

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Honours 4th Semester Examination, 2024

CC10-ENGLISH

BRITISH LITERATURE: 19TH CENTURY

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Answer any *two* of the following questions:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$

(a) Attempt a character sketch of Jane Eyre.

OR

- (b) Evaluate Jane Eyre as a gothic novel.
- (c) How does Dickens interweave history and fiction in A Tale of Two Cities? Discuss.

OR

- (d) Comment on the role of Lucie Manette in A Tale of Two Cities.
- (e) Trace the evolution of the character of Mr. Darcy in Pride and Prejudice.

OR

- (f) Critically comment on the title of the novel, Pride and Prejudice.
- 2. Answer any *two* of the following questions:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$

(a) "Ulysses and Telemachus stand for two kinds of philosophy of life." Discuss with reference to Tennyson's "Ulysses".

OR

- (b) Assess "The Lady of Shalott" as an allegory.
- (c) Critically evaluate "The Last Ride Together" as a love poem.

OR

- (d) Discuss "My Last Duchess" as a dramatic monologue.
- (e) "Goblin Market" is a complex poetic allegory about sexual temptation. Discuss.

OR

(f) Critically appreciate "Goblin Market".

3.

- Answer any *four* of the following questions: $5 \times 4 = 20$
- (a) Comment on the role of Mr. Bennett in Pride and Prejudice.
- (b) Why is Charles Darnay acquitted at the trial?
- (c) How does Rochester go blind in Jane Eyre?
- (d) Comment on the ending of the poem, "My Last Duchess".
- (e) "To follow knowledge like a sinking star." Explain the imagery.
- (f) Briefly comment on the first line of Pride and Prejudice.
- (g) "My riding is better by their leave." Why does the speaker make such a claim?
- (h) Who caused the death of the Lady of Shalott?
- (i) Why was Dr. Manette imprisoned in A Tale of Two Cities?
- (j) What does Laura have to give in exchange for the goblins' fruits?

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