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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **ENGLISH LITERATURE**

FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2022

17/18UEL1MC01 – HISTORY OF ENGLISH LITERATURE

Date: 22-11-2022 Dept. No. Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM Max.: 100 Marks

I.Write a short note on any SIX of the following in about 75 words each: (6×5 =30 marks)

- 1) Reformation
- 2) Neo-classical movement
- 3) Oxford movement
- 4) Romanticism
- 5) Irish Theatre
- 6) Modernism
- 7) Metaphysical Poetry
- 8) Puritanism

II. Answer any FOUR of the following in about 150 words each: (4×10 =40 marks)

9) Fiction was at its peak during the period of Defoe. Evaluate.

- 10) Assess the significance of Renaissance poetry.
- George Eliot is the greatest of the novelists in the delineation of feeling and the analysis of motives. Explain.
- 12) Bring out the characteristics of Personal Essays with special reference to the Romantic prose writers.
- 13) Write an essay on the recurrent themes in Irish drama.
- 14) Absurdist tradition was best expressed in the plays of Samuel Beckett. Explicate.

III. Answer any TWO of the following in about 200 words each. (2×15 = 30 marks)

- 15) Chaucer's work was crucial in the history of English Literature. Discuss.
- 16) Edmund Spenser was one of the most important poets of the Elizabethan period. Assess.
- 17) Shakespeare's work has made a lasting impression on English language and literature. Elucidate.
- 18) 'Jane Austen has considerable skill in constructing her plots.' Explain.
