

June 2022
M. A. II Semester Examination

ENGLISH LITERATURE
PAPER IV : PROSE

Time 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : Regular 85 / Private 100

[Min. Marks : Regular 28 / Private 33

Note : This question paper is meant for all Regular and Private students. Answer all five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The blind candidates will be given 60 minutes extra time.

1. Attempt any two annotations out of the following :

(a) Honoured Sir,

Knowing that you was (were) my old master's good friend, I could not forbear sending you the melancholy news of his death, which has afflicted the whole country, as well as his poor Servants, who loved him.

(b) In that courtly species of composition, no man excelled Dr. Johnson – Though the loftiness of his mind prevented him from ever dedicating in his own person, he wrote a very great number of Dedications for others.

(c) I have known him profess himself a man-hater, while his cheek was glowing with compassions, and while his looks were softened into pity. I have heard him use the language of the most unbounded ill-nature He takes as much pains to hide his feelings as any hypocrite would to conceal his indifference;

(d) It is in the small matters of conduct, in the observance of the rule of the road, that we pass judgement upon ourselves and declare that we are civilized or uncivilized.

2. How did Boswell perceive Dr. Johnson in his Biography ? Elaborate.

OR

Discuss, salient feature of the essays of Joseph Addison.

3. Write a critical appreciation of Goldsmith's essay, 'The Man in Black'.

OR

Write an essay on autobiographical element in Lamb's 'Dream Children'.

4. Gardiner's essays are lovable and delightful to read, elucidate with reference to the essays in the syllabus.

OR

Discuss, chief characteristics of Robert Lynd's essays focusing on "Back to the Desk" and "Forgetting".

5. Chesterton created most memorable literature through his language. Do you agree ? Elaborate.

OR

Belloc's essays, are marked by clarity and wit. Elaborate.