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B.A./B.Ed. (Four Year) (Part - II) EXAMINATION - 2026

B.A./B.Ed. 05/06/07 (G-B)

ENGLISH LITERATURE - I

(Poetry and Drama)

Paper - I

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Question No. 1 and 2 are compulsory. Candidate is required to attempt other three questions one from each section with internal choice.

Q1. Explain with reference to context any Four of the following extracts - 4x5 = 20

(i) Beneath those rugged elms, that yew-tree's shade,
where heaves of turf in many a mould'ring heap,
Each in his narrow cell for ever laid,
The rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep.

(ii) For who to dumb forgetfullness a prey,
This pleasing anxious being e'er resign'd,
Left the warm precincts of the cheerful day,
Nor cast one longing, ling'ring look behind?

(iii) He holds him with glittering eye-
The wedding-guest stood still,
And listen like a three year's child:
The Mariner hath his will.

(iv) Who hath not seen thee oft amid thy store?
Sometimes whoever seeks abroad may find
Thee sitting careless on a granary floor,
Thy hair soft-lifted by - the winnowing wind;

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(v) Drive my dead thoughts over the universe

Like wither'd leaves to quicken a new birth!

And, by the incantation of this verse

Scatter, as from an unextinguish'd hearth

(vi) Of desire, and your spirit of ambition,

they said, and they sat around,

On the floor with my mother in the Centre,

the peace of understanding on each face.

(vii) My cold parchment tongue licks bark

in the mouth when I see her four

still sensible fingers slowly flex

to pick a grain of rice from the kitchen floor.

(viii) Rising out of it, feeding

upon its crust, absorbing

years of sunlight, air, water,

And out of its leperous hide

Sprouting leaves.

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5x4 = 20

2. Answer any five of the following questions, in brief -

(a) Describe the main theme of "Elegy written in a Country Churchyard" by Thomas Gray.

(b) What picture of Social injustice is presented in "London" by William Blake?

(c) What impression does the song of the reaper leave on the poet in "The Solitary Reaper".

(d) What idea of nature is expressed in Byron's poem "There is a pleasure in the Pathless woods"?

(e) What does Shelley wish from the West Wind in "Ode to the West Wind"?

(f) Describe the reaction of the villagers and the family in "Night of the Scorpion"?

(g) How does "The Looking Glass" reflect the theme of love and self-identity?

(h) Describe the process of destroying a tree in "On killing a tree" by Gieve Patel.

(i) What idea of human life and death is conveyed in Ramanujan's poem "Obituary"?

(j) What criticism of poets and society is expressed in Ramanujan's poem "A River"?

SECTION - A

3. How does Wordsworth expresses his disappointment with modern civilization in the sonnet "The world is too Much with us?

OR

Discuss the theme of Death and Mortality in "Elegy written in a Country Churchyard".

SECTION - B

4. How does Indo-Anglian Poetry combine Indian spirit with the English Language?

OR

Discuss the significance of the title "Of Mothers' Among Other Things"

SECTION - C

5. Analyze the character of Nora and her transformation as a modern woman in the play "A Doll's House"

OR

Do you think Amal is the protagonist of the play "The Post Office"? Justify your answer.

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