

AE-1035

B.A. Private (Part - I)
Term End Examination, 2016-17

Paper - I

English Literature
(1550-1750)

Time : Three Hours] [Maximum Marks : 75

Note : Answer **all** questions. There is internal choice in each question. The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

1. Annotations :

Explain any **three** with reference to the context of the given passages : **5×3**

(a) This brand she quenched in a cool well by,
Which from Love's fire took heat
perpetual,
Growing a bath and healthful remedy,
For men diseased; but I, my Mistress
thrall,
Came there for cure, and this by that I
prove,
Love's fire heats water, water cools hot
love.

(2)

(b) Perhaps my semblance might
deceive the truth,
That I to manhood am arriv'd so near;
And inward ripeness doth much less
appear,
That some more timely-happy
spirits endu'th.

(c) True Ease in writing comes from Art, not
Chance,
As those move easiest who have learn'd
to dance,
'Tis not enough no Harshness gives
Offence,
The Sound must seem an Echo to the
Sense.

(d) Read not to contradict and confute; nor
to believe and take for granted; nor to
find talk and discourse; but to weigh and
consider.

(e) He seldom introduces the subject he
speaks upon; but we are so far gone in
years, that he observes when he is among
us, an earnestness to have him fall on
some divine topic.

(f) Why should a man, whose blood is warm
within,
Sit like his grandsire, cut in alabaster ?
Sleep when he wakes ? and creep into
the jaundice
By being peevish ?

(3)

2. Short answer type questions : 1×10

Answer any **ten** of the following questions :

- (a) Give the definition of the Renaissance.
- (b) Humanism had several significant features. Write any one feature.
- (c) What was the effect of Humanism ?
- (d) What is the meaning of Reformation ?
- (e) Name any one comedy written by Shakespeare.
- (f) Gratiano is the character of which drama ?
- (g) What is a Petrarchan Sonnet ?
- (h) What is a Sonnet Sequence ? Give an example.
- (i) What is the Senecan tragedy ?
- (j) What is a revenge tragedy ? Give an example.
- (k) What do you mean by periodical essay ?
- (l) Who contributed the largest number of papers to the spectator ?
- (m) What is meant by Augustan age ?
- (n) Who wrote 'The Tatler' ?
- (o) Who wrote 'Mac Flecknoe' ?

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3. Long answer type questions : 10×5

Answer any **five** of the following questions :

- (a) Write a note on Shakespeare's Sonnet No.154- 'The Little Love God'.
- (b) Comment - John Donne as a metaphysical poet.
- (c) Which three heroic couplets from - "An Essay on Criticism" by Pope achieved a satirical effect ? Discuss.
- (d) Discuss Bacon as an Essayist.
- (e) Critically explain Bacon's essay 'Of Health'.
- (f) Bring out the serious and tragic elements in 'The Merchant of Venice'.
- (g) Write a brief character sketch of Antonio with special reference to his melancholy.
- (h) Analyse the spider and the bee episode from 'Battle of Books'.