St. Claret College

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UG END SEMESTER EXAMINATION- DECEMBER 2024 BA – I SEMESTER

EL 124: INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH LITERATURE

TIME: 3 hours

MAX. MARKS: 80

This paper contains TWO printed pages and THREE parts

Instructions:

- 1. Verify and ensure that the question paper is completely printed.
- 2. Any discrepancies or questions about the exam paper must be reported to the COE within 1 hour after the examination.
- 3. Students must check the course title and course code before answering the questions.

PART-A

I. Answer ONE question. Each answer carries TEN marks.

[1x10=10]

- 1. Define literature and describe the role it plays in society today.
- 2. Describe the importance of studying Literature.

II. Write a short note on any ONE. Each answer carries FIVE marks.

[1x5=5]

- 3. Literature and Life.
- 4. Literature and Society.

PART-B

III. Answer any TWO questions. Each answer carries TEN marks.

[2x10=20]

- 5. Identify the features of a metaphysical poem from *The Flea* by John Donne.
- **6.** Examine the major themes of the poem, *Song of a Dream*.
- 7. In the poem, Sailing to Byzantium, the themes of mortality and immortality are developed. Justify.

IV. Write a short note on any ONE. Each answer carries FIVE marks.

[1x5=5]

- **8.** Is the *Poems on Life* a song of life, love and death? Substantiate.
- 9. What does Rose and Lily symbolize in the poem, Love Came to Flora Asking for a Flower?

PART-C

V. Answer any TWO questions. Each answer carries TEN marks.

[2x10=20]

- 10. Discuss the theme of fate versus free will in *The Monkey's Paw*.
- 11. Analyze the theme of cultural clash in *Things Fall Apart*.
- 12. Discuss the portrayal of masculinity and its impact on Okonkwo's character in *Things Fall Apart*.

VI. Answer any FOUR questions. Each answer carries FIVE marks.

[4x5=20]

- 13. How does Ladyland in Sultana's Dream challenge traditional gender roles?
- 14. Explain the significance of science and technology in Sultana's Dream.
- 15. Chandu, the barber challenges social norms in *The Barber's Trade Union*. Justify.
- 16. What role does the trade union play in the transformation of Chandu's life?
- 17. Examine the significance of the mirror in Dr. Heidegger's study?
- **18.** Assess the effectiveness of Dr. Heidegger's experiment in conveying his intended lesson to his guests. Do you believe his approach was successful? Why or why not?
