

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)

BA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2017  
(Second Semester)

Branch - ENGLISH

HISTORY OF ENGLISH LITERATURE

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

PART- A

- I Fill in the blanks with suitable answers: (5 x 1 = 5)
1. Sir Thomas More's *Utopia* is a study of \_\_\_\_\_ . I'
  2. *The Alchemist* was written by \_\_\_\_\_ . i
  3. *The Rape of the Lock* is the master piece of \_\_\_\_\_ .
  4. \_\_\_\_\_ is the chief force behind the Oxford movement.
- N 5. The contribution of I.A. Richards to criticism was \_\_\_\_\_ 1 ■■
- II State whether the following statements are true or false: (5 x 1 = 5)
1. Marlowe's heroes reflect the spirit of the Renaissance.
  2. John Donne is much known for his divine poems.
  3. *The Lyrical Ballads* was published in the year 1798.
  4. Browning's characteristic art form was dramatic monologue.
  5. Virginia Woolf was one of the most forceful and original theorists of "the stream of consciousness" novel.
- III Choose the best answer: (5 x 1 = 5)
1. The Authorized version of the Bible is the greatest of all \_\_\_\_\_ translations.  
a) French b) Latin c) English
  2. Ben Jonson was the real founder of \_\_\_\_\_ .  
a) blank verse b) comedy of humours c) sentimental novel
  3. *Gulliver's travels* is \_\_\_\_\_ .  
a) a bitter satire on mankind b) a romantic novel c) a historical novel
  4. *Unto this last* is a famous book by \_\_\_\_\_ .  
a) Ruskin b) Carlyle c) Bacon
  5. The novel *Ulysses* is the finest example of the technique \_\_\_\_\_ .  
a) stream of consciousness b) symbolism c) impressionism
- IV Answer in following in a sentence or Two: (10 x 1 = 10)
1. Why were the 'University Wits' called so?
  2. Which is the noblest wedding hymn of Spenser?
  3. Who was acknowledged as the father of English criticism?
  4. What type of poetry is Milton's *Lycidas*?
  5. Who called the "Augustan Age" as "the Age of prose and Reason"?

6. Whose works were published 30 years after his death?
7. What is Oxford Movement? Why is it called so?
8. Name any two novels of George Eliot.
9. Name any two feminist critics of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.
10. What is the central theme of *'Easter 1916'*

SECTION-B

II Answer all the questions in about 500 words: ( 5 x 10 = 50)

- 1 a) Trace out the general characteristics of Chaucer's poetry.  
OR  
b) Define a Sonnet. Explain its origin and development.
- 2 a) Analyse Ben Jonson's Comedy of Humours.  
OR  
b) Consider Dryden as a satirist.
- 3 a) Trace out the origin of Periodical essays.  
OR  
b) Explain the idea of poetry according to Wordsworth with reference to his *Preface to Lyrical Ballads*.
- 4 a) Explain how Darwin's evolution of species theory affected the English literature during Victorian age.  
OR  
b) Estimate Charles Dickens as a social reformer.
- 5 a) Explicate the salient features of stream of consciousness novel.  
OR  
b) "G. M. Hopkins is the forerunner of modern English poetry" - Justify.

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