

MA ENGLISH
FIRST SEMESTER
ENGLISH POETRY-I
MEN – 102 [IMPROVEMENT]
[USE OMR FOR OBJECTIVE PART]

2024/11

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Full Marks: 70

Marks: 20

1×20=20

Duration: 3 hrs.

Time: 20 min.

(Objective)

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1. Shakespearean sonnets are divided into _____.
a. Octave and sestet
b. Three quatrains
c. Three quatrains and one Volta
d. None of the above
2. Which of the following is not a literary device?
a. Metaphor
b. Simile
c. Symbolism
d. Metre
3. John Donne was a _____ poet.
a. Metaphysical
b. Cavalier
c. Neo-classical
d. Feminist
4. 'That in black ink my love may still shine bright' name the poem.
a. Valediction: Forbidding Mourning
b. Sonnet 30
c. Sonnet 65
d. Sonnet 116
5. Complete the sentence: "O, how shall summer's _____ breath hold out, Against the wrackful siege of battering days".
a. Bitter
b. Honey
c. Wrathful
d. Sweet
6. Edmund Spenser's Amoretti was published in the year _____.
a. 1580
b. 1585
c. 1590
d. 1595
7. The sonnet 75 is dedicated to _____.
a. Elizabeth Boyle
b. Queen Elizabeth-I
c. Queen Victoria
d. Elizabeth Bennett

8. "Love is so alike, that none do slacken". What does word 'slacken' mean?
 - a. Strengthen
 - b. Lost
 - c. Achieve
 - d. Weaken
9. Which word does Marvell use in between "Time's "and "chariot" to suggest the urgency he wants to convey in the situation?
 - a. Fleeting
 - b. Remorseless
 - c. Winged
 - d. Hurrying
10. "That in black ink my love may still shine bright" in Sonnet 65 refers to:
 - a. This is literal reference to a love letter written in black ink
 - b. This is literal reference to love that is not pure
 - c. The speaker means to say his writings shall remain forever
 - d. The speaker's love will shine brighter when he writes in black ink
11. Which of the following best describes the tone of *Mac Flecknoe*?
 - a. Heroic and reverential
 - b. Lighthearted and humorous
 - c. Sarcastic and mock-heroic
 - d. Melancholic and tragic
12. In *Mac Flecknoe*, who is crowned as the successor to Flecknoe's literary throne?
 - a. John Dryden
 - b. Thomas Shadwell
 - c. Andrew Marvell
 - d. Samuel Butler
13. What does Satan famously declare in Book I regarding his situation after being cast out of Heaven?
 - a. "Better to reign in Hell than serve in Heaven"
 - b. "I am fallen, but I will rise again"
 - c. "God is just, and I am his servant"
 - d. "Let us go and fight again"
14. What is the punishment of Satan and his followers after their rebellion in Heaven?
 - a. They are cast into Hell
 - b. They are transformed into animals
 - c. They are exiled to Earth
 - d. They are turned into statues
15. How does the speaker resolve the sorrow and regret he experiences in Sonnet 30?
 - a. By focusing on the future
 - b. By turning to his friend for solace
 - c. By accepting that nothing can be done about the past
 - d. By writing the sonnet

16. In Sonnet 30, what does the speaker mean by "grievances" in line 2?
- a. Joyful events
 - b. Regrets and past sorrows
 - c. Romantic pleasures
 - d. Future ambitions
17. What does Dryden claim is the true "art" of Mac Flecknoe's empire?
- a. Great poetry
 - b. Empty, pretentious, and nonsensical verse
 - c. Artistic genius
 - d. Political manipulation
18. What is the significance of the mock-heroic style in *Mac Flecknoe*?
- a. To elevate trivial subjects to the level of heroic epics
 - b. To undermine the importance of monarchy
 - c. To celebrate Shadwell's achievements
 - d. To give a serious tone to the critique of Shadwell
19. What causes Satan and his followers to fall from Heaven?
- a. A rebellion against God's authority
 - b. Disobedience to divine commands
 - c. Desire for more power and control
 - d. d) All of the above
20. What is the setting for the coronation of Shadwell as the king of dullness?
- a. A palace in London
 - b. A theatre in Rome
 - c. The city of Augusta
 - d. The realm of nonsense

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(Descriptive)

Time: 2 hr. 40 mins.

Marks: 50

[Answer question no.1 & any four (4) from the rest]

1. Write four characteristics of metaphysical poetry. Discuss John Donne's "The Good Morrow" as a metaphysical poem. 4+6=10
2. Do you agree that "To His Coy Mistress" is a love poem by Andrew Marvell? If yes, provide instances from the poem to support your answer. 3+7=10
3. What is a sonnet? What are the differences between Petrarchan Sonnet and Shakespearean Sonnet? What are the themes present in "Sonnet 30" by Shakespeare? 2+2+6=10
4. Critically comment on the character of Satan as portrayed by Milton on the basis of your understanding of Paradise Lost Book 1. 10
5. Comment on Mac Flecknoe as a mock-heroic poem. 10
6. Write a note on the background of Mac Flecknoe. 10
7. Examine the themes of love and time in Edmund Spenser's Sonnet 75. 5+5=10
8. Explain the following lines: 5+5=10
 - a) What does Shakespeare mean by 'his swift foot'
 - b) What is the 'miracle in black ink' referred to?