

P.G. 1st Semester - 2016

ENGLISH

(CBCS)

Paper : 106

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

GROUP-A

1. Answer any one of the following questions:

10×1=10

- a) "Frankenstein is one of the relatively few novels that have transcended classic status to become a phenomenon" – Amy Watkin. Justify this statement.
- b) How has the psycho-biographical element of Mary Shelley's life influenced the novel Frankenstein?
- c) Attempt an essay on the theme of intermarriage as it is seen full circle in Emma.

2. Answer any two of the following questions:

5×2=10

- a) Cite one critical response of twenty-first century in respect of Frankenstein.
- b) Why is it so important for Frankenstein and the creature to be alone?
- c) Cite one example of comic paradox as it is depicted in Emma.
- d) Why does Emma initially set herself against social mobility?
- e) What is the bearing of the Sub-title of the novel Frankenstein on the main theme?

GROUP-B

3. Answer any one of the following questions:

10×1=10

- a) How does Lamb mingle facts and fiction in his essay "Dream Children: A Reverie"?
- b) Write a brief essay on the use of wit and humour in Lamb's essay 'The Two Races of Men'.
- c) Briefly comment on Wollstonecraft's views on women education as portrayed in A Vindication of the Rights of Women.

4. Answer any two of the followings: $5 \times 2 = 10$
- a) "We are not of Alice, nor of thee, nor are we children at all." – Explain.
 - b) "He did it by force of an aphorism, which he had often in his month, that money kept longer than three days stinks." – Explain.
 - c) "We are nothing; less than nothing and dreams." – Explain.
 - d) "He is the true Propontic which never ebbereth! The sea which taketh handsomely at each man's hand." – Explain.
 - e) How does De Quincey describe the pleasures of opium in Part II of Confessions of an English Opium Eater?
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