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**NO-116**

**December-2015**

**M.A., Sem.-I**

**401 : English**

**(History of English Literature – 1500-1660)**

**Time : 3 Hours]**

**[Max. Marks : 70**

- Instructions :** (1) Attempt **all** questions.  
(2) **All** questions carry equal marks.

1. (a) “Shakespearean tragedy is a story of exceptional calamity leading to the death of a man in high estate.” Justify.

**OR**

- (b) “King Lear has been described as Shakespeare’s greatest work, the best of his plays.” Do you agree ? Give reasons for your answer.

2. (a) Trace the development of classical epic tradition in West.

**OR**

- (b) “The undertones of the human situation make the appeal of Paradise Lost.” – Elaborate.

3. Write notes on any **two** :

- (1) Dr. Faustus  
(2) The Faerie Queene  
(3) Volpone  
(4) Spanish Tragedy

4. Tick mark the correct option :

- (1) Shakespeare had established \_\_\_\_\_ Theatre.  
(a) Elizabethan (b) Globe  
(c) Art (d) World
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_ was contemporary dramatist of Shakespeare.  
(a) Dr. Johnson (b) Ben Jonson  
(c) Thomas Nasche (d) Spenser

- (3) King Lear was published in \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) 1608 (b) 1609  
 (c) 1610 (d) 1620
- (4) Shakespeare introduces \_\_\_\_\_ characters in his tragedies.  
 (a) Super-natural (b) Flat  
 (c) Absurd (d) Romantic
- (5) A.C. Bradley was professor at \_\_\_\_\_ University.  
 (a) Cambridge (b) Oxford  
 (c) Toronto (d) Calgary
- (6) \_\_\_\_\_ was Cordelia's husband.  
 (a) The Duke of Albany (b) The Duke of Cronwell  
 (c) King of France (d) King of Britain
- (7) King Lear is divided into \_\_\_\_\_ Acts.  
 (a) five (b) seven  
 (c) two (d) six
- (8) \_\_\_\_\_ was Lear's Loyal Courtier.  
 (a) Gloucester (b) Oswald  
 (c) Edger (d) Edmond
- (9) The epic began as an \_\_\_\_\_ form.  
 (a) Folk (b) Oral  
 (c) Narrative (d) Religious
- (10) The epic Divine Comedy is written by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) Homer (b) Virgil  
 (c) Valmiki (d) Dante
- (11) \_\_\_\_\_ critic used the term "grand style".  
 (a) William Blake (b) Coleridge  
 (c) Matthew Arnold (d) Dr. Johnson
- (12) Paradise Lost is written in \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) blank verse (b) free verse  
 (c) heroic couplet (d) rhyme couplet
- (13) Milton refers \_\_\_\_\_ astronomer in Paradise Lost.  
 (a) Galileo (b) Arya Bhatt  
 (c) Newton (d) Bhaskaracharya
- (14) \_\_\_\_\_ was known as "The prince of devils."  
 (a) Satan (b) Beelzebub  
 (c) Mephistophilis (d) Alexas

5. Answer in brief :

- (1) “Shakespearean tragedies are single stars.” Justify.
  - (2) Write a brief note on the role of chance and accident in Shakespearean tragedy.
  - (3) Comment on the ending of the play King Lear.
  - (4) Critically examine the significance of Invocation in Paradise Lost Book I.
  - (5) Attempt a brief character sketch of Cordelia.
  - (6) Mention the classical epics of the Western tradition.
  - (7) List the main characteristics of Milton’s poetic style.
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