ENGLISH

Semester-I Examination (DODL)

Paper: CC-1

(Renaissance to Restoration: Drama (1485-1659)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 4 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Block: 1

1. a) Discuss the thematic significance and dramatic function of the two masques in *The Tempest*.

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OR

- b) Analyze the theme of political and social hierarchy in *The Tempest*. 15
- 2. a) What role does magic play in Shakespeare's *The Tempest?* 5

OR

b) Comment on the dramatic significance of the sub-plot featuring Trinculo, Caliban and Stephano in Shakespeare's *Tempest*.

[Turn over]

Block: 2

3. a) Write an essay discussing the significance of the title of Shakespeare's *Measure for Measure*.

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OR

- b) Would it be justified to call *Measure for Measure* a Problem Play? Give reasons for your answer.

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- 4. a) Locate, annotate and comment: 5

 "Condemn the fault, and not the actor of it?

 Why, every fault's condemned ere it be done.

 Mine were the very cipher of a function

 To fine the faults, whose fine stands in record,

 And let go by the actor."

OR

b) Comment on the significance of the bed-trick scene in *Measure for Measure*. 5

Block: 3

5. a) 'Ben Jonson's *Volpone* may be considered as a beast fable without a moral' – Do you agree with this view? Give reasons for your answer.

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OR

b) Attempt an analysis of the character of Mosca in *Volpone*.

6. a) Write briefly on the theme of lust in Volpone.

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OR

b) Locate, annotate and comment: 5

"Honour! tut, a breath:

There's no such thing, in nature: a mere term Invented to awe fools. What is my gold The worse, for touching, clothes for being look'd on?

Why, this is no more. An old decrepit wretch,
That has no sense, no sinew; takes his meat
With others' fingers; only knows to gape,
When you do scald his gums; a voice; a
shadow;

And, what can this man hurt you?"

Block: 4

7. a) Discuss John Webster's handling of the theme of lycanthropy in *The Duchess of Malfi*.

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OR

b) Critically analyze the character of Bosola.

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8. a) Give one example of Machiavelianism in Webster's *The Duchess of Malfi*. 5

OR

b) "I am Duchess of Malfi Still." Comment.

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Semester-I Examination (DODL)

Paper: CC-2

Renaissance to Restoration: Poetry & Prose (1485-1659)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 4 Hours

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UNIT-I

(Marks:40)

Sub-Unit: I

 a) Write an essay analyzing concept of love in the sonnets of Wyatt, Spenser and Sidney with specific reference to the sonnets in your syllabus.

OR

b) Critically analyze the concept of Time in Shakespearean sonnets with reference to the sonnets in your syllabus.

[Turn over]

a) Locate and Annotate: "My verse your virtues rare shall eternise, And in the heavens write your glorious name." 5 OR Locate and Annotate: "So long as men can breathe, or eyes can see, b) So long live this, and this gives life to thee." (4731-3841) Sub-Unit: II Critically analyze Milton's portrayal of the 3. a) Garden of Eden in Paradise Lost Book IV. 15 OR Write an essay commenting on the character b) of Satan with reference to the soliloquies in 15 Paradise Lost Book IV. Locate and Annotate: 4. a) "The Hell within him, for within him Hell He brings, and round about him, nor from him One step no more than from himself can fly By change of place:" OR Locate and Annotate. 5 "He for God only, She for God in him" b)

UNIT-II

(Marks: 40)

Sub-Unit: I

5. a) Write an essay on the narrative technique of *Utopia* by Thomas More. 15

OR

- b) Write an essay on the character of Raphael Hythloday.
- 6. a) Briefly discuss the marriage custom in Utopia.

OR

b) Comment on the religious belief of the Utopians. 5

Sub-Unit: II

7. a) Bacon's essays are a combination of philosophy and practical knowledge. Illustrate with reference to the essays in your syllabus.

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OR

- b) Comment on Bacon's prose style with reference to the essays in your syllabus. 15
- 8. a) Why does Bacon compare truth to "open daylight"?

b) Locate and Annotate:

"For as to the stage, love is ever matter of comedies, and now and then of tragedies;"

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Semester-I Examination (DODL)

Paper: CC-3

Restoration to the Age of Sensibility: Poetry & Drama (1660-1788)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 4 Hours

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Block: 1

1. a) How does John Dryden present the debate between justice and mercy in *Absalom and Achitophel?* Discuss with reference to the text.

OR

- b) Discuss John Dryden's handling of Biblical allegory in *Absalom and Achitophel*. 15
- 2. a) <u>Locate, annotate and comment</u> 5 "I mourn, my country-men, your lost estate;

[Turn over]

Though far unable to prevent your fate:

Behold a banish'd man, for your dear cause

Expos'd a prey to arbitrary laws!

Yet oh! that I alone could be undone,

Cut off from empire, and no more a son!"

OR

A man so various, that he seem'd to be

Not one, but all Mankind's Epitome.

Stiff in opinions, always in the wrong;

Was everything by starts, and nothing long:

But in the course of one revolving moon,

Was chemist, fiddler, statesman, and buffoon"

Block: 2 & 3

3. a) Discuss *Epistle to Dr Arbuthnot* a Horatian satire. Give reason for your answer. 15

OR

b) 'The Deserted Village' is a poem which has classic content but romantic form.'-Assess the appropriateness of this statement. 15

"Proud as Apollo on his forked hill,
Sat full-blown Bufo, puffd by every quill;
Fed with soft dedication all day long,
Horace and he went hand in hand in song.
His library (where busts of poets dead
And a true Pindar stood without a head"

OR

b) Comment on Oliver Goldsmith's depiction of social evils in 'The Deserted Village'. 5

Block: 4

5. a) Do you think the title of William Congreve's *The Way of the World*, is justified? Discuss.

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OR

- b) Analyze Congreve's *The Way of the World*as comedy of manners.

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- 6. a) Comment in brief on the theme of marriage in *The Way of the World*. 5

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OR

b) Write briefly on the significance of disguise in William Congreve's play *The Way of the World*.

Block: 5

7. a) Critically analyze Molière's presentation of the relationship between male and female characters in *The Misanthrope*. 15

OR

- b) Do you consider the title and sub-title of Molière's *The Misanthrope* justified? 15
- 8. a) Analyze in brief Molière's depiction of the friendship between Alceste and Philinte. 5

OR

b) What is the role of Arsinoe in Molière's Misanthrope? 5

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Semester-I Examination (DODL)

Paper: OC-1(A)

(Pre-Independence Indian Literature in English)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 4 Hours

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UNIT-I

(Marks: 40)

Sub-Unit-I

1. a) Write an essay on imagery in Derozio's poetry with reference to the four poems in your syllabus.

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OR

b) Critically comment on the romantic aspects in Toru Dutt's poetry with reference to the poems in your syllabus.

2.	a)	Locate and Annotate:	5
		"If you call me I will come	
		Swifter, O my love,	
		Than a trembling forest deer or a	
		Panting dove."	
		OR	
	b)	Locate and Annotate:	5
		"Those hands are cold	
		But if thy notes divine May be mortal wakened once	;
		Again,	
		Harp of my country, let me strike the strain".	
		Sub-Unit-II	
3.	a)	Critically comment on the character of Nandin	ni
		in Tagore's Red Oleanders.	
		OR	
¥	b)	Write an essay commenting on the symbols is	in
		Tagore's Red Oleanders.	
4.	a)	Briefly comment on the role of the grave digger	rs
		in Pad Olagadaya	5

b) What is the significance of the ornaments of red oleanders used by Nandini in *Red Oleanders*?5

UNIT-II

(Marks: 40)

Sub-Unit-I

5. a) Critically comment on the story "A Shadow" by R. K. Narayan in *Malgudi Days*. 15

OR

b) Analyze the character of Iswaran in the story "Iswaran" by R. K. Narayan in *Malgudi Days*.

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6. a) Why was Thanappa liked by the people in "The missing Mail"?

OR

b) How does Leela react after the disappearance of her friend in the story "Leela's Friend"? 5

Sub-Unit-II

7. a) Write an essay on the significance of Gandhi in the novel *Untouchable*. 15

OR

- b) Comment on Mulk Raj Anand's treatment of realism with reference to the character of Bakha in the novel *Untouchable*.
- 8. a) Briefly comment on the hypocrisy of pundit Kalinath in *Untouchable*. 5

OR

b) What is the custom for the untouchables to fetch water as mentioned in the novel *Untouchable*?

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