

SYBABED SEMESTER END EXAMINATION (REGULAR/REPEAT), APRIL-MAY, 2023

Course Title: 18th & 19th Century English Literature

Course Type: Elective
Max Marks: 70

Subject: English

Semester: IV

Duration: 2 Hours

Instructions:

- All questions are compulsory, and have internal choice.
- Figures to the right indicate maximum marks allotted.
- Questions asked are with reference to the text under study as specified in the course syllabus.

1. Write short notes on any 3 of the following in approximately 100 words: (3 X 5 = 15 marks)
- "All's well that ends well". Is this statement justified in reference to "Oliver Twist".
 - Did Bill Sikes deserve his ending? Justify your response.
 - Narrate the chain of incidents that lead to Oliver Twist "meeting" his family the first time.
 - What message does the poem, "Tithonus", have for its readers?
 - Explain the central theme of the poem, "A Slumber Did My Spirit Seal".
2. Write short notes on any 3 of the following in approximately 100 words: (3X 5 = 15 marks)
- Why does Jane Eyre leave Thornfield Hall?
 - What is Adèle's connection to Mr. Rochester?
 - Does Jane Eyre fall in love with St. John Eyre Rivers? Explain their relationship.
 - Who is Bertha Mason? What is her role in the novel, "Jane Eyre"?
 - Why does William Blake say, "Did he who made the Lamb make thee?"
- 3.
- A. Is the story of 'Jane Eyre' outdated in the 21st century? Justify your response. (10 marks)
OR
- B. Compare and contrast some of the characters, families or locations, that serve as foils throughout "Jane Eyre". (10 marks)
- 4.
- A. Attempt a character sketch of Fagin. Is there any complexity in Dickens' portrayal of him? (10 marks)
OR
- B. Would it be right to say that "Oliver Twist" is a social commentary? Justify your answer with reference to the social conditions of the period. (10 marks)
- 5.
- A. Critically evaluate "Rime of the Ancient Mariner" as a Romantic poem. (10 marks)
OR
- B. What features in "Tintern Abbey" make it a Romantic poem? (10 marks)
- 6.
- A. Write a note on the impact of the French Revolution on English literature. (10 marks)
OR
- B. Write a note on the impact of the Industrial Age on the literature of its time. (10 marks)