

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)

MA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2018
(First Semester)

Branch - ENGLISH

BRITISH LITERATURE -1

Time : Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

PART-A (30 Marks!)

I Annotate the following Passages

(5 x 6 = 30)

- 1 a In Southwerk at the Tabard as I lay
Redy to wenden on my pilgrimage
To Caunterbury with fill devout corage.
At night was come in-to that hostelrye
Wei nyne and twenty in a comapignye.
Of sondry folk, by aventure y - falle

OR

- b A KNIGITT there was, and that a worthy man,
That fro the tyme that he first bigan
To ryden out, he loved chivalrye,
Trouthe and honour, freedom and curteisye.
Ful worthy was he in his lordes werre
And thereto hadde he ridden (no man ferre)
As wel in cristendom as hethenesse,
And evere honoured for his wOrthincsse.

- 2 a If they be two, they are two so
As stiff twin compasses are two;
Thy soul, the fixed foot, makes no show
To move, nut doth, if the other do.

OR

- b Time's winged chariot hurrying near;
And yonder all before us lie
Deserts of vast eternity.
Thy beauty shall no more be found;
Nor, in thy marble vault, shall sound
My echoing song; then worms shall try
That long-preserved virginity,

- 3 a A man that studieth revenge keeps his own wounds green.

OR

- b Prosperity is the blessing of the Old Testament; adversity is the blessing
of the New.

Cont.,,,

- 4 a Was this the face that launch'd a thousand ships.
And burnt the topless towers of Ilium—
Sweet Helen, make me immortal with a kiss.—
'[kisses her]'
Her lips, suck forth my soul : see, where it lies!—
Come, Helen, come, give me my soul again

OR

- b Philosophy is odious and obscure;
Both law and physic are for petty wits.;
Divinity is basest of the three,
Unpleasant, harsh, contemptible, and vile.
Tis magic, magic that hath ravished me.

- 5 a But for this time it illordained was,
To chose the longest day in all the yeare,
And shorteset night, when longest litter weare:
Yet neuer day so long, but late would passe

OR

- b So Orpheus did for his owne bride :
So I unto my selfe alone will sing :
The woods shall to me answer, and my echo ring

PART-B (45Marks)

II Answer the following questions :

(5 x9 45)

- 6 a Chaucer portrayed the society through his characterization - Elucidate.
OR
b Discuss Sir Thomas Wyatt as a sonneteer with reference to his sonnets.
- 7 a Discuss the metaphysical conceit in John Donne's poem.
OR
b Discuss the adversity of Job.
- 8 a Comment critically on the essay 'Of Revenge'.
OR
b Summarize 'Of Ambition'.
- 9 a Marlowe plays have a glorious beginning and have glorious ending
Comment.
OR
b Discuss the Duchess of Malfi as a tragedy.
- 10 a Discuss Spenser's Epithalamion and Prothalamion as twin songs.
OR
b Discuss Pilgrim's progress on an allegory.