3 (Sem-2/CBCS) ENG HC 2

2023

ENGLISH

Paper: ENG-HC-2026

(British Poetry and Drama : 14th to 17th Centuries)

(Honours Core)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

- 1. Answer the following questions as directed: 1×10=10
 - (a) Why is Shakespeare's play named Twelfth Night?
 - (b) What is the name of the country where Shakespeare's Twelfth Night is set?
 - (c) What name does Viola take up in Orsino's court?
 - (d) How many husbands did the Wife of Bath have?
 - (e) How did the Wife of Bath dominate her old husbands?

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- Whom does Lady Macbeth frame for the murder of Duncan?
- (g) Where was Doctor Faustus born?
- (h) In the poem, The Sunne Rising, why is the sun called a 'busy old fool'?
- (i) But trepidation of the spheres, though greater far, is

(Fill in the blank)

- (j) When was Spenser's Amoretti
- 2. Answer the following questions:

2×5=10

- (a) What is the plea that the poet makes to his beloved in Spenser's Sweet Warrior (Sonnet 57)?
- (b) What does the 'three-personed God' mean in the poem, Batter My Heart?
- (c) Name the twins in Twelfth Night.
- (d) Why does Macbeth think that the witches want to help him?
- (e) Why does Doctor Faustus decide to practice necromancy?

3. Write short notes on any four of the following:

- (a) The speaker's attitude towards the sun in Donne's The Sunne Rising
- (b) The Romantic entanglements in Twelfth

 Night
- (c) Literary devices in Spenser's One Day I Wrote Her Name
- (d) The difference between kingship and tyranny in Macbeth
- (e) The relationship between the Wife of Bath and her fifth husband
- (f) The role of the good and the bad angels in Doctor Faustus
- **4.** Answer any four of the following questions: $10 \times 4 = 40$
 - (a) Discuss Donne's The Sunne Rising as a metaphysical poem.

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(b) What idea do you form of the character of the Wife of Bath from her prologue? Elaborate.

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(c) Analyse the representation of Lady Macbeth in Macbeth.

Or

- (d) Discuss the poetic themes in the prescribed sections of Spenser's Amoretti.
- (e) How do Viola and Olivia represent instances of gender role reversal in Twelfth Night?

Or

- (f) Attempt a critical appreciation of Spenser's Sonnet LXXV, One Day I Wrote Her Name.
- (g) Examine the concept of hell as depicted by Mephistopheles in *Doctor Faustus*.

Or

(h) What is the role of the comic characters in *Doctor Faustus*? How does Marlowe use them to illuminate Faustus' decline? Discuss.



