

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Honours Part-II Examination, 2020

ENGLISH

PAPER-IV (NEW SYLLABUS)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Answer any *one* of the following:

 $20 \times 1 = 20$

- (a) Discuss critically the Romantic concept of Imagination.
- (b) Who are called the precursors of Romantic poetry? Assess their contribution to the development of English poetry.
- 2. Answer any *one* of the following:

 $15 \times 1 = 15$

- (a) Consider Wordsworth's 'Tintern Abbey' as a thesis poem.
- (b) How does Coleridge create the supernatural atmosphere in "Christabel" (Part-I)? Argue your answer.
- (c) Write a critical appreciation of Shelley's "The Skylark".
- (d) Trace the evolution of thought as presented in Keats' "Ode to a Nightingale".
- 3. Answer any *two* of the following:

 $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 5$

- (a) Describe the effect of the West Wind upon land and water.
- (b) "May none those marks efface!" Why does the poet say so?
- (c) How does Keats catalogue human predicament in "Ode to a Nightingale"?
- (d) How does Wordsworth present the topography in "Tintern Abbey"?
- 4. Answer any *one* of the following:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$

- (a) How does Lamb fuse pathos and humour in his essays? Discuss with suitable textual elucidations.
- (b) Lamb is sometimes called a 'prisoner of the past'. Do you agree? Argue your answer.
- (c) Discuss Hazlitt as a romantic essayist with reference to the prescribed essays.
- (d) Critically appreciate Hazlitt's 'On Going a Journey'.
- (e) Reflect on Highbury society as described in *Emma*.
- (f) Consider *Emma* as a novel concerned with marriage and matchmaking.
- (g) Assess Walter Scott as an historical novelist with reference to The Heart of Midlothian.
- (h) Justify the significance of the title of Walter Scott's *The Heart of Midlothian*.

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