

UG/2nd Sem (G) / 22 (CBCS)

U.G. 2nd Semester Examinations 2022

ENGLISH (General)

Paper Code : ENGG - DC-2 / GE-2

(CBCS)

Full Marks : 32

Time : Two Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

Section - I

Unit - I

Answer any *one* question from the following in about 200 words : 6×1=6

1. How does Shakespeare describe the lady he loves in Sonnet 130? Discuss with suitable reference to the text.
2. Critically consider John Donne's 'The Anniversary' as a Metaphysical love poem.
3. Comment on John Milton's firm faith in God as revealed in 'On His Blindness'.
4. Analyze 'The Tyger' by William Blake as a poem about creation.

Unit - II

Answer any *one* question from the following in about 200 words : 6×1=6

1. What features of the skylark does Wordsworth highlight in his poem 'To the Skylark'?
2. Examine the aspects or ideas of discovery covered in 'This Lime-Tree Bower My Prison'.
3. Discuss the symbols used by P.B. Shelley in the poem 'The Cloud'.
4. Critically comment on John Keats's personification of Autumn in 'To Autumn'.

Unit - III

Answer any *one* question from the following in about 200 words : 6×1=6

1. Compare and contrast Ulysses and Telemachus in Tennyson's 'Ulysses'.
2. Evaluate Robert Browning's 'The Last Ride Together' as a dramatic monologue.

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3. Critically comment on the conflict between religion and science in the poem 'Dover Beach' by Matthew Arnold.
4. Critically comment on the symbolic significance of the bird in Thomas Hardy's 'The Darkling Thrush'.

Unit - IV

Answer any *one* question from the following in about 200 words : 6×1=6

1. Comment on the note of escapism in W.B. Yeats's 'The Lake Isle of Innisfree'.
2. Critically analyze the use of imagery in "Preludes" by T.S Eliot.
3. Evaluate Wilfred Owen's attitude towards war in the poem 'Futility'.
4. Discuss the significance of the title of 'The Unknown Citizen' by W. H. Auden.

Section - II

Unit - I

Answer any *one* question from the following in about 60 words : 2×1=2

1. "Nor shall death brag thou wander'st in his shade" — Locate and explain.
2. Briefly explain the allusion to 'seven sleeper's den' in 'The Good-Morrow'.
3. What does the 'weak witness of thy name' signify in the poem 'On Shakespeare'?
4. Explain the implications of the two words 'immortal' and 'fearful' in Blake's "The Tyger".

Unit - II

Answer any *one* question from the following in about 60 words : 2×1=2

1. 'Will no one tell me what she sings?' Why does the poet ask this question? What, according to the speaker, might be the theme of the song?
2. Do you think the speaker's comparison of the bower to a prison ironic in "This Lime-Tree Bower My Prison"? Briefly substantiate your answer.
3. Which word, according to Shelley is 'Of'n Profaned' and why?
4. What are the feelings of the city-dweller when he returns home after spending the day in the countryside?

Unit - III

Answer any *one* question from the following in about 60 words : 2×1=2

1. What meaning does the 'clear call' evoke for the poet in "Crossing the Bar"?
2. Bring out the basic conflict in Browning's "A Grammarian's Funeral".
3. What, according to Matthew Arnold, did Sophocles hear long ago in the Aegean Sea?
4. Analyze two symbols used in the poem "Neutral Tones".

Unit - IV

Answer any *one* question from the following in about 60 words : 2×1=2

1. Why does the poet allude to Troy in "No Second Troy"? Explain in brief.
 2. What does the 'fog' in 'Marina' signify?
 3. What does the simile, "who die as cattle" suggest in "Anthem for Doomed Youth"?
 4. What are the speaker's religious beliefs in W.H. Auden's "Lullaby"? When the speaker stops speaking to his sleeping beloved, whom does he begin speaking to?
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