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ENGLISH

(MAJOR)

Paper : ENGMAJ1024B

**(English Literature : From the Age of
Chaucer to Augustan Age)**

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : Three hours

**The figures in the margin indicate
full marks for the questions.**

1. Choose the correct answer from the following : 1×6=6

(a) How many times has the Wife of Bath been married ?

(i) Three

(ii) Four

(iii) Five

(iv) Six

(b) In *Hamlet*, who of the following remains alive ?

(i) Lactes

(ii) Horatio

- (iii) Claudius
- (iv) Gertrude
- (c) Donne's *A Valediction : Forbidding Mourning* compares the parting of lovers to —
 - (i) Rebirth
 - (ii) Eternal life
 - (iii) Death
 - (iv) Endless happiness
- (d) What does Pandaeonium refer to in *Paradise Lost*?
 - (i) A battlefield to fight with God's angels
 - (ii) A massive lake of fire in hell
 - (iii) The kingdom of heaven on earth
 - (iv) A massive temple built by the rebel angels
- (e) What is the central theme of Pope's *An Essay on Man*?
 - (i) Love
 - (ii) The Nature and state of man
 - (iii) War
 - (iv) Childhood
- (f) What does the Good Angel encourage Faustus to read?
 - (i) A long poem
 - (ii) The Koran
 - (iii) The Scriptures
 - (iv) Milton's *Paradise Lost*

2. Answer the following questions : **(any five)**
2×5=10

- (a) What does the Wife of Bath think about marriage?
- (b) What is a Metaphysical conceit?
- (c) Who is Satan's 'right-hand man' in Milton's *Paradise Lost*?
- (d) What do you know about the group of playwrights that Marlowe represents?
- (e) What is Tony Lumpkin's chief complaint against his mother?
- (f) How does Ophelia die?
- (g) Why does Mirabell seek entry into Lady Wishfort's residence?

3. Answer the following questions : **(any six)**
5×6=30

- (a) What type of tale does the Wife of Bath tell? Is there any moral in it?
- (b) What is Alexander Pope's stated purpose in *An Essay on Man*?
- (c) Write a note on the poignancy of the sailor's futile attempt to survive in *The Castaway*.
- (d) Discuss Milton's *Paradise Lost* as an epic poem.

- (e) How does Marlowe use the Good and Evil Angels to explore the internal conflict within Faustus' mind?
- (f) Do you consider Hamlet a tragic hero or simply a victim of circumstances? Discuss either way giving arguments.
- (g) Discuss the role of Tony Lumpkin in raising comic situations in *She Stoops to Conquer*.
- (h) Write a note on the conflicts — both internal and external — faced by Hamlet.
- (i) Draw a character sketch of either Lady Wishfort or Mrs. Marwood.

4. Answer the following questions : **(any two)**

12×2=24

- (a) Why does not Hamlet kill Claudius immediately? What are its consequences?
- (b) Why, according to Alexander Pope, is man the proper study of mankind?
- (c) What is Metaphysical poetry? What are the characteristic features of it?
- (d) Discuss the themes of deception and manipulation in *The Way of the World*.