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MAEL-202

Shakespearean Drama

M. A. English (MAEL–12/16)

Second Year, Examination, 2017

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60

Note: This paper is of sixty (60) marks containing three (03) sections A, B and C. 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 fifteen (15) marks each. Learners are required to answer *two* (02) questions only.

- 1. Based on your reading of Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, analyze the character of *Hamlet* in your own words.
- 2. Discuss the various themes presented in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.
- 3. Draw a character sketch of Cleopatra in your own words
- 4. Shed light on Shakespeare's *The Tempest* as a Tragicomedy.

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Section-B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Note: Section 'B' contains eight (08) short answer type questions of five (05) marks each. Learners are required to answer *four* (04) questions only.

- 1. Write a note on the evolution of the Revenge Play.
- 2. Compare the characters of Hermia and Helena.
- 3. Write a note on the Feminist interpretation of *The Tempest*.
- 4. How does Mark Antony meet his end?
- 5. As compared to female figures in comedies, women in *Hamlet* are secondary in importance. Discuss.
- 6. How does Shakespeare deal with the issues of gender in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*?
- 7. Write a note on the setting of *The Tempest*.
- 8. Who is Lepidus in Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra*?

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 father?
- 2. In *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, who is dosed with Oberon's magic love juice which makes him fall madly in love with Helena?

- 3. Name the most trusted friend and supporter of Mark Antony, who after his defection, commits suicide.
- 4. What is the name of Antonio's Son?
- 5. Name the literary device which is often used in drama in which a character speaks to himself or herself, relating thoughts and feelings, thereby also sharing them with the audience, giving off the illusion of being a series of unspoken reflections.
- 6. Name the shrewd knavish spirit in *Midsummer Night's Dream*, who out of sheer mischief, puts an ass' head over Bottom's.
- 7. Who is the speaker of the following line, "Let Rome in Tiber melt, and the wide arch/Of the ranged empire fall".
- 8. Name the sub-human son of the malevolent witch Sycorax in William Shakespeare's *The Tempest*?
- 9. Name the sub-genre of Tragedy in which "the subject is a murder and the quest for vengeance, and it includes a ghost, insanity, suicide, a play within a play, sensational incidents, and a gruesome bloody ending".
- 10. To which sub-genre of comedy do the comedies of Congreve and Dryden belong?

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