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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?

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- 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 maen 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.