

November – December 2019
M. A. Ist Semester Examination

ENGLISH LITERATURE
PAPER I: POETRY

Time 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : Regular 85 / Private 100

[Min. Marks : Regular 28 / Private 33

Note : This question paper is meant for all Regular and Private students. Answer all five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The blind candidates will be given 60 minutes extra time.

Annotate any two of the following passages :

- (a) The mind is its own place, and in itself
Can make Heav'n of Hell, a Hell of Heav'n.
- (b) Alone, alone all all alone
Alone on a wide, wide sea !
And never, a saint took pity on
My soul in agony.
- (c) When thou and I first one another saw,
All other things, to their destruction draw,
Only our love hath no decay.
- (d) The nymph, to the destruction of mankind,
Nourished two locks, which graceful hung behind
In equal curls, and well conspired to deck.

Discuss the character of Satan in the context of the poem "Paradise Lost" (Book I). Write a note on "grand epic style" as found in Milton's "Paradise Lost".

OR

Spenser is described as a "Painter-poet". Comment on the pictorial quality in his *The Fair Queen*.

3. Discuss *The Prologue* as a picture of contemporary society."

OR

Describe Chancer's attitude towards the Ecclesiastical characters in *The Prologue*.

OR

"*The Rime of the Ancient Mariner*' is an allegory of sin and its absolution." Do you agree ? Give reasons.

"Shakespeare's wrote many sonnets out of re-collected emotion." Discuss.

OR

Attempt a critical appreciation of "*The Extaise*" or "*The Anniversarie*".

Discuss "*The Rape of the Lock*" as a master piece of 18th century aristocratic society.

OR

Discuss the supernatural element in "*The Rape of the Lock*".

OR

Comment on "*Absalom and Achitophel*" as a good humoured satire.