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B.A.DEGREE EXAMINATION - ENGLISH LITERATURE

FOURTH SEMESTER - APRIL 2019

EL 4502- BRITISH DRAMA

Date: 11-04-2019	Dept. No.	Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 01:00-04:00		

PART A

I. Answer any FIVE of the following questions in not more than 100 words each choosing not more than THREE from each section: (5X4=20)

Section 1

1. "They love me not that hate my Gaveston.

I am that cedar;"

Who calls himself the cedar and why?

2. "What do you think, I'm a self-made man? No! I sat where I was told to sit. I kept my eye on the ball."

What do these lines tell you about this character?

3. "A reserved lover, it is said, always makes a suspicious husband."

Identify the speaker and explain the import of this statement.

4. "Webber! Why did you change your name?"

What is the element of mystery here?

Section 2

5. "These are not men for me;

I must have wanton poets, pleasant wits,

Musicians, that with touching of a string

May draw the pliant King which way I please"

6."But what are kings, when regiment is gone,

But perfect shadows in a sunshine day?

My nobles rule; I bear the name of King.

I wear the crown, but am controlled by them"

- 7. "You're dead. You can't live, you can't think, you can't love. You're dead. You're a plague gone bad. There's no juice in you. You're nothing but an odor."
- 8. "O! sir, I must not tell my age. They say women and music should never be dated."

PART B

II. Answer any FOUR of the following questions in not more than 200 words each choosing not more than TWO from each section. (4X10=40)

Section 1

- 9. How does G.B. Shaw debunk the romantic heroics of war in Arms and the Man?
- 10. Comment on the element of repetition in *Waiting for Godot*.
- 11. How does Galsworthy show that justice has quite different meaning for the poor and the rich in his play, *The Silver Box*?

Section 2

- 12. Citing examples from plays prescribed for study elaborate on the distinguishing features of a Restoration Comedy.
- 13. "Ben Jonson in particular adopted the habit of christening his characters in such a way that whatever "humour" governed them was pointed up." Substantiate this statement with examples from *The Alchemist*.
- 14. Analyze Mark Antony's decline. Do his mistakes make him cease to be heroic?

PART C

Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 400 words each choosing one from each section. (2X20=40)

15. "Not Edward, but Mortimer, is the hero of Edward II." Do you agree with this view?

OR

Discuss Marlowe's success in the dramatic treatment of history with reference to Edward II.

16. Commenting on the comic devices and humour in *She Stoops to Conquer* discuss Goldsmith's contribution to British Drama.

OR

Discuss Harold Pinter's The Birthday Party as a "comedy of menace".

