

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020
II Year IV Semester
History of English Literature from 1800 to the Present

Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks :75

Section A ($10 \times 2 = 20$) Marks

Answer any **TEN** questions

1. In what ways were the Romantic poets unique?
2. What is Existentialism?
3. Write a short note on the humour in the essays of G.K. Chesterton.
4. How is Ruskin a social reformer?
5. What are the Romantic elements in W.B. Yeats's poetry?
6. What is Wordsworth's view of nature?
7. What is Oscar Wild's contribution to the Revival of Drama?
8. How can Beckett be associated with the theatre of the absurd?
9. Name the Bronte Sisters.
10. Mention some of Virginia Woolf's Modernist contemporaries.
11. How is Coleridge the representative of Romantic poets?
12. List out the important works of J.M. Synge.

Section B ($5 \times 5 = 25$) Marks

Answer any **FIVE** questions

13. What are the main characteristics of Romanticism in literature?
14. Mention some important themes of Charles Lamb's essays?
15. How was Shalley different from Keats?
16. What were Charles Dickens's thoughts and opinions on the Victorian Era?
17. Give a brief account of the works of R.L. Stevenson.
18. Describe Alfred Lord Tennyson as a poet of imagination.
19. Keats is often accused of being an escapist. Justify your answer with suitable examples.

Section C ($3 \times 10 = 30$) Marks

Answer any **THREE** questions

20. Write an essay on the Theatre of the Absurd.
21. Broadly discuss George Orwell's political motifs and purpose of his writings.
22. Discuss Arnolds use of language, structure and rhyme in his poetry.
23. Justify George Bernard Shaw as a social thinker.
24. How is the theme of social and political change on individual life portrayed in the works of Virginia Woolf?

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