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(AUTONOMOUS)

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M.A. (Eng) END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS NOVEMBER - 2023

SEMESTER - I

20PELCT1003 - Romantic and Victorian Age

Total Duration : 2 Hrs. 30 Mins.

Total Marks : 60

Section B

Answer any **SIX** questions ($6 \times 5 = 30$ Marks)

1. Explore the contrasting perspectives of love and human nature presented in "The Clod and the Pebble."
2. Apply your understanding of the poem "Porphyria's Lover" to analyze the psychological motivations of the speaker.
3. Describe the societal conditions during the time 'The Praise of Chimney Sweepers' was written, and then relate those conditions to the author's message in the text.
4. Describe the theme of morality in Oscar Wilde's An Ideal Husband.
5. Analyze the potential outcomes of Anne Elliot's decision to rekindle her relationship with Captain Wentworth.
6. Relate Carlyle's ideas on heroism to his views on the creative process of a poet.
7. Interpret the significance of the diamond brooch in the plot of the play. What does it represent, and how does it drive the narrative.
8. Differentiate the moral dilemmas faced by Dr. Tertius Lydgate and Fred Vincy in the novel, and analyze how they handle them differently.

Section C

I - Answer any **TWO** questions ($2 \times 10 = 20$ Marks)

9. Describe the role of the wind in the speaker's desire for change and inspiration.
10. How does the speaker attempt to solve or cope with the crisis of faith and doubt presented in the poem "Dover Beach"?
11. Illustrate the potential cognitive benefits of regularly reading old books, as suggested by Hazlitt.

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12. Predict how the revelation of Sir Robert's past could impact his political career and personal life.

II - Compulsory question ($1 \times 10 = 10$ Marks)

13. Weigh the ethical dilemmas faced by Tess and the societal expectations placed upon her.
