

Seat No. : \_\_\_\_\_

**XU-102**

**April-2013**

**B.A. (Sem.-II) (CBCS)**

**English EC-II-112**

**Time : 3 Hours]**

**[Max. Marks : 70**

- Instructions :** (1) Mention clearly the options you attempt.  
(2) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

1. (a) Write the story of the play 'The Tempest' in your own words. **10**

**OR**

Draw a character sketch of Rosalind.

- (b) Write the story of 'King Lear' briefly. **10**

**OR**

Discuss 'Macbeth' as a tragedy.

2. Write short notes on any **two** : **10**

- (a) Othello  
(b) Portia  
(c) Hamlet  
(d) Viola

3. Give brief answers for the following questions (any **three**) : **6**

- (1) Explain the seven stages of Men, according to Shakespeare.  
(2) Give a brief account of Prospero.  
(3) Why did Othello kill Desdemona ?  
(4) Give a brief account of Shylock.  
(5) How was Antonio saved from the clutches of Shylock ?

## 4. Fill in the gaps :

- (1) The banished Duke and his followers went to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) Forest of Amazon
  - (b) Forest of Arden
  - (c) Forest of Eden
  
- (2) Othello was deceived by the jealous friend \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) Cassio
  - (b) Iago
  - (c) Roderigo
  
- (3) King Duncan was murdered by his \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) Enemy
  - (b) Son
  - (c) Relative
  
- (4) Hamlet's beloved is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) Ophelia
  - (b) Viola
  - (c) Celia
  
- (5) King Lear loved his daughter \_\_\_\_\_ the most.
  - (a) Goneril
  - (b) Regan
  - (c) Cordelia
  
- (6) Hamlet's \_\_\_\_\_ appears as a ghost in the beginning of the play.
  - (a) Mother
  - (b) Father
  - (c) Uncle

5. (a) (i) Write an essay on any **one** of the following :

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(1) Mobile-its uses and abuses.

(2) The game I love the most.

(3) Pollution

(ii) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below : 7

Socrates, the great Greek Philosopher, tried hard to control himself and was resolved never to make a show of his temper. He believed that an angry man was more of a beast than a human being. He had a wife who used to lose her temper on the slightest excuse and tried her utmost to irritate the cool and calm philosopher. One day the woman became more furious than ever and began to insult Socrates. Socrates not to be put out and to leave her alone went and sat on the door-step of his house, looking out on the public street. The wife finding that Socrates was not paying the least heed to her loud scolding, went up to him and emptied a pot full of water over him. The passerby in the street were much amused at the incident and Socrates joined with them in their laughter and remarked, "I was expecting this : after thunder comes the rain."

**Questions :**

(1) What did Socrates think of any angry man ?

(2) What type of wife Socrates had ?

(3) What did she do to make him angry ?

(4) Why did she empty the pot of water over him ?

(5) What was the remark of Socrates ?

(6) Give a suitable title to the passage.

(7) Give meanings of :

(a) restrain

(b) annoy

- (b) (i) Write a press report on any **one** of the following : 7
- (a) The Train Accident
  - (b) Drought
  - (c) An Earthquake
- (ii) Write a movie review on a film you have recently seen. 7
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