

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)
MA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2023
(Fourth Semester)

Branch – ENGLISH

APPROACHES TO SHAKESPEARE

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 50 Marks

SECTION-A (5 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(5 x 1 = 5)

- 1 Who is the most powerful official of the law in England?
(i) The Lord Chief Justice (ii) Prince John
(iii) Prince Hal (iv) King Henry IV
- 2 The play "Hamlet" ends with a -----, during which the King, Queen, Hamlet's opponent and Hamlet himself are all killed.
(i) War (ii) duel
(iii) fire (iv) Bomb blast
- 3 Who is the daughter of Duke Senior?
(i) Celia (ii) Rosalind
(iii) Ganymede (iv) Olivia
- 4 Who is Cleopatra?
(i) The queen of Nile (ii) The queen of Ireland
(iii) The queen of Egypt (iv) The queen of Welsh
- 5 Characters like Romeo, Hamlet, or Lady Macbeth have become ----- types, instantly recognizable when their names are invoked.
(i) extreme (ii) lovable
(iii) good (iv) indecisive

SECTION - B (15 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 3 = 15)

- 6 a Narrate the end of "Henry IV – Part II" and its traditional approach.
OR
b Explain the theme of the legitimacy of rulership presented in "Henry IV Part II".
- 7 a Classify the problem of delay in "Hamlet".
OR
b Outline the problem of Hamlet's madness.
- 8 a Examine the philosophy of life given by Touchstone in "As You Like It".
OR
b Inspect Celia's advice and suggestions to Rosalind in "As You Like It".
- 9 a Outline: Cleopatra and Octavia represent rival civilizations.
OR
b Show the structure of the play Antony and Cleopatra and its feminist approach.
- 10 a Analyze the definition of Honor portrayed by Shakespeare in "Antony and Cleopatra".
OR
b Survey the famous soliloquies in Shakespearian literature.

Cont...

SECTION -C (30 Marks)

Answer **ALL** questions

ALL questions carry **EQUAL** Marks (5 x 6 = 30)

- 11 a Explain the theme of the nature of honor presented in "Henry IV Part II".
OR
b Sketch the role played by King Henry IV in "Henry IV Part II".
- 12 a Analyse the combination of the behavioural pattern of Hamlet's Psycho Analytical Solution.
OR
b Elaborate 'Hamlet and his psychological problems'.
- 13 a Elucidate: Rosalind's behaviour suggests society makes different demands of men and women.
OR
b Infer an account on compare and contrast of Rosalind and Celia in "As You Like It".
- 14 a Explain the character sketch of Mark Antony with some suitable quotes from the text.
OR
b Summarize the theme of importance of loyalty in "Antony and Cleopatra".
- 15 a Survey the famous women characters in Shakespearian literature.
OR
b Identify the importance of Hamlet's Soliloquies in Shakespeare's "Hamlet".

Z-Z-Z

END