

B.A. Sem.-1 Examination

EC-I-101

English

Time : 2-30 Hours]

December-2025

[Max. Marks : 70

Instructions: (1) Mention clearly the options you attempt.

(2) Figures to the right indicate marks.

Q 1 (A) Discuss, in detail, the qualities of good literature. (14)

OR

Q 1 (B) What are the reasons for studying literature? Discuss them in detail.

Q 2 (A) Define lyric as a form of poetry and discuss its significant characteristics. (14)

OR

Q 2 (B) Evaluate the ode as a literary form. Discuss the types of the ode.

Q 3 (A) Appreciate critically the sonnet "Remembrance". (14)

OR

Q 3 (B) Discuss how John Keats praises autumn's beauty in the poem "Ode to Autumn".

Q 4 Write brief notes on the following literary terms. (ANY SEVEN) (14)

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| (1) Blank Verse | (2) Couplet | (3) Genre |
| (4) Imagery | (5) Meter | (6) Rhyme |
| (7) Stanza | (8) Style | (9) Symbol |

Q 5 Choose the correct option and answer the following: (ANY SEVEN) (14)

1. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of literature?

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| (A) permanence | (B) originality |
| (C) brevity | (D) universality |

2. Which of the following aspects are necessary for a good writer?

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| (A) good handwriting and peace | (B) excellent memory and intelligence |
| (C) general knowledge and wisdom | (D) technical skill and craftsmanship |

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3. The lyric was sung by a single voice to the accompaniment of a _____.
- (A) lyre (B) sitar
(C) piano (D) harmonium
4. The Elizabethan lyrics are known for their _____.
- (A) style (B) rhythm
(C) word music (D) subjects
5. The Ode is often in the form of an _____.
- (A) invocation (B) invitation
(C) address (D) inspiration
6. The structure of the Dorian Ode was borrowed from the movements of the _____.
- (A) musicians (B) actors
(C) players (D) dancers
7. How many lines are there in the sonnet?
- (A) twelve (B) fourteen
(C) eight (D) twenty
8. The two parts of ^{the} sonnet are called _____.
- (A) the rhyme and the rhythm (B) the verse and the meter
(C) the strophe and the anti-strophe (D) the octave and the sestet
9. The Italian sonnet is also known as the _____.
- (A) Petrarchan Sonnet (B) Horatian Sonnet
(C) Shakespearean Sonnet (D) Miltonic Sonnet
10. Which of the financial term is NOT used in the poem "Remembrance"?
- (A) losses (B) debt
(C) account (D) expense

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11. What tone best describes the overall mood of the poem "Ode to Autumn"?

- (A) Angry and rebellious
- (B) Melancholic and bitter
- (C) Calm and reflective
- (D) Anxious and urgent

12. Which of the following is NOT a theme of the poem "Ode to Autumn"?

- (A) love
- (B) death
- (C) nature
- (D) innocence and experience

13. Where is the plowman going in the poem "Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard"?

- (A) fields
- (B) town
- (C) hospital
- (D) village

14. In "Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard" the poet emphasises the _____.

- (A) equalizing nature of death
- (B) shallowness of family life
- (C) laziness of the rural poor
- (D) generosity of the village folk

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