

B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2017
Semester-II
English
Course – H-3 (Core)
(Classical and Biblical Contexts)
(For Back Candidates)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value.

Answer question no. **1** and *any three* other questions.

1. a) Analyse the role of supporting characters in at least two of the epics you have studied.

or

- b) Are women given a particularly moral role in the epics you have read? Discuss with reference to at least two of them.
2. a) War in the *Iliad* is a contest of power and not of morals. Would you agree? Justify your answer.

or

- b) How does Homer represent Ulysses in the *Odyssey*?
3. Compare the roles of Anchises and the Sibyl in the *Aeneid*, Book VI.
4. Comment on the treatment of marriage in the *Ramayana*.
5. Discuss the nature of the trial in the *Book of Job*.
6. What is the purpose of the gospels? Answer with special reference to the *Gospel of St. Mark*.
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