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3 (Sem-1) ENG M 2

2023

ENGLISH

(Major)

Paper : 1-2

Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

***The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.***

1. Answer the following as directed : ***(any ten)***  
1×10=10
- (a) What is the weather condition that the month of March has been associated with in Chaucer's Prologue to *The Canterbury Tales* ?
  - (b) How many times has the Wife of Bath been to Jerusalem ?
  - (c) What does the song of the cuckoo in springtime warn people of ?
  - (d) From which anthology of sonnets has Spenser's *What Guyle is this* been extracted ?
  - (e) The Shakespearean Sonnet consists of three \_\_\_ and a couplet. *(Fill in the blank)*
  - (f) To whom does Dr. Faustus give his soul ?

Contd.

- (g) What is the Nationality of Othello in the play ?
- (h) In *Sweetest Love, I do not go*, what does Donne mean by 'feigned deaths' ?
- (i) How many lines are there in a Spenserian stanza ?
- (j) What was Everyman summoned for by God ?
- (k) Write the title of Mary Wroth's poem prescribed in your syllabus.

2. Answer briefly the following questions :  
2×5=10

- (a) How was the knight attired ?
- (b) What are the roles of Good Angel and Bad Angel in *Dr. Faustus* ?
- (c) What is a morality play ? Cite an example.
- (d) State briefly the central theme of Sonnet 30.
- (e) What happens to Iago and Cassio at the end of the play ?

3. Explain, with reference to the context, **any two** of the following :  
5×2=10

- (a) At nyght was come into that hostelrye  
Wel nyne and twenty in a campaignye,  
Of sondry folk, by aventure yfalle,  
In felawshipe, and pilgrimes were they alle,  
That toward Caunterbury wolden ryde.

- (b) O how shall summer's honey breath hold out  
Against the wrackful siege of batt'ring days,  
When rocks impregnable are not so stout,  
Nor gates of steel so strong, but time decays ?
- (c) When thou sigh'st, thou sigh'st not wind,  
But sigh'st my soul away;  
When thou weep'st, unkindly kind,  
My life's blood doth decay.

4. Answer **any two** of the following questions :  
10×2=20

- (a) Attempt a critical appreciation of either *Thou Hast Made Me* or *The Means to Attain a Happy Life*.
- (b) Comment on Chaucer's art of characterisation as revealed in the Prologue to *The Canterbury Tales*.
- (c) "Ideas of time, decay and death are central to Shakespearean Sonnets." Discuss with special reference to the sonnets you have read.

5. Explain, with reference to the context, **any two** of the following :  
5×2=10

- (a) Yet art thou still but Faustus, and a man.  
Couldst thou make men to live eternally,  
Or, being dead, raise them to life again,  
Then this profession were to be esteem'd.  
Physic, farewell!

(b) To God ? He loves thee not;  
The God thou serv'st in thine own appetite,  
Wherein is fix'd the love of Belzebub:  
To him I'll build an altar and a church,  
And offer lukewarm blood of new-born babes.

(c) Ah, Faustus,  
Now hast thou but one bare house to live,  
And then thou must be damn'd perpetually!

6. Answer **any two** of the following questions :  
10×2=20

(a) Write a note on the use of soliloquies in *Othello*.

Or

“Evil has nowhere been portrayed with such mastery as in the character of Iago.” Discuss.

(b) Write a note on the role of chorus in *Dr. Faustus*.

Or

“Dr. Faustus has a beginning and an end, but hardly any middle.” Discuss.

(c) Discuss *Everyman* as an allegory.

Or

Write a note on the themes dealt with in *Everyman*.

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