MAEL-201

19th & 20th Century British Poetry

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. Discuss the role of nature and landscape in Wordsworth's poetry focusing on the poem "Tintern Abbey".
- 2. Bring out the elements of medievalism in Keats's "The Eve of St. Agnes."
- 3. Examine Shelley's "Adonais" as an elegy on the death of Keats. Is the poem more about Keats or the poet himself ?
- 4. What is a Dramatic Monologue ? Discuss Browning's "Rabbi Ben Ezra" as a Dramatic Monologue.

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. How does "Ode on a Grecian Urn" by John Keats reflect the theme that art is immortal ?
- 2. In Shelley's "To a Skylark" how does the poet contrast the life of the bird and of the man ?
- 3. How does Tennyson compare the old age and young age in "Tithonous" ?
- 4. Referring to "The Last Ride Together" by Robert Browning show how the lover tries to console himself and justify his apparent failure ?
- 5. Write a short critical appreciation of "Sailing to Byzantium" by W. B. Yeats.
- 6. Who is Tiresias and what is his role in Eliot's "The Waste Land"?
- 7. The poem "In Praise of Limestone" by W. H. Auden is about the beauty of mutable, imperfect world. Discuss briefly.
- 8. 'Now I hold creation in my foot.' Explain the centrality of this assertion in the poem "Hawk Roosting" by Ted Hughes.

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. In Coleridge's "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner", a ghostly ship comes into view with a woman and a figure of Death on board. What are they doing ?

- 2. What was the nationality of W. B. Yeats?
- 3. In "The Wasteland" what was Madame Sosostris suffering from ?
- 4. In "Tintern Abbey", after how many years was Wordsworth revisiting the banks of the Wye ?
- 5. Identify the source of the following lines : "That is no country for old men."
- 6. In which of Keats' odes is the equivalence between beauty and truth established ?
- 7. Who defines poetry as "The spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings"?
- 8. Who is 'thou' in the line "thou art unseen, but yet I hear thy shrill delight"?
- 9. With whom do we associate the phrase 'Negative Capability'?
- 10. "Rabbi Ben Ezra" is a poem about :
 - (a) Pessimism
 - (b) Scepticism
 - (c) Optimism
 - (d) Atheism

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