

**ENGLISH [Honours]**

**[NEP]**

**B.A. First Semester End Examination-2024**

**PAPER: ENG MJ 101**

**Full Marks: 60**

**Time: 03 Hrs.**

*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. 2×10= 20**

**Group-A**

- i) Briefly discuss Yeats's use of symbols and imagery in "The Wild Swans at Coole"
- ii) How is the figure of Lucy portrayed in the poems of Wordsworth prescribed in your syllabus?

**Group-B**

- iii) O Henry's "The Last Leaf" reveals the ideals of hope, friendship and sacrifice through the actions of the central characters. Discuss.
- iv) Examine how Charles Lamb beautifully blends humour and pathos in his essay "Dream Children: A Reverie".

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2. Attempt any two of the following:  $2 \times 5 = 10$

- i) How was Lucy educated by Nature as presented in Wordsworth's "Three Years She Grew in Sun and Shower?"
- ii) How does Yeats view ageing and the passage of time in "The Wild Swans at Coole"?
- iii) Write a note on the character of Sue in "The Last Leaf".
- iv) Analyse the ending of "Dream Children: A Reverie".

3. Write short notes on any two of the following:  $2.5 \times 2 = 5$   
Allegory; Ballad; Elegy; Dramatic Monologue; Plot; Character; Bildungsroman; Image; Carpe-diem; Ode;

4. Scan any one of the following passages and identify the meter:  $5 \times 1 = 5$

- i) One day I wrote her name upon the strand,  
But came the waves and washed it away:  
Again I wrote it with a second hand,  
But came the tide, and made my pains his prey.

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- ii) Water, water, everywhere,  
And all the boards did shrink;  
Water, water, everywhere,  
Nor any drop to drink.

5. Answer any ten questions of the following:  $10 \times 2 = 20$

- i) What is meant by "earth's diurnal course"? How has "she" become a part of the earth's diurnal course?
- ii) "The Work was done"— Who says this? Which work was done?
- iii) How does the personified Nature amplify Lucy's loveliness in "Three Years She Grew in Sun and Shower"?
- iv) In which year was "The Wild Swans at Coole" first published? Mention the two years of two visits made by W. B. Yeats to Coole Park.
- v) "And now my heart is sore."— Why is the speaker suffering from melancholy?
- vi) Mention the beauty of the lake of "The Wild Swans at Coole".
- vii) "Mysterious, beautiful;"—Who are called so by the poet and why?
- viii) What was Mr. Behrman's initial reaction to Johnsy's illness in "The Last Leaf"?

- ix) Why was Johnsy counting the leaves on the creeper outside her window?
  - x) How does the author introduce Mr. Behrman to the readers?
  - xi) What is 'Behrman's masterpiece' in "The Last Leaf"?
  - xii) "Those innocents would do her no harm."—Who were the innocents? To whom would they not do any harm and why?
  - xiii) Whom does Lamb refer to as 'faithful Bridget'? Why?
  - xiv) Who uses the phrase "these busy-idle diversions"? What is the meaning of the phrase? What is the figure of speech used?
  - xv) Who is Lady C.?
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