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Programme: MA

Semester: First

Title and Paper Code: History of the English Language and Literature (MAEN101CCT)

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: This question paper consists of three parts: Part-A, Part-B, Part-C. Number of words to answer each question is only indicative. Attempt all parts.

Part-A: contains 10 compulsory questions of multiple choice / fill in the blank / very short answer type question. Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark. (10x1= 10 marks)

Part-B: contains 08 questions of which students are supposed to answer 05 questions. Answer each question in approximately 200 words. Each question carries 06 marks. (05x6= 30 marks)

Part-C: contains 05 questions of which students are supposed to answer 03 questions. Answer each question in approximately 500 words. Each question carries 10 marks. (03x10= 30 marks)

Part – A

1. Choose the correct option to answer the following.

- i. Who wrote the famous poem *Preface to the Lyrical Ballads*?
 - a. Coleridge
 - b. Southey
 - c. Wordsworth
 - d. Byron
- ii. The first Folio edition of Shakespeare's plays was published in the year _____.
 - a. 1623
 - b. 1564
 - c. 1660
 - d. 1600
- iii. Who is the poet of the following famous patriotic song is often prescribed for school anthologies in India:
"Breathes there the man, with soul so dead who never to himself hath said, this is my own, my native land."
 - a. Robert Southey
 - b. Walter Scott
 - c. Lord Byron
 - d. William Wordsworth
- iv. Who among the following is not a Victorian writer?
 - a. Charles Dickens
 - b. Elizabeth Gaskell
 - c. Barbara Wood
 - d. Anne Bronte
- v. _____ did the first English translation of the Bible.
 - a. Roman Jacobson
 - b. John Wycliff
 - c. Voltaire
 - d. Max Muller
- vi. Which of the following is another name for Old English?
 - a. Anglo-Saxon
 - b. Indo-European
 - c. Gaelic
 - d. Anglican
- vii. Grimm's law was given by _____.
 - a. Grimm John
 - b. Ramus Rask
 - c. Jacob Grimm
 - d. Karl Verner
- viii. Russian is a _____ language.
 - a. Baltic
 - b. Italic
 - c. Germanic
 - d. Slavic

- ix. Which of the following was a group that tried to spread Catholic teaching after the Reformation?
- a. The Protestants
 - b. The Anabaptists
 - c. The Calvinists
 - d. The Jesuits
- x. Which of the following statements about sonnets are true?
- a. The sestet states the question or problem and the octet states the solution.
 - b. The English sonnet sometimes varies in the number of lines it has.
 - c. The English sonnet usually consists of 2 quatrains and a couplet.
 - d. A rhyme scheme of ABBA ABBA CDE CDE would belong in an Italian sonnet.

Part – B

2. What do you understand by the 'Great Vowel Shift'?
3. Write short notes on any two of the following
 - i. *Grimm's Law*
 - ii. *Verner's Law*
 - iii. University Wits.
4. What is the importance of the Norman Conquest in the development of English language?
5. What are the chief characteristics of the Romantic Poetry? Explain in detail.
6. Write a detailed note on Present Day English.
7. What are the elements of modernism in literature?
8. What do you understand by *Chancery Standard*?
9. Comment on the features of Restoration Comedy.

Part – C

10. Attempt a detailed note on the Indo-European family of Languages.
11. Write a detailed note on the chief dialects of Old English.
12. What do you understand by the term Renaissance? How did it affect the literature of the age? Discuss with special reference to the Elizabethan literature.
13. Discuss any two significant Victorian novelists with special reference to their representative works.
14. Critically examine the difference between Old English and Modern English.
