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**First Semester M.A. Degree (CBSS-Supple. (One Time Mercy Chance)/Imp.)**  
**Examination, October 2023**  
**(2016 to 2022 Admissions)**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE**

**ENG1 C01 : British Literature : Chaucer to Seventeenth Century**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **any four** essays choosing at least **one** from **each** Section not exceeding **350** words **each**.

**SECTION – A**

- 1) Trace the influence of Renaissance on Elizabethan literature.

OR

- 2) Comment on the salient features of Romantic Comedy.

**SECTION – B**

- 3) Critically analyze "A Valediction Forbidding Mourning".

OR

- 4) Examine the concept of time in "To His Coy Mistress" and "To the Virgins to Make Much of Time".

**SECTION – C**

- 5) Examine the stylistic features of Bacon's essay.

OR

- 6) Analyze *The Blazing World* as a feminist text.

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**SECTION – D**

- 7) Critically examine *Hamlet* as a Revenge Tragedy.

OR

- 8) Examine *The Way of the World* as a typical Restoration Comedy. **(10×4=40)**

- II. Answer **any four** of the following annotation passages in about **80** words.

- 9) Thus great with child to speak and helpless in my throes,  
 Biting my truant pen, beating myself for spite,  
 "Fool," said my Muse to me, "look in thy heart, and write."

- 10) Time doth transfix the flourish set on youth  
 And delves the parallels in beauty's brow,  
 Feeds on the rarities of nature's truth,  
 And nothing stands but for his scythe to mow:  
 And yet to times in hope my verse shall stand,  
 Praising thy worth, despite his cruel hand.

- 11) So forth those joyous birds did pass along,  
 Adown the Lee, that to them murmured low,  
 As he would speak, but that he lacked a tongue,  
 Yet did by signs his glad affection show,  
 Making his stream run slow.

- 12) Let us roll all our strength and all  
 Our sweetness up into one ball,  
 And tear our pleasures with rough strife  
 Through the iron gates of life:  
 Thus, though we cannot make our sun  
 Stand still, yet we will make him run



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- 13) But we by a love so much refined,  
 That our selves know not what it is,  
 Inter-assured of the mind,  
 Care less, eyes, lips, and hands to miss.

- 14) Not marble nor the gilded monuments  
 Of princes shall outlive this powerful rhyme,  
 But you shall shine more bright in these contents  
 Than unswept stone besmeared with sluttish time.

**(4×5=20)**

- III. Answer **any four** of the following paragraph question in about **100** words **each**.

- 15) Coronation ceremony in "Mac Flecknoe".  
 16) The Character of Lady Wishfort.  
 17) Portrayal of Utopian society in *The Description of a New World Called the Blazing World*.  
 18) Katherine Philips's depiction of marital life in "A Married State".  
 19) The Temptation Scene in Book IX of *Paradise Lost*.  
 20) Significance of the grave digger scene in *Hamlet*.

**(4×5=20)**