

MAEL–202

Shakespearean Drama

M. A. English (MAEL–12/16/17)

Second Year, Examination, 2017

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

Note : This paper is of **eighty (80)** marks containing **three (03)** Sections A, B and C. Learners are required to attempt the questions contained in these Sections according to the detailed instructions given therein.

Section–A

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Note : Section ‘A’ contains four (04) long answer type questions of nineteen (19) marks each. Learners are required to answer *two* (02) questions only.

1. Hamlet is a man “Caught in ethical and metaphysical uncertainties.” Discuss.
2. Do you agree with the view that *The Tempest* raises social and ethical questions about colonialism ? Give reasons for your answer.
3. “Better to be Antony and lose than to be Caesar and win.” Critically examine this statement.
4. Analyse *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* as a romantic comedy.

Section-B**(Short Answer Type Questions)**

Note : Section ‘B’ contains eight (08) short answer type questions of eight (08) marks each. Learners are required to answer *four* (04) questions only.

1. Discuss the characteristics of a Shakespearean tragic hero.
2. What is the significance of the closet scene between Hamlet and his mother ?
3. Examine the view that Cleopatra represents the “Superhuman Vitality” of Egypt.
4. Write a note on the use of magic in *The Tempest*.
5. Analyse the importance of the play within the play, “Pyramus and Thisbe” in *A Midsummer Night’s Dream*.
6. Discuss the importance of the role of the comic characters, Stephano and Trinculo in *The Tempest*.
7. “Clandius is more than a Melodramatic Villain.” Discuss.
8. “*Antony and Cleopatra* is a tragedy of passion and fatal love.” Discuss.

Section-C**(Objective Type Questions)**

Note : Section ‘C’ contains ten (10) objective type questions of one (01) mark each. All the questions of this Section are compulsory.

1. What is the name of Ophelia’s brother in *Hamlet* ?
2. What is the name of Prospero’s brother ?

3. In the play *Hamlet* who are the characters, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern ?
4. What is the name of Caliban's mother ?
5. Who is Enobarbus ?
6. Name any *one* of the triumvirs in *Antony and Cleopatra*.
7. In *A Midsummer Night's Dream* who is Theseus fiancee ?
8. Who says these words in *The Tempest* ?

O wonder !

How many goodly creatures are there here !

How beauteous mankind is !

O brave new world

That has such people in't !

9. Name the king of the fairies in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.
10. What is the title of the play within the play in *Hamlet* ?

