

B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2018
Semester-III
English
Paper- H-5 (Core)
(16th & 17th Century Literature)

(For Back candidates only)

Time: Three Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value

Answer Question No. 1 and *any three* from the rest

1. a) To what extent is the description 'Renaissance' justified when it comes to the cultural movements of the sixteenth century?

OR

- b) Write short notes on *any two* of the following:
revenge tragedy before *Hamlet*, *Venus and Adonis*, William Caxton, the advent of the term 'Metaphysical poetry', coterie readership, John Lyly.
2. a) Elizabethan sonnets politicise the love relationship. Explain.

OR

- b) How is the argument of a Shakespearean sonnet determined by its structure? Discuss.
3. Discuss the ending of *As You Like It*.
4. Would you consider *Doctor Faustus* to be a tragic hero? Give reasons for your answer.
5. Is it possible to treat Bacon's *Essays, Civil and Moral* as a conduct book? Justify your answer.
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