

**English [Honours]**  
**[CBCS]**  
**B.A. Third Semester End Examination-2023**  
**(Regular & Supplementary Paper)**  
**PAPER-CC5**

*Full Marks: 60*

*Time: 03Hrs*

*The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.*

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

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

**1. Attempt any two questions taking one from each group:**

**2x10 = 20**

**Group A**

- i) Discuss how the rejected love console himself as revealed in the poem "The Last Ride Together"
- ii) Matthew Arnold's "Dover Beach" bring out the loss of Faith as well as identifies an anodyne to this loss in love. – Discuss.

**Group B**

- iii) Comment on Oscar Wilde's description of the conduct of upper class people in his play, *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

iv) Do you think the portrayal of Jane in Bronte's *Jane Eyre* comments on the condition and position of women in Victorian society? Substantiate your answer.

2. Answer any four questions of the following: 4x5 = 20

- i) How do you explain the expression, "He works his work, I mine" in Tennyson's "Ulysses"?
- ii) Locate and comment : "The instant made eternity".
- iii) Comment on the ending of Browning's "My Last Duchess".
- iv) How did the 'Victorian dilemma' influence and shape the literature of that period?
- v) Comment on the primary visual and aural images used in Arnold's "Dover Beach".
- vi) How do the settings of the city and the country in Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest* reflect the theme of social conventions of the time?
- vii) Write, in brief, Dickens contribution to the development of Victorian novel.
- viii) What is utilitarianism?

3. Answer any ten questions of the following: 10x2 = 20

- i) Why did Jane refuse to marry Rochester?
- ii) What was St. John's offer to Jane, and why did she reject it?
- iii) What is the subtitle of the play *The Importance of Being Earnest*? What does it signify?

- iv) Why did Jack compare Lady Bracknell to a gorgon in Act 1 of *The Importance of Being Earnest*?
- v) Name the imaginary artists mentioned in the poem, "My Last Duchess".
- vi) Who is the speaker of the poem 'My Last Duchess'? What kind of man is he?
- vii) "It may be we shall touch the Happy Isles,  
And see the great Achilles, whom we knew"  
– Who is Achilles? What is 'Happy Isles'?
- viii) How does the ending of Tennyson's "Ulysses" reflect Ulysses's character?
- ix) Why does the lover think that his achievement is better than those of the poet, sculptor and musician in Browning's "The Last Ride Together"?
- x) Why does the lover consider the earth a favoured place in "The Last Ride Together"?
- xi) Why does Matthew Arnold refer to Aegean Sea in "Dover Beach"?
- xii) What is alluded to in the expression "ignorant armies clash by night"? What does this allusion imply in Arnold's "Dover Beach"?
- xiii) Name the three sisters who wrote novels in the Victorian period. Name their chief works.

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- xiv) What was the Oxford Movement? Who was the leader of the movement?
- xv) Mention atleast two Victorian essayists who extensively dealt with social and moral themes in their writings.

