

**PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE**  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
**BA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2025**  
(First Semester)

Branch - ENGLISH

**SOCIAL HISTORY OF ENGLAND**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

**SECTION-A (10 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(10 × 1 = 10)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	1	What was a significant social characteristic of the Elizabethan era (1558-1603)? a) Widespread education for the lower classes b) Increased social mobility for women c) A rigid class system with limited social mobility d) Complete religious tolerance	K1	CO2
	2	Which social class comprised the majority of the English population during the Elizabethan era? a) Nobility b) Gentry c) Middle class d) Commoners	K1	CO2
2	3	Which event marked the beginning of the Restoration period in England? a) Execution of Charles I b) Restoration of Charles II c) English Civil War d) Glorious Revolution	K1	CO2
	4	What was the primary goal of the Puritans in England during the 17th century? a) To restore the Catholic Church b) To establish a republican government c) To purify the Church of England d) To promote religious tolerance	K1	CO2
3	5	Who was a prominent social reformer of the Romantic Age? a) William Wilberforce b) Mary Wollstonecraft c) Lord Byron d) Robert Owen	K1	CO2
	6	What was a significant social consequence of the Industrial Revolution during the Romantic Age? a) Increased urbanization and poverty b) Improved working conditions c) Reduced child labor d) Increased social mobility	K1	CO1
4	7	What was a significant social consequence of the Victorian era's rapid urbanization? a) Improved living conditions b) Reduced poverty c) Overcrowding and sanitation issues d) Increased social mobility	K1	CO1
	8	_____ industry improved transportation and contributed to urbanization, economic growth in England during the 19 <sup>th</sup> century. a) Postal b) Science and Technology c) Railway d) Education	K1	CO1
5	9	Which social reform was introduced in England in 1948? a) National Health Service (NHS) b) Welfare State c) Free Education Act d) All of the above	K1	CO2
	10	What was a significant social consequence of World War I in England? a) Increased women's participation in the workforce b) Reduced social class divisions c) Improved housing conditions d) Decreased immigration	K1	CO1

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**SECTION - B (35 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 × 7 = 35)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	11.a.	Trace the key characteristics of the Renaissance, and how did it influence Europe?	K3	CO2
		(OR)		
	11.b.	Identify the main causes of the Hundred Years' War, and how did it impact England and France?		
2	12.a.	Analyze how the Restoration of the English monarchy in 1660 influenced political, cultural, and social life in England.	K4	CO3
		(OR)		
	12.b.	Examine coffee house life in England during the Puritan and Restoration periods.		
3	13.a.	Discuss the War of American Independence.	K4	CO4
		(OR)		
	13.b.	Trace the Industrial Revolution of Romantic Period.		
4	14.a.	Evaluate the key advancements in science and technology during the Victorian period, and how did they impact society and industry?	K5	CO4
		(OR)		
	14.b.	Comment on the main social criticisms of the Victorian Age regarding class inequality, the treatment of women, and the hypocrisy of societal values.		
5	15.a.	Analyze how advancements in transport and communication during the 20th century shaped social dynamics and everyday life in England.	K6	CO5
		(OR)		
	15.b.	Evaluate the impact of the English welfare state system on social and economic well-being in England since its development in the early 20th century.		

**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(3 × 10 = 30)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	16	Justify why the age of Queen Elizabeth I is considered the Golden Age of England, citing key cultural, political, and economic factors that contributed to this characterization.	K5	CO2
2	17	Analyze the major changes that occurred during the Restoration of the Stuart monarchy in England, and evaluate their significance in shaping the subsequent Enlightenment era.	K4	CO3
3	18	Examine the key characteristics of the Romantic Age in England and discuss how they influenced social history and cultural developments during that period.	K4	CO4
4	19	Estimate the progress and importance of educational advancement during the Victorian Era.	K5	CO4
5	20	Elaborate the major events and social changes in England during the 20th century, and assess how these developments shaped the nation's identity and influenced its trajectory in subsequent decades.	K6	CO5