

B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
NOVEMBER 2023.

First Semester

English – Allied

LITERARY FORMS

(For those who joined in July 2021–2022)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer:

- A form of poetry which is structured in Strophe, Antistrophe and the epode is
  - Epic
  - Ode
  - Verse
  - Pastoral
- A fourteen lined poem in iambic pentameter that follows a strict rhyme scheme and specific structure is called
  - Blank verse
  - Couplet
  - Sonnet
  - Elegy

- An example of dramatic irony would be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Someone parked directly in front of a 'No parking' sign
  - When characters in a horror movie say "There's nothing down there!"
  - Rain on a wedding day
  - All of the above
- Dramatic irony can be based on either \_\_\_\_\_ information or \_\_\_\_\_ information.
  - Inside...outside
  - Accurate...inaccurate
  - Audience...character
  - Logical...emotional
- Story of a person's life written by another person is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Biography
  - Autobiography
  - Folktale
  - Short story

- Which of the following best defines the heroic couplet?
  - Two characters in an epic who are romantically involved
  - Two lines of rhyming verse written in iambic pentameter
  - The concluding lines of any poem
  - Two characters who act as foils in a comedy of manners
- Which is not a type of Satire?
  - Horatian
  - Juvenalian
  - Calm
  - Menippean
- Which of these is not a necessary feature of tragedy?
  - The hero
  - Hubris
  - Pathos
  - A sad ending
- How does the speaker reveal his temperament and character in Dramatic Monologue?
  - Through dance and song
  - Only through his song
  - Only through his speech
  - All the above

- Fiction that involves an event in history, contains historical facts, events or people, but is not true.
  - Historical fiction
  - Nonfiction
  - Realistic fiction
  - Fantasy

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

- Write a short account on Ode.

Or

  - How does an epic differ from other works of literature? Explain.
- Write a short note on Ottava Rima.

Or

  - Briefly explain Spenserian stanza.
- Explain a tragedy in drama.

Or

  - Focus on the two main elements of farce.

14. (a) Write a brief note on surprise in drama.

Or

(b) Describe soliloquy in a play.

15. (a) Write a brief note on Biography.

Or

(b) Explain how an essay is structured.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Write an essay on the Growth and development of Sonnet.

Or

(b) Elaborate the Characteristic element of an Elegy.

17. (a) Analyze the major subjects of Ballads.

Or

(b) Discuss the effect of Rhyme royal.

18. (a) Analyze the characteristics of a tragic comedy.

Or

(b) Substantiate the purpose of Melodrama.

19. (a) Discuss the characteristics of modernism in drama.

Or

(b) Attempt an essay on the origin and growth of English drama.

20. (a) Write an essay on the Types of Essay.

Or

(b) Infer the importance of structure in Novels.