



**B.A. I Semester Degree Examination, April/May - 2024**

**OPTIONAL ENGLISH**

**01-DSC-1 : Introduction to English Literature**

**(NEP)**

Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 60

**SECTION - A**

1. Answer the following questions in a word or a phrase or a sentence. Each carries **one** mark. **10x1=10**
- (a) Name a few literary genres.
  - (b) Define literature.
  - (c) What are the two main types of Sonnets ?
  - (d) What is elegy ? Give an example.
  - (e) Define Tragi-comedy.
  - (f) Name any two Shakespearean comedies.
  - (g) What is autobiography ?
  - (h) What is short story ?
  - (i) In which literary period does Wordsworth's poetry fall ?
  - (j) Who is the author of "The Eyes are Not Here" ?

**SECTION - B**

Answer **any four** of the following. Each question carries **five** marks. **4x5=20**

- 2. Analyze Eagleton's definition of literature as presented in the book "What is literature" ?
- 3. Discuss the characteristics of lyric poetry and how it differs from other forms of poetry.
- 4. Explore the thematic differences between comedy and tragedy.



5. Define biography and discuss its key characteristics.
6. Analyze the significance of the nature and its symbolic representation in “The world is too much with us”.
7. Examine the central idea of the story “The Eyes are Not Here”.

**SECTION - C**

Answer **any three** of the following. Each question carries **ten** marks. **3x10=30**

8. Briefly introduce Terry Eagleton and describe his work “What is literature” ?
9. Discuss the form and structure of Sonnet and Ballad.
10. How do tragedies and one act plays differ in their treatment of resolution and conclusion ?
11. Compare the thematic focus of short stories and essays, and how they convey their messages.
12. Elucidate the central theme of “The world is too much with us” by Wordsworth.

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