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B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025.

First Semester

English – Core

INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE

(For those who joined in July 2023 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Who is the first sonneteer in English Literature?
(a) Thomas Moor (b) Shakespeare
(c) Thomas Wyatt (d) Milton
2. A melancholy poem which is written to mourn the death of someone, who is personal and close to the heart is _____.
(a) Ode (b) Elegy
(c) Sonnet (d) Epic

3. What season is mentioned in the poem "Ode to a Nightingale"?
(a) Summer (b) Winter
(c) Spring (d) Autumn
4. The owl is seen sitting on the _____.
(a) lemon tree top (b) ivy mantled top
(c) carob tree top (d) elm tree top
5. How does the narrator describe his behaviour inside the bank?
(a) Confident and self-assured
(b) Calm and collected
(c) Responsible and knowledgeable
(d) Irresponsible and idiotic
6. Where did Uncle Podger fall while he was leaning to measure the mark to hang the picture?
(a) He fell upon the bed
(b) He fell upon the piano
(c) He fell upon the nails
(d) He fell upon the hammer

7. Whom does Viola fall in love with?
- (a) Olivia (b) Sir Toby
(c) Orsino (d) Malvolio
8. Who informs Demetrius that Lysander and Hermia are planning to elope?
- (a) Helena (b) Flute
(c) Puck (d) Bottom
9. Mr. Darcy's best friend is _____.
- (a) Mr. Wickham (b) Mr. Bingley
(c) Mr. Collins (d) Mr. Bennet
10. How does Mr. Darcy offend Elizabeth at the first ball?
- (a) He slaps her
(b) He insults her father
(c) He dances with Jane too often
(d) He refuses to dance with her

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).
Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Discuss on the characteristics of Elegy with illustrations.
- Or
- (b) Describe the distinguishing features of the Ode.
12. (a) What is the significance of Thomas Gray's epitaph in "An Elegy Written in Country Churchyard"?
- Or
- (b) How does the poet describe the fading away of the 'plaintive anthem'?
13. (a) In "My Financial Career," why did Leacock go to the bank?
- Or
- (b) How did Uncle Podger get all the family members involved in order to fix the picture?

14. (a) Sketch the character of Orsino in *Twelfth Night*.

Or

- (b) Critically analyse the role of Puck in *A Mid Summer Night's Dream*.

15. (a) What is revealed about the characters after Elizabeth rejects Mr. Collins's proposal?

Or

- (b) How is the novel 'Pride and Prejudice' critique of the social norms of its time?

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).
Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Discuss the features of Shakespearean Sonnets.

Or

- (b) Trace the origin, characteristics and development of the short story.

17. (a) Identify how does Gray's "Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard" differ from other elegies.

Or

- (b) Write a critical Appreciation of the poem "Ode to a Nightingale".

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18. (a) Appraise the moral that Leacock conveys through "My Financial Career".

Or

- (b) What are Francis Bacon's views on studies in his essay "Of Studies"?

19. (a) Critically analyse the love triangle among the characters Viola, Orsino and Olivia in the play *Twelfth Night*.

Or

- (b) Critically analyse the character of Lysander in *A Mid Summer Night's Dream*.

20. (a) Write a note on Jane Austen's Characterization with reference to *Pride and Prejudice*.

Or

- (b) Discuss the theme of love and marriage in *Pride and Prejudice*.

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