

QUESTION-BANK

ENGLISH

B.A. II, PAPER-I

DRAMA

UNIT-I

Q-1(A) Explain the following passages with reference to the context, adding critical comments wherever necessary;
 $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3 = 19\frac{1}{2}$ marks

(i) Candida here, and Candida there, and Candida everywhere! It's enough to drive anyone out of their senses to hear a woman raved about in that absurd manner merely because she's got good hair and a tolerable figure.

(ii) What I am you have made me with the labour of your hands and the love of your heart. You are my wife, my mother, my sisters; you are the sum of all loving care to me.

(iii) There the grown serpent lies, the worm that's fled Hath nature that in time will venom breed, No teeth for the present.

(iv) Give me the daggers. The sleeping and the dead
Are but as pictures. It is the eye of childhood
that fears a painted devil.
If he do bleed,
I'll gild the faces of the gossams withal,
for it must seem their guilt.

(v) Why, gentleman, if you know neither the road you are going, nor where you are, nor the road, you came, the first thing I have to inform you is, that you have lost your way.

(vi) From the excellence of your cup, my old friend, I suppose you have a good deal of business in this part of the country. Warm now, now and then, at elections, I suppose.

(B) Answer the following questions in short; $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ marks each.

- (i) Who is Miss Proserpine Garnett?
- (ii) Why was Macbeth envious of Banquo?
- (iii) What is the reaction on Miss Kate Hardcastle of Marlow's nervousness?
- (iv) What prophecies did the witches make about Macbeth and his progeny?
- (v) Write down the definition of 'tragedy' given by Aristotle.
- (vi) What are three unities followed by classical playwrights?
- (vii) Who kills Macbeth?
- (viii) Write a note on the morality in the comedy of manners.
- (ix) What is a problem play?
- (x) How does Lady Macbeth die?

UNIT-II (20 Marks)

- Q 2. (i) Consider Macbeth as a Shakespearean tragedy.
- (ii) Discuss the significance of opening scene of Macbeth.
 - (iii) Is 'Macbeth' a tragedy of character or of destiny?
 - (iv) What is the significance of sleep walking scene in Macbeth?

UNIT II Contd...

- Q3 (i) Consider *Candida* as a Problem play -
- (ii) Write an essay on George Bernard Shaw as a social reformer with special reference to his play '*Candida*'.
- (iii) Write a note on the dramatic significance of 'auction scene' in the play '*Candida*'.
- (iv) Discuss '*She Stoops to Conquer*' as a 'Pure Comedy'.

UNIT-III

Q4. Answer the following questions in short :
(2 Marks each)

- (i) What is a 'psychological play'?
- (ii) Explain the term soliloquy.
- (iii) Write a note on Shakespeare's 'tragic hero'.
- (iv) What is hamastia?
- (v) What is Poetic Drama?
- (vi) What is sentimental comedy?
- (vii) Write a brief note on 'closet Drama'.
- (viii) What is expressionistic drama?
- (ix) Define drama of ideas.
- (x) What are the various types of tragedy?

UNIT-IV

Q5 - Answer the following questions in about 250 words each:
(10 Marks each)

- (i) Explain "Fair is foul and foul is fair"

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- (ii) Discuss the role of supernatural elements in 'Macbeth'
- (iii) Justify the title of the play entitled "She Stoops to Conquer".
- (iv) Who is more impressive: Mr. Morel or Marchbanks?
- (v) Describe casket episode in the play entitled "She Stoops to Conquer".

B.A. II, PAPER-II

FICTION

UNIT-I

Q1. Answer the following questions: (02) Marks each

- (i) What do you mean by 'setting'?
- (ii) What is the importance of plot in ~~the~~ a novel?
- (iii) What is dystopia? Give an example.
- (iv) What are the chief principles of characterization?
- (v) Define 'narrative'.
- (vi) Write a critical note on 'Poetic Justice' in 'David Copperfield'.
- (vii) Write a note on rustic characters of 'The Mayor of Casterbridge'.
- (viii) Describe in short the child life in the novels of Charles Dickens.
- (ix) Discuss 'Pride and Prejudice' as a domestic novel.
- (x) Discuss the role of Elizabeth Jane.

UNIT-II

Q.2. (20) Marks each;

- (i) Discuss the character of Darcy in 'Pride and Prejudice'.
- (ii) Bring out the significance of the title 'Pride and Prejudice'.
- (iii) Give a pen portrait of Darcy.
- (iv) Give a character sketch of Elizabeth Bennet.

UNIT-III

Q.3. (20) Marks each;

- (i) What is Hardy's philosophy of life as it is brought out in 'The Mayor of Casterbridge'?
- (ii) Hardy calls Michael Henchard 'a man of character'. What does the expression mean and how far is it an apt description of Henchard?
- (iii) Give a pen portrait of Donald Farfrae.
- (iv) Compare and contrast the characters Susan and Lucetta.

UNIT-IV

Q.4. (20) Marks each;

- (i) Attempt a character sketch of David Copperfield.
- (ii) Give a pen portrait of Uriah Heep.

(iii) Discuss Dickens's handling of the theme of evil and suffering in 'David Copperfield'.

(iv) Write a note on use of irony and humour by Charles Dickens with special reference to his novel 'David Copperfield'.

UNIT-V

Q 5. (10) Marks each:

- (a) Write a note on the art of characterization.
- (b) What are the chief characteristics of Regional Novel?
- (c) Write a note on 'detective novel'.
- (d) What are the elements of a Short Story?