

## B.A. Part—III (Semester—V) Examination

## Optional Subject (Literature)

## ENGLISH LITERATURE

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

1. Attempt the following long answer questions (any **two**) :
  - (i) Write a note on 'Atmosphere of Tragedy and Comedy'.
  - (ii) Dramatic Irony
  - (iii) Shakespearean Tragedy
  - (iv) Plot and characterisation of Shakespeare's English Historical Plays. 16
2. (A) Attempt the following long answer questions (any **one**) :
  - (i) Critically appreciate the poem 'Ode On a Grecian Urn'.
  - (ii) Discuss the poem 'Kubla Khan' as a power of the human imagination.
  - (iii) How has Alexander been depicted and characterised in the poem 'Alexander's Feast' ? 8
 (B) Attempt the following passages for explanation with reference to context (any **two**) :
  - (i) And all who heard should see them there,  
And all should cry, Beware! Beware!  
His flashing eyes, his floating hair!
  - (ii) And voices in me said, If you were a man  
You would take a stick and break him now, and finish him off.
  - (iii) The ship is anchor'd safe and sound, its voyage closed and done,  
From fearful trip the victor ship comes in with object won
  - (iv) The master saw the madness rise,  
His glowing cheeks, his ardent eyes;  
And while he Heaven and Earth defied  
Changed his hand and check'd his pride. 8
3. (A) Write short notes on (any **two**) :
  - (i) Bathos
  - (ii) Angry Young Men
  - (iii) Negative Capability
  - (iv) Ballad. 8

(B) Write notes on (any **one**) :

- (i) Theory of the sublime.
- (ii) New Historicism.

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4. Attempt the following questions (any **two**) :

- (i) Examine 'Macbeth' as a typical Shakespearean Tragedy.
- (ii) Describe the banquet of hallucinations in Macbeth.
- (iii) Evaluate role and functions of Lady Macbeth.

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5. Choose the correct alternative from those given below :

(1) Why does the poet call the urn 'Sylvan historian' in 'Ode On a Grecian Urn' ?

- (a) because it depicts pastoral scenes
- (b) because it tells us stories of Greece
- (c) because it records the history of men
- (d) because it is made of wood and depicts historical scenes

(2) What does the poet ardently wish for in the poem 'Kubla Khan' ?

- (a) to remember a song
- (b) to build a dome in air
- (c) to unlock the potential of the imagination
- (d) to review the Abyssinian maid

(3) What attitude does the Speaker have towards his education in the poem 'Snake' ?

- (a) He disdains it
- (b) He glorifies it
- (c) He is apathetic about it
- (d) He is in two minds about it

(4) Who is the 'Captain' in the poem 'O Captain ! My Captain !' ?

- (a) Walt Whitman
- (b) George Washington
- (c) Abraham Lincoln
- (d) Benjamin Franklin

(5) The word 'ballad' is derived from the Latin 'ballare' which means \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) to dance
- (b) to sing
- (c) to cry
- (d) to speak

(6) Characters may be categorised as \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Single or double
- (b) Capable or incapable
- (c) Round and flat
- (d) General and special

- (7) The genteel comedy was a subgenre of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) Comedy of intrigue (b) Comedy of manners  
 (c) Sentimental comedy (d) Romantic comedy
- (8) Metatheatre is a term coined by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) Lionel Abel (b) Peter Schumann  
 (c) John Osborne (d) Oscar Wilde
- (9) Which among these is one of the five sources of the sublime ?  
 (a) Capacity for empathy (b) Appropriate use of metaphors  
 (c) Grandeur of thought (d) Harmony of structure
- (10) New Historicism was a reaction against \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) Marxist theory (b) Post-colonial theory  
 (c) Formalist theories (d) Post-structuralist theory
- (11) How did Raymond Williams refer to New Historicism ?  
 (a) Historical structuralism (b) Cultural radicalism  
 (c) Cultural materialism (d) Historical radicalism
- (12) Who redefined the word 'Subaltern' to signify representatives of an oppressed class ?  
 (a) Edward Said (b) Frantz Fanon  
 (c) Claude Levi-Strauss (d) Antonio Gramsci
- (13) Who was Banquo's son in Macbeth ?  
 (a) Malcolm (b) Duncan  
 (c) Macbeth (d) Fleance
- (14) Where does the first scene of Macbeth take place ?  
 (a) a desert place (b) a forest  
 (c) the castle (d) a dungeon
- (15) What is Macbeth's reward for defeating the rebels ?  
 (a) He becomes King of Scotland (b) He becomes the Thane of Cawdor  
 (c) He becomes a general (d) He becomes Earl of York
- (16) Who predicts that Macbeth will become King ?  
 (a) the three witches (b) Banquo  
 (c) Duncan (d) the Thane of Cawdor