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Semester 4 Tutorial Topics (Arts)

English (Major/Hons)

DSC 5 (5 marks for viva)

Answer any one of the following questions:

Do not exceed 900 words.

- Would you agree that the gothic tropes deployed in *The Hound of the Baskervilles* undermine the detective story's confident endorsement of science and reason? Give reasons for your answer.
- 2. Ambiguity and Wordplay in Lewis Carroll's Through the Looking Glass.

Or

Comment on the representation of an alternate universe in *Through the Looking Glass*.

3. Friendship and Camaraderie in Tintin in Tibet.

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Would you consider *Tintin in Tibet* to be a graphic novel? Give reasons for your answer.

4. The underlying politics of nonsense literature, with reference to *Abol Tabol*.

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Critically examine the tactics of Sukumar Ray's nonsense rhyme with reference to any two of his poems.

DSC 6 (5 marks for viva)

Answer any one of the following.

- 1. Examine 'Another Community' by R. K. Narayan as a critique of communal violence.
- 2. Write a critical analysis of 'Enterprise' by Nissim Ezekiel.
- 3. Discuss the depiction of social problems in Rajmohan's Wife.

DSC 7 (5 marks for viva)



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Attempt any one of the following:

20 marks

- 1. "Our love shall live, and later life renew." Analyze Spenser's Amoretti LXXV ('One Day I wrote her name...') as a love poem.
- 2. Critically discuss Marvell's use of conceits in 'To His Coy Mistress'
- 3. Attempt an analysis of Satan's character in *Paradise Lost, Book I*, with reference to any two speeches by Satan.
- 4. Pope's *The Rape of the Lock* offers a critique of eighteenth century English high society Do you agree? Discuss.
- 5. Comment on Blake's use of imagery in 'The Tyger' and 'The Lamb' to portray a single, complex divinity that is both benevolent and formidable.

DSC 8 (5 marks for viva)

Group A

Attempt any one of the following: 15 (within 800 words)

- Write an essay on the significance of the supernatural elements in *Macbeth*.
 Or,
 - What images does Shakespeare use in *Macbeth* to bring out its major themes?
- 2. Comment on the success of *The Way of the World* as a Comedy of Manners. Or.
 - Briefly narrate the role of some minor characters in Congreve's The Way of the World.
- 3. Write a critical note on the element of humour in Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

Or,

Compare and contrast the characters of Algernon and Jack.



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4. What major symbols does Osborne use in *Look Back in Anger*? Explain. Or,

Write an essay on the significance of the title of Osborne's Look Back in Anger.

Group B

Attempt any one of the following: 5 (within 200 words)

- 1. Do you think that the expression 'fair is foul, foul is fair' explains the moral thrust of the play, *Macbeth*?
- 2. Write a brief note on Mirabell as a reformed rake.
- 3. What is 'Bunburying', according to Algernon?
- 4. How effective is Cliff in *Look Back in Anger* as the no-man's land between Jimmy and Alison?

English (MDC -4-4) American Literature

1. Answer any one of the following questions from Question 1: (12)

- a) Comment on the implications of the Holocaust imagery in Sylvia Plath's 'Daddy'.
- b) Walt Whitman's 'O Captain! My Captain' simultaneously represents a moment of triumph and as well as tragedy by allegorizing a critical moment in the nation's history. — Comment critically.
- c) Assess the effectiveness of the imagery in Robert Frost's 'After Apple Picking'.

2. Answer any one of the following questions:

(13)

- a) Discuss Death of a Salesman as a social and personal tragedy.
- b) Discuss C. Auguste Dupin as the prototype of the detective figure with special reference to his methodology in 'The Purloined Letter'.
- c) Examine the theme of polarization and community unrest in 'Dry September'.
- d) "Most of Hemingway's novels emphasize what men cannot do, and define the world's limitations, cruelties, or built-in evil. *The Old Man and the Sea* is remarkable for its stress on what men can do and on the world as an arena where heroic deeds are



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possible."— Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer with reference to Santiago's brutal confrontation with the agents of a hostile universe.

(MDC -5-4) British Poetry

Attempt any two questions: (12.5+12.5)

- Write an essay on the conflict between transience and permanence in Shakespeare's Sonnet 18.
- 2. Comment on the significance of 'The Lamb' as a representative poem of *The Songs of Innocence*.
- 3. Attempt a critical note on sensuousness in Keats's 'Bright Star' sonnet.
- 4. Is 'Porphyria's Lover' a study in abnormal psychology? Substantiate.
- 5. Write a critical appreciation of Yeats's 'Wild Swans at Coole'.

English Minor (for Major/Hons and MDC)

Answer any one question from the following. (25)

- 1. Comment on Bacon's prose style with reference to his essay 'Of Studies'.
- 2. Comment on the theme of Imperialism in Orwell's 'Shooting an Elephant'.
- 3. Discuss Lamb's use of autobiographical elements in 'Dream Children: A Reverie'.
- 4. Discuss the effect of the tragedy on Shoba and Shukumar in 'A Temporary Matter'.
- 5. Critically analyze the significance of the title 'Araby' by James Joyce.



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Political Science

Write on the following topics within 1000 words and submit it to pccpolsc@gmail.com

Paper:

Full Marks: 25

- MPLS-MD-CC-4-4: Indian Political Thought I & MDC-MN-4: Indian Political Thought – I
- 1. Discuss the relationship between Kautilya's Dandaniti and Diplomacy.
- ১। কৌটিল্যের দণ্ডনীতি এবং কূটনীতির মধ্যে সম্পর্ক আলোচনা করো।
 - MPLS-MD-CC-5-4: Public Administration: Concepts, Theories
- 1. Discuss the impact of Globalization on Governance (especially since 1990s).
- ১। শাসনব্যবস্থার উপর বিশ্বায়নের প্রভাব আলোচনা করুন (বিশেষ করে ১৯৯০ সাল থেকে)।
 - MDC-MN-2 Constitutional Government in India
- 1. Discuss the relationship between fundamental rights and directive principles in India.
- ১। ভারতে মৌলিকি অধিকার এবং নির্দেশমূলক নীতির মধ্যে সম্পর্ক আলোচনা করা।
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History

Tutorial Project Topics

1. Course Name: Social Formations and Cultural Patterns of the Ancient World Other Than India

Course: MN (Minor for Mahor and MDC) -2

Topic: "How Athenian Democracy Worked"

2. Course Name: History of India (1206-1526)

Course: MDC CC-5

Topic: "Iltutmish: The Real Builder of the Delhi Sultanate"

3. Course Name: History of Europe (c.1453–1650)

Course: MDC CC-4

Topic: "Martin Luther's 95 Theses and the Beginning of the Reformation "

Economics

A: Macroeconomics I (Minor)

Topics for Presentation & Viva (Select any one topic)

- 1. Value Added Method of National Income Accounting
- 2. Income Determination in Simple Keynesian Model



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- 3. Fisher's Quantity Theory of Money
- 4. Demand Pull Inflation vs Cost Push Inflation

B: Sustainable Development (CC1/CC2)

Topics for Presentation & Viva (Select any one topic)

- 1. Meaning of Sustainable Development
- 2. Renewable vs Non-Renewable Resources
- 3. Private Property Resources vs Common Property Resources
- 4. Impacts of Climate Change

C: Indian Economics I (CC1/CC2)

Topics for Presentation & Viva (Select any one topic)

- 1. Right to Education Act, 2009
- 2. The role of Five-Year Planning in Economic Development
- 3. Economic Reforms 1991
- 4. Current Situation of Poverty in India



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