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Programme: M.A. (English)

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Course Title: **English Poetry**

Course Code: **MAEN203CCT**

Time: **3 Hours**

Total marks: **70**

Note: This question paper consists of three parts: Part-A, Part-B and 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 a descriptive question in approximately 200 words. Each question carries 04 marks. **(5x6=30 marks)**

Part-C contains **05** questions, of which students are supposed to answer 03 questions only. Answer each question in approximately 500 words. Each question carries 10 marks. **(3x10=30 marks)**

Part A

1. Answer all the questions.

- A sonnet is a _____ lines poem
- An epic begins with _____
- Mono means _____, logue means _____.
- Mention the poems prescribed for study that start with 'Once Upon a Time'
- At what age, Sylvia Plath first attempted suicide, as she confessed in the poem?
- The poet's father in the poem 'Obituary' dies in the _____
- Despite his anonymity it is the common man who builds the _____
- With which music composer does the nightingale compare the frog?
- _____ is taken from Adrienne Rich's thirteenth part 'An Atlas of the Difficult World'
- The metaphor of a _____ is used by T.S Eliot to describe the soot rubbing against a window in the poem 'Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock'

Part B

- Enumerate the various characteristics of the epic form.
- Describe the predicament of the narrator in 'The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock'
- Why is Milton called as the "devil's advocate" by certain critics?
- Which part of attempting suicide does Sylvia Plath finds difficult?
- Which reader do you relate with among the list of readers mentioned in Adrienne Rich's poem?
- Bring out the irony in the lines
"For old times sake,
I will hallucinate
your halos, your holiness"
- Discuss the figurative interpretation of 'the road less travelled'
- What kind of a teacher was the frog?

Part C

- What are the things that the father wants to unlearn and what does he wants to relearn in the poem 'Once Upon a Time'
- Examine 'Birches' as a poem describing an older man's yearning for the past.
- Discuss the Indian elements in the poem 'Obituary'
- Compare and contrast Wordsworth and Frost's attitude towards nature
- What are the moral lessons derived from the poem 'The Frog and the Nightingale'
