

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020
II Year III Semester
British Prose

Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks :75

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2. What are the three fruits of friendship according to Bacon?
3. How did Johnson defend Shakespeare?
4. Briefly describe the members of the Trumpet Club.
5. What is significance of the title Dream Children by Charles Lamb?
6. Why does Oliver Goldsmith pray to God to make him "stone hearted"?
7. Who according to A.G. Gardiner is a civilized man?
8. How does John Ruskin define advancement in life?
9. What are the two main advantages of Democracy according to Forster?
10. Why does Hazlitt hate to read new books? What reasons does he give to justify?
11. Why does Huxley comment that the two beautiful women were unattractive?
12. Explain what Steele meant by the following lines
"The mind of man in the long life will become a magazine of wisdom or folly and will discharge itself in something impertinent or improving".

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

Answer any **FIVE** questions

13. What is the therapeutic use of friendship according to Bacon?
14. Describe a Quack doctor and his qualities as Defoe presents them in his essay on Quack Doctors.
15. Sketch the character of the great grand mother in the essay on Dream Children.
16. How does Carlyle justify that "Poet hero's are born, not made"?
17. Enumerate the reasons why the essay What I Believe is "a defense of democracy and secular values against the advancement of Totalitarian regime in Europe".
18. Why is Bacon of the view that "whosoever is delighted in solitude is either a wild beast or a God"?
19. Bring out the sarcasm in the essay A City Night Piece by Goldsmith.

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

Answer any **THREE** questions

20. How does Bacon explain the fruits of friendship? Elucidate.
21. Write an account of the Trumpet Club with whom Richard Steele spent his evenings.
22. Describe the themes of loss and regret in Lamb's life as presented in the essay Dream Children.
23. Elucidate why A.G Gardiner believes that sacrifice is the foundation of liberty?
24. "The Beauty Industry is a satirical essay by Huxley". Explicate.

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