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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION —
JUNE, 2018.

Third Year

English

VICTORIAN AGE

Time : 3 hours

Maximum marks : 75

1. Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 50 words : (3 × 5 = 15)
 - (a) What is the strong desire in the mind of Ulysses?
 - (b) What is the significance of the Duke's visitor in the poem "My Last Duchess"?
 - (c) What does the poet mean by eternal note of silence in the poem Dover Beach?
 - (d) Is the poem The Blessed Damozel a hopeful or hopeless one? Give your answer.
 - (e) What is the myth in the play Pygmalion?
 - (f) How does Ruskin view "Advancement in life"?

2. Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 200 words : (3 × 10 = 30)
- (a) Explain the theme of morality in Tess of the D'Ubervilles.
 - (b) Is Hard Times a realist novel? Justify your answer.
 - (c) What attitudes toward marriage do Wilde's characters explore?
 - (d) Why does Carlyle place the hero as divinity first in his sequence, rather than begin with, say, the hero as prophet or King?
 - (e) Bring out the characteristic features of Victorian Age.
 - (f) What makes The Woman in White a detective novel?
3. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 250 words : (2 × 15 = 30)
- (a) What is the dramatic importance of phonetics in all of the acts?
 - (b) Bring out the characteristic features of Pre-Raphaelite as reflected in the poem "The Blessed Damozel".
 - (c) Hard Times is a novel about the social condition of poverty. Discuss it.
 - (d) How does Robert Browning reveal character in "My Last Duchess"?

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MODERN ENGLISH LITERATURE

Time : 3 hours

Maximum marks : 75

- I. Answer any **THREE** of the following questions in about 50 words : (3 × 5 = 15)
1. What is the background of the poem “Journey of the Magi”?
 2. Is the poem “The Unknown Citizen” a criticism of American Life in particular?
 3. Can you relate to the kinds of things Yeats is talking about “Easter, 1916”?
 4. Is the poem “The Soldier” a pro-war or anti-war?
 5. Do you think speaker number two in the poem “Strange Meeting” has forgiven speaker number one for killing him?
 6. What is the essence of “Work and Leisure”?

- II. Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 200 words : $(3 \times 10 = 30)$
7. Explain the significance of the title "Waiting for Godot".
 8. What does Jimmy and Alison's playful game of bear and squirrel represent?
 9. Describe Teddy Henfrey's first impression of the Invisible Man.
 10. What are the religious problems conveyed in The Heart of Matter?
 11. Give instances of Oriental womanhood as shown in the novel A passage to India.
 12. Discuss important characteristic features of the Modern Age.
- III. Answer any TWO of the following in about 250 words : $(2 \times 15 = 30)$
13. Is "The Journey of the Magi" a Christian poem only, or is it relevant to people of other faiths? Explain your answer.
 14. Discuss how Yeats presents contemporary Ireland in "Easter 1916".
 15. Bring out the relationship between Pozzo and Lucky.
 16. How is the theme of the play "Cook back in Anger" relevant to the present times as well?

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First Year

English

AMERICAN LITERATURE

Time : 3 hours

Maximum marks : 75

1. Answer any **THREE** of the following in about 50 words each : (3 × 5 = 15)
 - (a) What does Sergeant Malcolm inform the family about Emma?
 - (b) What is the keynote of the poem 'I felt a funeral in my brain'?
 - (c) What is the influence of the voices on Yank?
 - (d) Why does Blanche avoid strong light?
 - (e) What factors led to Quentin's suicide?

2. Answer any THREE of the following in about 150 words each : (3 × 10 = 30)
- (a) Discuss the recurrent themes that occur in Emily Dickinson's poems, with reference to the poems prescribed.
 - (b) How does 'Brahma' reflect Emerson's interest in Oriental philosophy and the sacred Hindu scriptures?
 - (c) Examine 'Red Wheel Barrow' as a poem of the Modernist Movement.
 - (d) Why does Injun Joe want to revenge Dr. Robinson?
 - (e) Compare and contrast Blanche and Stella.
 - (f) Examine Benjy as a Christ figure and Jason as Satanic in 'The Sound and Fury'.
3. Answer any TWO of the following in about 200 words each : (2 × 15 = 30)
- (a) Critically analyse the elements that went into the making of 'The Raven' as one of the finest compositions of Edgar Allen Poe.
 - (b) Discuss Frost as a nature poet illustrating with the poem 'After Apple Picking'.
 - (c) Discuss Tom Sawyer as one of the most endearing and lovable characters in fiction.
 - (d) Examine 'The Curse of the Starving Class' as a realistic and naturalistic work.

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First Year

English

**INTRODUCTION TO LITERARY CRITICISM AND
THEORIES**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum marks : 75

- I. Answer any THREE of the following in about 50 words each. (3 × 5 = 15)
1. What is Shakespeare's major defect according to Dr. Johnson?
 2. What does 'Signifier' and the Signified' denote in Structuralism?
 3. Sidney's 'Apologie for Poetry' was a reaction against which writer and text?
 4. Define Feminism. How is it different from Gender Studies?

5. What is Aristotle's concept of imitation?
 6. What are the main tenets of Marxist Criticism?
- II. Answer any THREE of the following in about 150 words each. (3 × 10 = 30)
7. Discuss Sidney's views on the definition, nature and function of poetry.
 8. What are the aspects of New Historicism?
 9. How does Eliot' critique the Metaphysical poets?
 10. Discuss Gerard Genette and Culler's contribution to Structuralism.
 11. Elucidate Gayatri Spivak contribution towards Post-Colonial theory of criticism.
 12. Why does Showalter call Feminist criticism Gynocentric criticism?
- III. Answer any TWO of the following in about 200 words each. (2 × 15 = 30)
13. Consider The Poetics' as an original statement of the classical view of artistic criticism.
 14. Elaborate on the objectives of Feminist Criticism.

15. Discuss the strengths and limitations of deconstruction as a method of critical inquiry.
 16. Write an essay on Dr. Johnson's defense of Shakespeare's treatment of the tragic and Comic elements in his plays.
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English

**INTRODUCTION TO LANGUAGE AND
LINGUISTICS**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum marks : 75

- I. Answer any THREE of the following in about 50 words each: (3 × 5 = 15)
- (a) What is rhythm in speech?
 - (b) Explain 'Syntax'.
 - (c) How was Slang accepted into literary vocabulary?
 - (d) What is East-Midland dialect as Standard dialect?
 - (e) What was Tyndale's contribution towards English language?
 - (f) Which are the foreign languages which have influenced English language.

- II. Answer any THREE of the following in about 150 words each: (3 × 10 = 30)
- (a) Differentiate between free and bound morphemes.
 - (b) What are the features of Germanic family of languages?
 - (c) Write a note on the evolution of Standard English.
 - (d) Explain Syntactical structures.
 - (e) Explain Gradation and I-mutation.
 - (f) Describe the Diphthongs of English.
- III. Answer any TWO of the following in about 200 words each: (2 × 15 = 30)
- (a) Write an essay on the differences between Spoken and Written forms of language.
 - (b) Describe the Varieties of Language.
 - (c) Write an essay on some of the methods by which English words have changed their meaning.
 - (d) Transcribe the following sentences:
 - (i) I am fine, Thank you.
 - (ii) When will you return from Delhi?
 - (iii) Oh! What a beastly day.
 - (iv) Congratulations! Hard work's always rewarded.
 - (v) We will be going for a movie next week.