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B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2023

Sixth Semester

English – Core

SHAKESPEARE

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours   Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Shakespeare's Sonnets were first published in the year —————.
   (a) 1690   (b) 1609
   (c) 1790   (d) 1709

2. The poet curses ————— in his sonnet 29.
   (a) love   (b) friend
   (c) fate   (d) nature

3. Mention the name of the old shepherd in the play As You Like It
   (a) Corin   (b) Silvius
   (c) Phebe   (d) Touchstone

4. ————— falls in love with Ganymede.
   (a) Silvius   (b) Phebe
   (c) Oliver   (d) Audrey

5. What is Brabantio's position in Venice?
   (a) Senator   (b) Duke
   (c) Knight   (d) King

6. How does Othello kill Desdemona?
   (a) He stabs her
   (b) He smothers her
   (c) He beats her to death
   (d) He shoots her

7. How many times was the crown offered to Caesar by Antony?

   (a) 2 times

   (b) 3 times

   (c) 5 times

   (d) 1 times

8. Who convinces Brutus to join the conspiracy?

   (a) Cassius

   (b) Casca

   (c) Cinna

   (d) Antony

9. Elizabethan dramas took place only during —————.

   (a) Nights

   (b) Daylight

   (c) Morning

   (d) Evening

10. In Shakespeare's time ————— actors played the female parts.

    (a) Rich   (b) Poor

    (c) Boy   (d) Girl

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

11. (a) Write a brief note on Shakespeare's Sonnet 29.

    Or

    (b) What does the sun represent in sonnet 33?

12. (a) Bring out the comic elements in As You Like It.

    Or

    (b) Sketch the character of Touchstone.

13. (a) What does Casio represent in Othello?

    Or

    (b) How is Roderigo killed?

14. (a) Why does Calpurnia try to stop Caesar from going to the Senate?

    Or

    (b) Write a short character sketch of Cassius.

15. (a) Write a paragraph on Elizabethan Audience

    Or

    (b) Discuss the Women's role in Shakespeare's plays.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

16. (a) Elucidate the central idea of Shakespeare's Sonnet" Shall I compare thee to a summer's day"?

Or

(b) Discuss the salient features of Shakespearean Sonnets.

17. (a) Bring out the romantic elements in As You Like it.

Or

(b) How has Orlando been portrayed by Shakespeare in 'As You Like it'?

18. (a) Elucidate the tragic flaw of Othello.

Or

(b) Consider the play 'Othello' as a tragedy.

19. (a) Why is the play called 'Julius Caesar' even though Brutus is the hero of the play?

Or

(b) Compare and contrast the characters of Brutus and Cassius.

20. (a) Discuss the role of Fools and Clowns in Shakespear's plays.

Or

(b) Write an essay on Super natural elements in Shakespeare.

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