

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b)
Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Bring out the significance of Beowulf as the greatest epic.
Or
(b) Write a detailed essay on Northumbrian literature.
17. (a) Record your understanding of the Literature of the Norman period.
Or
(b) Write a detailed essay on Geoffrey Chaucer.
18. (a) Discuss in detail the life and works of Shakespeare.
Or
(b) Elaborate on the development of drama.
19. (a) Bring out the prose writers of the Puritan Period.
Or
(b) Write about John Dryden.
20. (a) List out the literary characteristics of the Romantic age.
Or
(b) G B Shaw as a modern dramatist - Elucidate.

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Second Semester

English – Core

HISTORY OF ENGLISH LITERATURE

(For those who joined in July 2021 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Who is the father of our English Learning?
(a) Cademon (b) Venerable Bede
(c) Cynewulf (d) Chaucer
2. Name the king of Danes in the epic Beowulf
(a) Grendel (b) Heorat
(c) Hrothgar (d) Beowulf
3. Battle of Hastings took place in the year
(a) 1066 (b) 1077
(c) 1055 (d) 1088



4. Piers Plowman was written by _____
 (a) William Langland
 (b) Geoffrey Chaucer
 (c) John Mandeville
 (d) John Wycliffe
5. Tottel's Miscellany came out in the year _____
 (a) 1447 (b) 1557
 (c) 1667 (d) 1777
6. James I ascended the throne in the year _____
 (a) 1603 (b) 1605
 (c) 1625 (d) 1604
7. Stamp Act was put forth in the year
 (a) 1735 (b) 1745
 (c) 1755 (d) 1765
8. "The Desserted Village" was written by
 (a) Shakespeare (b) Ben Jonson
 (c) Samuel Johnson (d) Oliver Goldsmith
9. Battle of Waterloo took place in the year
 (a) 1715 (b) 1815
 (c) 1615 (d) 1915
10. 'I am a typical Irishman. My family came from Yorkshire.' These lines were said by
 (a) AE Housman
 (b) GB Shaw
 (c) William Butler Yeats
 (d) Alfred Notes

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PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).
 Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Narrate the story of Beowulf.
 Or
 (b) Write a short note on the Anglo-Saxons.
12. (a) Write a short note on the Prologue to Canterbury Tales.
 Or
 (b) Write a short note on the writers of the age of Chaucer.
13. (a) Bring out the characteristics of Elizabethan age.
 Or
 (b) Write a short note on Ben Jonson.
14. (a) Discuss briefly on the Puritan movement.
 Or
 (b) Comment on the greatness of Milton's *Paradise Lost*.
15. (a) Write a short note on the works of Alfred Tennyson.
 Or
 (b) Comment on the Celtic Revival.

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