

18. (a) Describe an analysis of the significance of place and location in the novel The Mayor of Casterbridge.

Or

- (b) "Hard Times is built around a few simple, contrasting thematic ideas". What are some of them, and how do they function in the book? How does Lousia fit among these ideas?
19. (a) Why is it important that Pinch Morris and Seth Bede are Methodists? Is Adam Bede a religious novel?

Or

- (b) Examine Virginia Woolf's art of characterization in Mrs. Dalloway.
20. (a) Describe the character of Marie in the novel A Burnt out Case. Do you find her character realistic/ Sympathetic?

Or

- (b) Analyse the character of William Ashendon in Cakes and Ale.

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FICTION — I

(For those who joined in July 2008 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL the questions.

1. What are the key religious issues for the characters throughout the novel Joseph Andrews?
2. Where does Crusoe serve as a slave?
3. Which of the daughters is described as having "Strength and Understanding" in Sense and Sensibility?
4. Who is Cedric in Ivanhoe?
5. What does Michael do for a living?

6. What was the view of Dickens 'Grangrinds' school?
7. Why does Eliot title her novel Adam Bede?
8. What are Clarissa Dalloway's values?
9. What does "Deo Gratis" mean in A Burnt out Case?
10. Where did Somerset Maugham derive the title of the novel Cakes and Ale?

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

11. (a) How do you consider Joseph Andrews as a mock epic?

Or

- (b) Bring out the allegorical significance of Robinson Crusoe.

12. (a) Comment on the irony used to expose human folly in Sense and Sensibility.

Or

- (b) Comment on the plot of Ivanhoe and show how Scott ties up all the loose ends of the conflicts.

13. (a) State the difference between Modernism and Traditionalism in The Mayor of Casterbridge.

Or

- (b) Sketch the character of Bitzer in Hard Times.

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14. (a) How is the role of women in society portrayed in the novel Adam Bede?

Or

- (b) Comment on Clarissa Dalloway's split personality in Mrs. Dalloway.

15. (a) Analyse the character of Rycker in A Burnt out Case.

Or

- (b) Sketch the character of Lord George Kemp in Cakes and Ale.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

16. (a) Analyse the character of Joseph Andrews and his role in the novel.

Or

- (b) Evaluate the spiritual insights in Daniel Defoe's Robinson Crusoe.

17. (a) What is the relationship between love and money in Sense and Sensibility? Is it different for different characters?

Or

- (b) Evaluate how Isaac and Rebecca serve as a focal point in the novel Ivanhoe.

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