

B.A. 4th Semester (Honours) Examination, 2023 (CBCS)

Subject : English

Course : CC-IX

(British Romantic Literature)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as applicable.*

1. Answer *any ten* of the following questions: 2×10=20
- (a) What does Wordsworth mean by “With the length of five long winters”?
 - (b) What does Wordsworth mean by “Wreaths of smoke” in “Lines Composed a Few Miles above Tintern Abbey”?
 - (c) How does Coleridge describe the river Alph in his poem “Kubla Khan”?
 - (d) What does Coleridge want to convey by the line “His flashing eyes, his floating hair” in “Kubla Khan”?
 - (e) What does the speaker say about the ‘clothing’ of the lamb in Blake’s “The Lamb”?
 - (f) What is the ‘Trinity’ established by the poet at the end of the poem “The Lamb”?
 - (g) What does Blake mean by ‘fearful symmetry’ in “The Tyger”?
 - (h) What does the phrase, ‘burning bright’ suggest in “The Tyger”?
 - (i) What does Blake try to suggest by Tom’s dream in ‘The Chimney Sweeper’ from the *Songs of Innocence*?
 - (j) Why is Napoleon called “Extreme in all things” by Byron?
 - (k) To whom is Canto-III of ‘Childe Harold’s Pilgrimage’ addressed? When was it published?
 - (l) Explain the simile “like ghosts from an enchanter fleeing...,” in Shelley’s “Ode to the West Wind”.
 - (m) Explain the irony in the line “And wrinkled lip, and sneer of cold command...” in Shelley’s ‘Ozymandias’.
 - (n) “Full of the true, the blushful Hippocrene”. What does Keats mean by ‘Hippocrene’ in his ‘Ode to a Nightingale’?
 - (o) “Think not of them”. What does Keats mean by this line in his poem ‘Ode to Autumn’?

2. Answer *any four* of the following questions:

5×4=20

- (a) What was Wordsworth's attitude to Nature in his boyhood? Answer with reference to Wordsworth's "Lines composed a Few Miles above Tintern Abbey".
- (b) In "Kubla Khan", what does the poet call a miracle of rare device" and why?
- (c) Explain the image in the line: "When the stars threw down their spears".
- (d) "Conqueror and Captive of the Earth art thou!" Why is Napoleon called the Conqueror and Captive of the earth by Byron in his "Childe Harolde's Pilgrimage"?
- (e) "Destroyer and preserver; hear, oh, hear!" Why does Shelley call the West Wind the "destroyer and preserver"?
- (f) "Thou was not born for death, immortal Bird!" How does Keats immortalize the bird's song in his "Ode to a Nightingale"?

3. Answer *any two* of the following questions:

10×2=20

- (a) Consider *Pride and Prejudice* as a critique of contemporary society.
 - (b) Coleridge's "Kubla Khan" is said to be a poem about the act of poetic creation. Do you agree? Give reasons in support of your answer.
 - (c) Keats presents a contrast between the transience of life and the permanence of art in his "Ode to a Nightingale". Discuss with references to the poem.
 - (d) Examine Wordsworth's attitude to Nature with reference to his poem "Lines Composed a Few Miles Above Tintern Abbey".
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