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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **ENGLISH**

FIFTH SEMESTER - APRIL 2022

UEL 5503 - SHAKESPEARE

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Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

Part A

I. Explain the following with reference to the context in about 50 words: (10x2=20)

- 1. How many fond fools serve mad jealousy!
- 2. Every why hath a wherefore
- 3. As strange unto your town as to your talk.
- 4. O time's extremity / Hast thou so cracked and splitted my poor tongue / In seven short years
- 5. We came into the world like brother and brother, / And now let's go hand in hand, not one before another.
- 6. Let me tell you, Cassius, you yourself / Are much condemn'd to have an itching palm; / To sell and mart your offices for gold / To undeservers.
- 7. Cowards die many times before their deaths; / The valiant never taste of death but once.
- 8. She dreamt tonight she saw my statue, / Which, like a fountain with an hundred spouts, / Did run pure blood.
- 9. He hath brought many captives home to Rome, / Whose ransoms did the general coffers fill: / Did this in Caesar seem ambitious?
- 10. This was the most unkindest cut of all.

Part B

II. Answer any FOUR of the following in about 250 words:

(4x10=40)

- 11. Explain how Shakespeare's plays portrayed the socio-political scenario of the Elizabethan age.
- 12. Discuss how *The Comedy of Errors* presents Shakespeare as an amateur
- 13. Distinguish the characteristics of the three sisters in *King Lear*.
- 14. Illustrate how the supernatural elements of the storm scene in the play, *King Lear*, powerfully expressed the trauma of the king.
- 15. Critically comment on the rhetorical techniques used by both Brutus and Mark Antony in their funeral speech for Caesar.
- 16. Explain how Shakespeare employs the theme of revenge in his play, *The Tempest*.
- 17. Comment on the supernatural elements employed in the play, *The Tempest*.

Part C

II. Answer the following in about 500 words:

(2x20=40)

18. "Women in Shakespeare's comedies are wittier than in his tragedies." Justify the statement with regard to the plays, *The Comedy of Errors* and *Julius Caesar*.

Or

Justify the statement of Harold Bloom, "Shakespeare's magnificence at the art of comedy" with regard to the play, 'The Comedy of Errors".

19. "The conspirators looked at Julius Caesar as a tyrant and political rival, whereas the people found him as their saviour and supporter." Substantiate your answer with factual and textual references.

Or

"Mistakes and assumptions; coincidences and circumstances; misinterpretations and misreadings lead to either tragic or comic endings." Illustrate the statement with regard to the plays, *Julius Caesar* and *The Comedy of Errors*.

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