of the following:

- $5 \times 4 = 20$
- (a) Comment on the significance of the epilogue to *The Way of the World*.
- (b) Comment on the gulling of Lady Wishfort.
- (c) What is the significance of Gulliver's visit to the Academy of Lagado in Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*? (Gulliver's Travels Book III)
- (d) How does Swift present the Yahoos in Gulliver's Travels (Book IV)?
- (e) What is the importance of Sunday as a holiday in Addison's 'Sir Roger at Church'?
- (f) Write a short note on Sterne's art of 'digressions' in *Tristram Shandy*.
- 3. Attempt any *three* out of the following questions:

 $10 \times 3 = 30$

- (a) Discuss how Congreve's *The Way of the World* ridicules the assumptions of the society of his times.
- (b) Comment on the significance of the love relationship between Mirabell and Millamant in *The Way of the World*.
- (c) 'The Fourth Book of *Gulliver's Travels* is an evidence of Swift's misanthropy.' Do you agree? Justify.
- (d) Bring out the salient features of Addison's prose style with reference to "Sir Roger at Church".
- (e) Consider Tristram Shandy as an early example of a psychological fiction.



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British Romantic Literature (1798-1832)

Full Marks: 60 Time: 3 Hours

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1. Attempt any five of the following:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) Why does Blake describe 'hand' and 'eye' as 'immoral' in his poem "The Tyger"?
- (b) What is the full title of the poem "Tintern Abbey"?
- (c) Who is the lamb in Blake's "The Lamb"?
- (d) In Coleridge's poem "Christabel, Part 1", what unnatural things happen when Christabel and Geraldine enter the castle?
- (e) Why does Ozymandias refer to himself as the "king of kings" in Shelley's poem "Ozymandias"?
- (f) What is meant by the phrase "blushful Hippocrene" in Keats's poem "Ode to a Nightingale"?

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- (g) How does Victor Frankenstein die in Mary Shelley's Frankenstein?
- (h) Who is Lady Catherine de Bourgh?

2. Attempt any *four* of the following:

 $5 \times 4 = 20$

- (a) Write a note on the pantheistic philosophy of Wordsworth as expressed in "Tintern Abbey".
- (b) Show how Geraldine is portrayed in the poem "Christabel, Part 1".
- (c) How does Shelley deal with the myth of Ozymandias in the poem "Ozymandias"?
- (d) Bring out the significance of the last stanza in "Ode to a Nightingale".
- (e) Briefly describe the use of epistolary form in Mary Shelley's Frankenstein.
- (f) Comment on the Lydia-Wickham episode in the novel Pride and Prejudice.

3. Attempt any *three* of the following:

 $10 \times 3 = 30$

- (a) Write an analysis of the imagery used by Blake in his poems "The Lamb" and "The Tyger".
- (b) "Nature never did betray the heart that loved her." Discuss the significance of the statement in the light of man-nature relation as represented in "Tintern Abbey".
- (c) How does Keats contrast the world of the nightingale and the human world in his poem "Ode to a Nightingale"?
- (d) Critically analyse Mary Shelley's Frankenstein as a science-fiction.
- (e) Discuss the significance of the title of Jane Austen's novel Pride and Prejudice.