

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)

BA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2018

(Second Semester)

Branch – ENGLISH

POETRY – II

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

PART - A

I **Choose the right answer:**

(10 x 1 = 10)

1. The sea referred to in the second stanza of the poem *Dover Beach* is ____ sea.
a) the Aegean b) the Ionian Sea c) the Mediterranean d) the Atlantic
2. The story of *My Last Duchess* is based on the life of the ____ Duke from the sixteenth century.
a) Spanish b) Greek c) Italian d) English
3. Hardy uses the image of ____ in his poem *Channel Firing*.
a) soaring falcon b) dying eagle c) drooling glebe cow e) sinking seagull
4. In the *Before the Beginning of Years*, the poet compares man's speech to ____.
a) Waterfalls b) Atlanta in Claydon c) the gushing water d) burning fire
5. Hopkins uses the Latin phrases which precedes the poem *Thou Art Indeed Just Lord* is taken from the bible, the version of ____.
a) the Vulgate by St. Jerome b) Tyndale's Translation
c) King James' Authorized bible d) Martin Luther's Translation
6. "Things fall apart" – This line of the poem *Second Coming* was later used by ____ as the title to his novel.
a) D.H.Lawrence b) Julian Barnes c) Chinua Achebe d) Wole Soyinka
7. Wilfred Owen addresses the sun as ____.
a) Kind fool b) Kind boyish c) Kind good d) Kind old
8. The speaker of the poem *Refugee Blues* is ____.
a) a German b) a Jew c) an American d) an African-American
9. "A body of England's, ____ English air,
Washed by the rivers, blest by suns of home." – Fill in the appropriate word.
a) Flourishing b) Shaping c) Richer dust d) Breathing
10. "And Paris slept on by Scamander side.: Scamander is the ____ god,
according to Greek mythology.
a) Ocean b) River c) Farm Land d) Mountain

PART - B

II **Annotate the following:**

(5 x 4 = 20)

- 1 a) "Once more the old mysterious glimmer steals
From the pure brows, and from thy shoulders pure,
And bosom beating with a heart renew'd.

OR

- b) "The dropping of the daylight in the West,
The bough of cherries some officious fool".

Cont ...

- 2 a) "The tangled bine-stems scored the sky
Like strings of broken lyres,
And all mankind that haunted night
Had sought their household fires".
OR
- b) "And the high gods took in hand
Fire, and the falling of tears,
And a measure of sliding sand
From under the feet of the years".
- 3 a) "Clung to the whistling mane of every wind.
But whether they swept, smoothly fleet,
The long savannahs of the blue".
OR
- b) "The darkness drops again; but now I know
That twenty centuries of stony sleep
Were vexed to nightmare by a rocking cradle".
- 4 a) "Our researchers into Public Opinion are content
That he held the proper opinions for the time of year".
OR
- b) "The allotment of death.
For the one path of my flight is direct
Through the bones of the living".
- 5 a) Through red death, and smoke,
And cries, and then by quieter ways he strode,
Till the still innermost chamber fronted him".
OR
- b) "If that is so, then I believe a little in Providence protecting the innocent.
But it sounds so amazingly like a slogan
A yell of triumph as you snatch my scalp".

PART - C

III Write essays of 300 words each: (5 x 9 = 45)

- 1 a) Analyze the mythical features of the poem *Tithonus*.
OR
- b) Discuss the central theme of *Dover Beach*.
- 2 a) Comment upon the views of Hardy on the destructive effects of war, as expressed in *Channel Firing*.
OR
- b) Enumerate the Pre-Raphaelite principles applied by the poet to *The Blessed Damozel*.
- 3 a) Critically evaluate the description of the bird Windhover by Hopkins.
OR
- b) Outline the character traits and the personality that Yeats wishes his daughter to possess in future.
- 4 a) Justify the title *Strange Meeting*.
OR
- b) Analyze the theme of "Identity and Community" in *Unknown Citizen*.
- 5 a) Expound the symbol of Industrial Civilization that Stephen Spender glorifies in his poem