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B. A. (Sem. I) Examination

November / December – 2013

English (Main) : C. C. - 101

(Introduction to English Literature)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Total Marks : 70

1 (a) Give reasons for studying literature. 14

OR

(b) What are the essential qualities of good literature ? 14

2 (a) What are the outstanding characteristics of The Age of Chaucer ? 14

OR

(b) Estimate Chaucer's contribution to Fourteenth Century English literature. 14

3 (a) " 'The Knight's Tale' is a medieval romance written after the age of romances was over" – Estimate. 14

OR

(b) Compare and contrast the characters of Palamon and Arcite as revealed in 'The Knight's Tale'. 14

4 Show your acquaintance with the following writers in brief : (any four) 14

- (i) John Dryden
- (ii) William Golding
- (iii) G. B. Shaw
- (iv) John Ruskin
- (v) Dr. Johnson
- (vi) Charles Dickens.

5 Answer the following questions very briefly :

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(any seven)

- (i) What is literature ?
 - (ii) Mention four purposes for studying literature ?
 - (iii) What does R.J. Rees mean by Technical skill ?
 - (iv) When did the Peasants' revolt break out ?
What was at its root ?
 - (v) Mention total number of pilgrims in 'The
Canterbury Tales' ? Name the Inn where the
pilgrims met.
 - (vi) Mention two contemporaries of Chaucer.
 - (vii) Whom did Theseus defeat in Thebes ? Whom
did he bring with him from Thebes ?
 - (viii) Who is Emily ? How does she come to Athens ?
 - (ix) Who won the Tournament ? Who married
Emily in the end ?
 - (x) When and where was Henry Fielding born ?
 - (xi) Enlist Shakespeare's great chronicle plays.
 - (xii) Which literary form was attempted by
Richardson ? Which were his most famous
works ?
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