

BA (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
NOVEMBER 2023.

First Semester

English - Core

INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE

(For those who joined in July 2023 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL the questions.

Choose the best answer:

1. Sonnet is a poem of \_\_\_\_\_ lines.  
(a) 12 (b) 14  
(c) 10 (d) 13
2. The poem 'Lycidas' is a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Pastoral elegy (b) Lysic  
(c) Sonnet (d) Ode

3. Milton became blind at the age of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) 45 (b) 43  
(c) 40 (d) 50
4. In 'Ode to Nightingale', Ruth is a Character from \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Paradise Lost  
(b) The Bible  
(c) The Kuran  
(d) Pamela
5. Stephen Leacock is a \_\_\_\_\_ short story writer.  
(a) British (b) American  
(c) Canadian (d) Indian
6. Uncle Podger found fault with \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) the carpenter  
(b) his family members  
(c) his wife  
(d) his maid
7. The daughter of Egeus is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Helena (b) Hermia  
(c) Hippolyta (d) Titania

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8. Viola disguises herself as \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Orsino (b) Sebashan  
(c) Cesario (d) Malvalio
9. Mr. Bennet asks Elizabeth not to marry \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Mr. Bingley  
(b) Mr. Darcy  
(c) Mr. Collins  
(d) Mr. Bennet
10. Elizabeth's confidante and friend is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Jane (b) Mrs. Bennet  
(c) Lydia (d) Kilty

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Write a paragraph on prosody and metre.  
Or  
(b) Discuss about the origin and development of short story.

12. (a) Consider the poem "When I Consider How my Light is Spent" as a sonnet.  
Or  
(b) Describe the world of Nightingale as presented by John Keats.
13. (a) Enumerate Bacon's views on studies.  
Or  
(b) Draw the character sketch of Uncle Podger.
14. (a) Write about the role played by Bottom.  
Or  
(b) Write about the character of Duke Orsino.
15. (a) Comment upon the end of the novel 'Pride and Prejudice'.  
Or  
(b) Write a short note on Bennet family members.

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PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Attempt an essay on the major features of Sonnet.

Or

- (b) What is an elegy? Cite famous elegies in English.

17. (a) Consider 'Ode to Nightingale' as an impressive poem.

Or

- (b) How does Milton reconcile to his loss of vision?

18. (a) Justify the title of the short story 'The Financial Expert'.

Or

- (b) Bring out the humour in 'Uncle Podger Hangs a Picture'.

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19. (a) Discuss about the major theme of the play 'Twelfth Night'.

Or

- (b) Consider 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' as a romantic comedy.

20. (a) Discuss 'Pride and Prejudice' as a domestic novel.

Or

- (b) Bring out the best qualities in the character Elizabeth in 'Pride and Prejudice'.

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