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Third Semester

English — Main

BRITISH POETRY

(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. On whose death Milton wrote the elegy, Lycidas.  
(a) Edward King      (b) Pope  
(c) Theocritus      (d) None of these
2. Whose defeat has been celebrated in 'Alexander's Feast' written by Dryden?  
(a) Darius III      (b) Timotheus  
(c) Bacchus      (d) David

3. How does Shelley address the Skylark in the very beginning of the poem, 'Ode to a Skylark'?  
(a) Sweet Heart      (b) Love's sister  
(c) Oh Heaven      (d) Blithe spirit
4. What does Hippocrene refer to in the poem, "Ode to Nightingale"?  
(a) Spring on Mt. Helicon  
(b) Greek God of mountains  
(c) Pegasus  
(d) None of these
5. In the poem, 'Ulysses' Happy Isles refer to  
(a) Canary Islands      (b) Island in Red Sea  
(c) Isles of scilly      (d) None of these
6. To whom does the Duke of Ferrara speak in the poem, 'My Last Duchess'?  
(a) His friend  
(b) Fra Pandolf  
(c) An envoy of another noble man  
(d) A noble man
7. "The Windhover" is a  
(a) Sonnet      (b) Lyric  
(c) Ballad      (d) Heroic Couplet

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8. Where is 'Gregory Wood' mentioned in the poem, 'A Prayer for My Daughter'?

- (a) England (b) Scotland  
(c) Ireland (d) Italy

9. The title, 'Strange Meeting' is taken from

- (a) Shelley's 'Revolt of Islam'  
(b) Shakespeare's Hamlet  
(c) Eliot's Waste land  
(d) None of these

10. What is the word Ted Hughes used in his poem to describe the swallow as a dressmaker?

- (a) Seamstress (b) tailor  
(c) Cloth designer (d) None of these

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Bring out the Pastoral elements in 'Lycidas'.

Or

(b) How does Dryden explain the power of music in his poem Alexander's Feast?

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12. (a) What does the bird symbolize in the poem, 'Ode to a Skylark'?

Or

(b) How does Keats conceptualize death in his poem 'Ode to the Nightingale'?

13. (a) How does Ulysses describe his people as depicted by Tennyson?

Or

(b) Estimate the Duke of Ferrara's attitude towards his last Duchess.

14. (a) Explain Hopkins' religious devotion expressed in his poem "The Windhover".

Or

(b) Comment on Yeats' use of the storm as a symbol in the poem, "A Prayer for my Daughter".

15. (a) Why is the meeting between two soldiers called "strange"?

Or

(b) How does Ted Hughes describe human to be pollutant and destructive in his poem "Work and Play"?

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PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Critically evaluate "Lycidas" as an Elegy.

Or

- (b) Trace the development of thought in the poem "Alexander's feast".
17. (a) What is Shelley's philosophy of life? – Explain with reference to his poem, "Ode to a Skylark".

Or

- (b) What commentary on society was John Keats making with an "Ode to the Nightingale"?
18. (a) Draw the character sketch of Ulysses' as described by Tennyson.

Or

- (b) Comment on Browning's use of the dramatic monologue in the poem "My Last Duchess".

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19. (a) Explain how nature has been represented in the poem "The Windhover".

Or

- (b) How does the poem "Prayer for my Daughter" reveal a father's concern for his daughter?

20. (a) "Strange Meeting" as a war poem — Discuss.

Or

- (b) How does Ted Hughes in his poem "Work and Play" paint out nature to be hard-working, dedicated and beautiful?

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