

**Q.P. Code – 50227**

**Second Year B.A. Degree Examination**

**OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2014**

**(Directorate of Distance Education)**

**(DAB 440) Paper II – ENGLISH OPTIONAL**

**Texts : Poetry, Silver Box, Oliver Twist,  
Pride and Prejudice and Essays**

*Time : 3 Hours]*

*[Max. Marks : 70/80*

**Instructions to Candidates :**

- 1) *Students who have attended 30 marks I-A scheme will have to answer for a total of 70 marks.*
- 2) *Students who have attended 20 marks I-A scheme will have to answer for a total of 80 marks.*
- 3) *Section-F is compulsory only for 80-marks scheme.*

**SECTION – A**

**I. Annotate any FOUR of the following choosing TWO from Poetry and TWO from Drama : 4 × 4 = 16**

- (a) If this be error and upon me proved,  
I never writ, nor no man ever loved.
- (b) And death shall be no more; and death, thou shalt die.
- (c) Yet let him keep the rest,  
But keep them with repining restlessness:
- (d) From Harmony, from heavenly Harmony  
This universal frame began:
- (e) Those socialists and Labour men are an absolutely selfish set of people.  
They have no sense of patriotism, like the upper classes, they simply want what we've got.

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- (f) Don't ask me to help you next time. You're not fit to be helped.
- (g) We're all equal before the law – that's rot, that's silly.
- (h) If you choose to get drunk and break the law afterwards you must take the consequences.

**SECTION – B**

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

**2 × 8 = 16**

- (a) How does Shakespeare immortalize the beauty of his friend in his sonnet "Shall I Compare Thee?"
- (b) Discuss the theme and structure of "On His Blindness".
- (c) What do you understand about the relationship between God and Man in the poem "The Gifts of God"?
- (d) Write an appreciation of the poem "Death, Be Not Proud".

**SECTION – C**

**III. Answer any TWO of the following in about a page and a half each :**

**2 × 6 = 12**

- (a) How does the playwright satirize the system of law and justice in *The Silver Box*?
- (b) What do you understand about the social reality in *The Silver Box*?
- (c) Comment on the verdict of the Magistrate and on Jones's reaction to the verdict.
- (d) Sketch the character of Jack Barthwick.

**SECTION – D**

**IV. Answer the following in about two pages each :**

**2 × 8 = 16**

- (a) Sketch the character of Oliver.  
Or  
Discuss *Oliver Twist* as a social satire.

- (b) Sketch the character of Elizabeth.  
Or  
Comment on the theme and technique of *Pride and Prejudice*.

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**SECTION – E**

**V. Answer the following in about a page and a half : 1 × 10 = 10**

Summarize the views of Addison on National Prejudices.

Or

What are Addison's reflections on the tombs of Westminster Abbey?

**SECTION – F**

**VI. Compulsory question for 80 marks scheme only :**

Answer any **ONE** of the following : 1 × 10 = 10

How does Donne present his distinctive concept of love in "Good Morrow"?

Or

What is an essay? Bring out Bacon's views on travel in the essay "Of Travel".

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