

B. A DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION : OCTOBER 2022
SEMESTER 5 : ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE MODEL - I
COURSE : 19U5SCREN07 : ACTS ON THE STAGE
(For Regular - 2020 Admission)

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

Answer All (1 mark each)

1. How does Cordelia suffer in King Lear?
2. Why is the family disturbed and disappointed in the play *The Intruder*?
3. What theme is advanced by the gouging out of Gloucester's eyes?
4. Who are Paul and Oliver?
5. What mission does Kent ask the Gentleman to complete?
6. What purpose does the character Curan serve in King Lear?
7. What is the name of the eldest daughter in the play *The Intruder*.
8. Who is Luka?
9. What does the man do when a Shakespearean quote is mentioned?
10. Why does the dark lady knock the man and the cloaked lady?

(1 x 10 = 10)

PART B

Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

11. What does the Fool criticize in his statement to Lear , "thou shouldst not have been old till thou hadst been wise"?
12. What happens in the garden in the play *The Intruder*.
13. How does Lear's remark "I am a man more sinn'd against than sinning" reflect his mental agony?
14. "He is like a wax doll." Who is referred to in the dialogue and why is the person described so?
15. Describe the weather mentioned in the play *The Intruder*. How is it associated with the theme of the play?
16. How does the following comment by Edmund reinforce the idea of human responsibility versus fate: "The wheel has come full circle; I am here"?
17. What does Popova tell about her experiences with her husband?
18. What does the uncle mean by 'mistaken kindness'?
19. Comment on the relationship between the grandfather and the grand-daughters in the play *The Intruder*.
20. Goneril's threat to send fifty of Lear's knights away created a significant dilemma. Why?

(2 x 8 = 16)

PART C

Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

21. Analyse the character , Gloucester from King Lear.
22. Prepare an analysis of the language used by the character Lear in the play, King Lear.
23. How does order breakdown in Britain in the play , King Lear?
24. Comment on the change in attitude of Popova and Smirnov..

25. Comment on the character of William Shakespeare in the play *The Dark Lady of the Sonnets*.
26. Comment on the character of the dark lady in the play *The Dark Lady of the Sonnets*.
27. Evaluate the metaphor of blindness in King Lear.

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

28. The Archetypal quality of King Lear is enhanced by the Biblical Parables; The Prodigal Son and The Book of Job. Explain.
29. Examine the social hierarchies visible in the play *The Bear*.
30. How do you justify the argument that in spite of the strong opposition between Anthony and Roberts, they are “brothers in spirit”?
31. Assess the character of King Lear as a tragic hero.

(12 x 2 = 24)