

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)

MA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2024
(First Semester)

Branch – ENGLISH

BRITISH LITERATURE – I

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

SECTION-A (10 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(10 × 1 = 10)

- 1 How many pilgrims in the “Prologue to the Canterbury Tales” represent the military profession?
a.1 b.2 c.3 d.4
- 2 “To His Coy Mistress” is a -----poem.
a. love b. work c. respect d. dishonour
- 3 The presence of the poor relation is -----to other in the house.
a. welcomed b. unwelcomed
c. embracing d. pathetic
- 4 In “Of Love” Francis Bacon primarily focuses on -----and its adverse effects.
a. courtly lovers b. impatient lovers
c. military lovers d. amorous love
- 5 The play “She stoops to conquer” centers around the desire of -----.
a. Hardcastle b. Kate c. Tony d. Marlow
- 6 Why Faustus is interested in black magic?
a.to become supreme power b. Magician
c. Doctor d. Devil
- 7 Who is a sweet-tempered parish priest in his mid-fifties?
a. John Thornton b. Mr. Richard Hale
c. Nicholas Higgins d. Frederick Hale
- 8 Who is the retired officer and friend of Sir John Middleton?
a. Colonel Brandon b. Elinor Dashwood
c. Henry Dashwood d. John Dashwood
- 9 Who is the poet: “there is nothing fairer in all the world”?
a. Milton b. Wordsworth c. Keats d. Blake
- 10 The ending of the “A Cradle Song” fourth stanza is perhaps the strongest example of the mother’s -----.
a. fear b. expectation c. imagination d. recollection

SECTION - B (35 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 7= 35)

- 11.a. Annotate the following:
And though it in the center sit,
Yet when the other far doth roam,
It leans and hearkens after it,
And grows erect, as that comes home.
(OR)
- 11.b. Annotate the following:
whiles she as steele and flint doth still remayne.

Cont...

- 12.a. Annotate the following:

I was yesterday very much surprised to hear my old friend, in the midst of the service, calling out to one John Matthews to mind what he was about, and not disturb the congregation. This John Matthews, it seems, is remarkable for being an idle fellow, and at that time was kicking his heels for his diversion.

(OR)

- 12.b. Annotate the following:

"There is a worse evil under the Sun and that is a female poor relation."

- 13.a. Annotate the following:

Till swoln with cunning of a self-conceit.
His waxen wings did mount above his reach,
And, melting, heavens conspir'd his overthrow;
For, falling to a devlish exercise.

(OR)

- 13.b. Annotate the following:

"Ha, ha, ha, I understand; you took them in a round, while they supposed themselves going forward. And so you have at last brought them home again."

- 14.a. Annotate the following:

At Darien, thence to the Land where flows
Ganges and Indus: thus the Orb he roam'd
With narrow search; and with inspection deep
Consider'd every Creature, which of all
Most opportune might serve his Wiles, and found
The Serpent subtlest Beast of all the Field.

(OR)

- 14.b. Annotate the following:

Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness,
Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun;
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With fruit the vines that round the thatch-eves run;

- 15.a. Narrate the characteristic qualities of Margaret Hale in "North and South" by Elizabeth Gaskell

(OR)

- 15.b. Analyse the character of Marianne Dashwood in Jane Austin's "Sense and Sensibility".

SECTION -C (30 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(3 x 10= 30)

- 16 Write an essay on theme of the poem "To His Coy Mistress".
- 17 Survey the theme presented in the essay "Of Love".
- 18 Bring out the satirical elements portrayed in "She Stoops to Conquer".
- 19 Discuss the aspect of women and femininity portrayed in Jane Austin's "Sense and Sensibility".
- 20 Elucidate: "Cradle Song" is often praised as a perfect balance between thought and emotion.