

3 (Sem-2/CBCS) ENG HC 2

2022

ENGLISH

Paper: ENG-HC-2026

(British Poetry and Drama : 14th to 17th Centuries)

(Honours Core)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer any ten of the following questions:

 $1 \times 10 = 10$

- (a) What is the name of the fifth husband of Wife of Bath?
- (b) When did Wife of Bath's fourth husband pass away?
- (c) Name any one place of pilgrimage that Wife of Bath has been mentioned to have visited other than Canterbury.
- (d) When was Spenser's Amoretti published?
- (e) Whom does the poet forbid from mourning in Donne's A Valediction: Forbidding Mourning?
- (f) Who appears in front of Doctor Faustus in the guise of a Franciscan friar?

- (g) Why does Faustus choose Necromancy as the subject of his study?
- (h) How does Faustus sign his pact with Lucifer?
- (i) Who is the first of the seven deadly sins to appear before Faustus?
- (j) Who discovers Duncan's body?
- (k) Who has been mentioned as goddess of witchcraft in *Macbeth*?
- (l) Where do the Scottish kings get crowned in *Macbeth*?
- (m) Who saves Viola from the wreck in Twelfth Night?
- (n) How are Sir Toby and Olivia related?
- (o) Why does Feste call Olivia a fool?
- 2. Answer any five of the following questions:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) What kind of husbands does Wife of Bath like?
- (b) What is the source of Wife of Bath's fortune?
- (c) Why does the speaker call the sun 'a busy old fool' in The Sunne Rising?
- (d) Who is Beelzebub in Doctor Faustus?
- (e) What does the Horse-Courser do in Doctor Faustus and what does Faustus do to him?

- (f) What is Lady Macbeth's role in the murder of Duncan?
- (g) Why has it been said in *Macbeth* that the 'Birnam Wood' moved though woods are immovable?
- (h) What is the cause of Orsino's sadness in Act I of Twelfth Night?
- 3. Write short notes on any four of the following: $5\times4=20$
 - (a) The 'bad husbands' of Wife of Bath
 - (b) Donne's poetic concerns in Batter my Heart
 - (c) Metaphysical conceit
 - (d) Role of scholars in Doctor Faustus
 - (e) Wagner
 - (f) Significance of the witches in Macbeth
 - (g) Banquet scene
 - (h) Appropriateness of the title, Twelfth
 Night
- **4.** Answer any *four* of the following questions: $10\times4=40$
 - '(a) Discuss the nature of relationship that Wife of Bath had with her 'good husbands'.

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Do you think that Wife of Bath is a woman ahead of her times in terms of her thoughts and actions? Give a reasoned answer.

- (c) Write an analytical note on the poetic theme(s) present in the prescribed sections of Spenser's *Amoretti*.
- (d) Attempt a critical appreciation of John Donne's *The Sunne Rising*.
- (e) Assess John Donne as a metaphysical poet with reference to the poems prescribed in your syllabus.
- (f) What is a morality play? Do you think that *Doctor Faustus* is a morality play? Elaborate.
- (g) Do you believe that Macbeth is weak for the role that he choses to play? Give your views on it.
- (h) Discuss the nature of Macbeth-Banquo relationship and its significance in Macbeth.
- (i) Write a detailed note on the theme of disguise and mistaken identity in Shakespeare's Twelfth Night.
- (j) "A loveable rogue.

 A selfish hypocrite."

Analyze the character of Sir Toby on the basis of the above statement.