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**M.A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2016**

**SEMESTER - 1: ENGLISH**

**COURSE: 16P1ENGT01 : CHAUCER AND THE ROOTS OF ENGLISH**

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

**Part A**

**I.** Answer **any SIX** of the following, each in a paragraph of about 50 words:-

1. Name the eight branches of parent Indo European family.
2. Old English Dialects.
3. Interludes
4. Black Death
5. The physical appearance of the prioress.
6. Ralph Roister Doister.
7. Wars of the Roses.
8. Anglo Saxon Chronicle.
9. Verner's Law.

(3 x 6 = 18)

**Part B**

**II.** Write short essays of about 100 words on **any FIVE** of the following:-

10. Front Mutation
11. Gender in Old English Grammar.
12. Morality plays.
13. Caxton's printing press and its impact on English language.
14. King James' Bible
15. The military expeditions of the knight.
16. Inkhorn terms
17. Mort de Arthur.

(6 x 5 = 30)

**Part C**

**III.** Write essays of about 350 words on **any TWO** of the following, choosing one from each group:-

**Group A**

18. Grimm's Law as a characteristic feature of the Germanic Family of languages.
19. Chaucer's portrayal of his contemporary society in his Prologue to the Canterbury Tales.

(12 x 1 = 12)

**Group B**

20. Give an overview of the major poets and verse works of Old and Middle English literature.

21. Impact of Reformation on English language and literature.

(15 x 1 = 15)

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