

**M.A. 1st Semester Examination, 2019**

**ENGLISH**

PAPER — ENG-103

*Full Marks : 40*

*Time : 2 hours*

*The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks  
Candidates are required to give their answers in their  
own words as far as practicable*

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary*

1. Answer any two questions : 8 × 2
- (a) Attempt a postcolonial reading of *Robinson Crusoe*.
- (b) Comment on the role of author-as-narrator in *Tom Jones*.
- (c) How far is Hardy's philosophy of life represented in *Tess* ?

(d) On what basis does Wollstonecraft claim equal rights for both men and women? Discuss.

2. Comment on any *four* of the following : 4 × 4

- (a) Robinson Crusoe as the prodigal son.
- (b) The expression "my reign-or my captivity" in *Robinson Crusoe*.
- (c) Significance of the food metaphor in the opening chapter of *Tom Jones*.
- (d) Role of Jenny Jones in *Tom Jones*.
- (e) Baptism of Sorrow in *Tess*.
- (f) Significance of the title of the seventh phase of *Tess*.
- (g) "The divine right of husbands, like the divine right of kings, may, it is to be hoped, in this enlightened age, be contested without danger."

(h) Give one example from the Text to show that Wollstonecraft is a proto-feminist.

3. Answer any *four* questions : 2 × 4

- (a) What is the name of the slave along with whom Robinson Crusoe escapes the pirates ? Who does Robinson Crusoe sell him to ?
- (b) What does Robinson Crusoe inscribe on the wooden post ? For what other purpose does Robinson Crusoe use it for ?
- (c) Name the character who attempted to rape Sophia Western in Lady Bellaston's place. Who rescued Sophia from the disaster ?
- (d) Why does the author introduce a journey metaphor in the last prefatory chapter of *Tom Jones* ? Discuss briefly.
- (e) What is 'Stonchange' ? What is its significance in the last phase of *Tess* ?

- (f) What was inscribed on the headstone of John Durbeyfield ?
- (g) When was *The Vindication* published ?
- (h) Who was the father of Mary Wollstonecraft ?  
Who was her husband ?
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