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First Year B.A. Degree Examination
OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2014
(Directorate of Distance Education)
(DAA 440) Paper I – ENGLISH OPTIONAL
(Old Scheme)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70/80

Instructions to Candidates :

Note : Answer **ALL** questions.

I. A. Annotate any TWO of the following : **2 × 5 = 10**

- (i) Our sweetest songs are those
That tell of saddest thoughts.
- (ii) A poet could not but be gay
In such a jocund company.
- (iii) Thou wast not born for death, immortal bird!
Not hungry generations tread thee down,
- (iv) Ah, woe is me! was it for thee,
Thou gentle maid! such sights to see?

B. Answer any TWO of the following : **2 × 10 = 20**

- (i) Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem “Daffodils”.
- (ii) Critically analyse the poem “Ode to a nightingale”.
- (iii) Write an essay on the theme of good and evil in ‘Christabel’.
- (iv) Write a critical appreciation of ‘The Chimney Sweeper’.

II. Answer any ONE of the following in about a page and a half each :

1 × 10 = 10

- (a) Discuss ‘A Doll’s House’ as a modern tragedy.
- (b) Sketch the character of Nora.

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III. Answer any TWO of the following :

2 × 10 = 20

- (a) Sketch the character of Catherine.
- (b) Comment on Heathcliff's mad desire for revenge.
- (c) Write short notes on any **TWO** of the following :
 - (i) Nelly Dean
 - (ii) Lockwood
 - (iii) Hindley

IV. Answer any ONE of the following :

1 × 10 = 10

- (a) Write an essay on the definition and classification of literature.
- (b) Comment on Hudson's views on literary evaluation.

V. Compulsory question for 80 marks scheme only :

Answer any **ONE** of the following questions :

1 × 10 = 10

- (a) Do you agree that “Ode to a nightingale” is the most passionately human and personal of all the great Odes? Explain with reasons.

Or

Compare and contrast Thrushcross Grange with Wuthering heights.
