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M. A. (English) – (P) 2017-2018**

Course I: Survey of British Literature

ASSIGNMENT – 1

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15
Min. Marks: 6

Section A

- 1) Write an Essay on the Renaissance Drama.
- 2) Write a short note on
 - a) Renaissance Movement and Drama
 - b) Bacon's style, giving illustrations from the text you have studied.

Section B

- 3) What, according to Johnson, are the merits of Shakespeare?
- 4) Write a short note on the
 - a) use of satire in Dryden's "Absalom and Achitophel"
 - b) Comedy of Manners.

ASSIGNMENT – 2

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15
Min. Marks: 6

Section A

- 1) Discuss the major developments of the Victorian Age?
- 2) Write a short note on
 - a) Rosetti's poetic style
 - b) Post War Fiction

Section B

- 3) Discuss T. S. Eliot as a modern poet.
- 4) Write a short note on
 - a) Stream of Consciousness
 - b) Yeats' concept of history and culture



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Course II: American Literature

ASSIGNMENT – 1

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Min. Marks: 6

Section A

- 1) What is the broad theme of American Literature.
- 2) Discuss the major themes of Native American Literature.

Section B

- 3) Write a short note on
 - a) Poe's Short Stories.
 - b) the picaresque elements in *Huckleberry Finn*
- 4) Discuss Frost's philosophy and show its relevance to poetry.

ASSIGNMENT – 2

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15
Min. Marks: 6

Section A

- 1) What are the chief themes of Emily Dickinson.
- 2) Trace the development of American drama upto the end of the Civil War.

Section B

- 3) Write a brief note on
 - a) technical devices employed by Arthur Miller in *Death of a Salesman*.
 - b) Jewish Writing.
- 4) Write a note on the African American Literature.



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Course III: English in India

ASSIGNMENT – 1

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Min. Marks: 6

Section A

- 1) What was the curriculum for teaching English in colonial India?
- 2) What is the impact of the grant-in-aid system?

Section B

- 3) What are the recommendations of the Zakir Hussain Committee?
- 4) What are the major recommendations of the Secondary Education Commission appointed under the chairmanship of Dr. Mudaliar?

ASSIGNMENT – 2

Answer any two questions selecting one from each section

Marks: 15
Min. Marks: 6

Section A

- 1) What are the roles assigned to English in contemporary India.
- 2) What is globalization and what is its impact on communication?

Section B

- 3) Trace the relationship between language and culture with reference to the spread of the English language.
- 4) Write a note on English in Post-Independence India.