

**M.A. 1st Semester Examination, 2023**

**ENGLISH**

**PAPER — ENG-101**

*Full Marks : 50*

*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*

**GROUP—A**

Answer any two of the following questions :

1. (a) Write a note on Chaucer's use of irony <sup>10 × 2</sup> in the "General Prologue".

*Or*

- (b) Comment on Chaucer's depiction of the Franklin and the Monk in the "General Prologue".

2. (a) "Shakespeare critiques the assumptions of the hetero-normative society in his sonnets". Do you subscribe to this view? Answer with reference to the sonnets you have read.

*Or*

- (b) "Besides offering an exuberant celebration of love, Shakespeare's Sonnets critique the infidelities and the 'excesses' in love as well." Discuss with reference to the sonnets you have read.

3. (a) "Donne's 'The Canonization' is a complex treatment of the formal canonization processus." Discuss.

*Or*

- (b) Critically discuss how Donne unites the corporeal and the spiritual in his poetry with reference to the poems you have read.

4. (a) Critically analyse the portrayal of Sporus in Pope's "An Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot".

*Or*

- (b) How does Pope's "An Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot" exemplify Augustan Satire?

GROUP-B

Comment on any **four** of the following :

5 × 4

5. The Portrayal of the guildsmen in the "General Prologue".
6. The poet-speaker's attitude to the Dark Lady.
7. "Love's mysteries in souls do grow,/But yet the body is this book."
8. Donne's use of botanical imagery in "The Ecstasy."

9. The role of Dr Arbuthnot in Pope's Epistle.
10. Pope's purpose behind writing the Epistle.

**[ Internal Assessment — 10 Marks ]**

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