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TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2023

ENGLISH

(5th Semester)

Course No. : ENGGE-501T

[British Literature—I (The Elizabeth Period to Eighteenth Century)]

Full Marks : 70 Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION-A

Answer *twenty* questions, selecting any *four* from each Unit : 1×20=20

Unit--I

- 1. Write the names of two English sonneteers from the Elizabethan period.
- 2. Write the names of any two Elizabethan comedies.

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- **3.** Who was the first Metaphysical poet in English literature?
- **4.** Name one English satirist from the eighteenth century.
- 5. Who wrote the novel, Robinson Crusoe?

UNIT—II

- 6. What is meant by 'sad mortality' in Shakespeare's Sonnet No. 65?
- 7. What does Shakespeare compare true love with in his Sonnet No. 116?
- 8. What does the 'ever fixed mark' symbolise in Sonnet No. 116?
- 9. What is meant by the term 'Amoretti'?
- **10.** How many poems are contained in Spenser's Sonnet sequence Amoretti?

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Unit—III

- **11.** Who is Shylock?
- **12.** What is the profession of Shylock?
- 13. Why did Bassanio approach Antonio?
- 14. What was the condition kept by Shylock in case Bassanio could not repay the loan?
- 15. In which disguise did Portia come to Venice?

UNIT---IV

- **16.** In the poem, A Valediction : Forbidding Mourning, what does the word 'valediction' mean?
- 17. What is the central theme of the poem, A Valediction: Forbidding Mourning?
- 18. In which year did Milton lose his eyesight?

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- **19.** What does the poet mean by 'Light' in the poem, On His Blindness?
- **20.** Who is the author of the poem, *The Rape of the Lock*?

Unit—V

- 21. Where was Robinson Crusoe born?
- 22. How many years did Crusoe spend on the Island?
- **23.** What is the name of the native prisoner whom Crusoe rescued from the cannibals?
- 24. Who was Xury?
- 25. Why did Crusoe want to go to Africa?

SECTION-B

Answer five questions, selecting one from each Unit : $2 \times 5 = 10$

Unit—I

- **26.** What do you mean by Shakespearean Sonnet and what are its features?
- 27. Define a metaphysical conceit.

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Unit—II

- **28.** "A mortal thing to immortalise"—what is meant by 'a mortal thing? Who wants to immortalise it?
- **29.** In Sonnet No. 65, why does the poet call rocks impregnable?

Unit—III

- **30.** Why does Portia dislike the Prince of Morocco?
- 31. Why does Jessica run away with Lorenzo?

Unit—IV

- **32.** What does Donne mean by sublunary lovers in the poem, A Valediction : Forbidding Mourning?
- **33.** How does Milton console himself at the end of the poem, On His Blindness?

UNIT----V

- **34.** How does Crusoe keep record of events in the Island?
- **35.** What is the 'middle station' of life that Crusoe's father recommends to Crusoe?

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SECTION-C

Answer *five* questions, selecting *one* from each Unit : 8×5=40

UNIT-I

- **36.** Discuss the main characteristic features of Metaphysical poetry.
- **37.** Critically elaborate on the rise of English satires in the eighteenth century.

Unit—II

- **38.** Attempt a critical appreciation of Spenser's *Amoretti No.* 75.
- **39.** Comment on the central idea contained in Shakespeare's Sonnet No. 65.

Unit—III

- **40.** Give a character sketch of Shylock from your reading of the play, *The Merchant of Venice*.
- **41.** Analyse the significance of the Casket episode in the play, *The Merchant of Venice*.

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UNIT-IV

42. Make a critical appreciation of the poem, A Valediction : Forbidding Mourning.

43. Critically discuss *The Rape of the Lock* (Canto I) as a mock-heroic poem.

UNIT-V

- **44.** Critically comment on the theme of the novel, *Robinson Crusoe.*
- **45.** Discuss the presence of religious elements in the novel, *Robinson Crusoe*.

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