

2022

3rd Semester Examination

ENGLISH (Honours)

Paper : C 5-T

[British Literature : 19th Century 1832-1900]

[CBCS]



Full Marks : 60

Time : Three Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates are required to give their answers  
in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group - A**

Answer any **ten** of the following questions :  $2 \times 10 = 20$

1. What are the 'Happy Isles' mentioned by Ulysses?  
Which hero does he expect to meet there?
2. Who is Telemachus? How is Ulysses different from him?
3. What are the meanings of 'ford' and 'the burn'?
4. Give two salient features of dramatic monologue.
5. What does 'Neptune...../Taming a sea-horse' stand for?
6. What motivated Louisa's visit to Stephen?

7. What is meant by "moon-blanch'd land"?
8. "To follow knowledge like a sinking star," — Explain the simile in the given line.
9. What does Dickens mean by "Bounderby's absolute power"?
10. What does Ulysses mean by "rainy Hyades"?
11. "My soul/Smoothed itself out, a long-cramped scroll" — What does the speaker mean here?
12. What is the motive behind Mrs. Sparsit's spying on James Harthouse and Louisa Bounderby?
13. "The petty done, the undone vast," — Who is the speaker? What does this line suggest?
14. What is meant by "the sea of faith"?
15. Name two circus people in *Hard Times*.

### Group - B

Answer any *four* of the following questions :  $5 \times 4 = 20$

16. "To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield". — Explain this line.
17. Comment on the last stanza of Arnold's poem "Dover Beach".
18. Write a note on the autocratic nature of the Duke in Browning's poem "My Last Duchess".

19. "The instant made eternity," — Comment.
20. What is the role of Mr. Sleary in Dicken's *Hard Times*?
21. How is Gradgrind's theory of education attacked in *Hard Times*?

### Group - C

Answer any *two* of the following questions :  $10 \times 2 = 20$

22. Consider Tennyson's "Ulysses" as a representative Victorian poem.
23. The theme of Browning's "The Last Ride Together" is one of robust optimism. Discuss.
24. It has been observed that Arnold's poetry lovers between doubt and faith. Discuss with reference to "Dover Beach".
25. What is the significance of the title of Dicken's novel *Hard Times*? Discuss.