NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2020

BEN53 — INTRODUCTION TO LITERARY CRITICISM

Time: Three hours Maximum: 75 marks

SECTION A — $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ marks})$

Answer ALL questions.

- 1. How does Plato attack poetry?
- 2. According to Aristotle, which of the following is not one of the six elements of the tragedy?
- 3. Which of the following literary styles did Philip Sydney make important contributions to?
- 4. Ben Johnson is a contemporary of which titan of English literature.
- 5. When was John Dryden served as a poet laureate?
- 6. Arabella Fermour was the historical inspiration for which character?
- 7. Which descriptions serves as a best characterizes to William Wordsworth?
- 8. Which poem's first draft was a letter to Sara?
- 9. In the poem "Desire" what does Matthew Arnold wish that humans be saved from?
- 10. Who considered Eliot's work to be 'a very great evil' and why?

SECTION B — $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$

Answer ALL questions.

11. (a) What is Plato's view on 'poetry' and the poet?

Or

- (b) Define six elements required for a successful tragedy?
- 12. (a) Why does Philip Sidney in 'An Apology for Poetry' shed light on the creator rather than on the creation?

Or

- (b) Analyse Ben Johnson's classicism.
- 13. (a) Who favours Greek drama in essay of Dramatic poesy?

Or

- (b) In Pope's essay for criticism, does he show himself to be a good critic?
- 14. (a) What are the similarities of Wordsworth and Coleridge?

Or

(b) What is Coleridge's Theory of imagination and his differentiation of imagination and fancy?

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15. (a) Explain Mathew Arnold's poetry as a glory of the vanished past.

Or

(b) According to Eliot's essay 'The function of Criticism' what are the tools and functions of criticism?

SECTION C — $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE questions.

- 16. How did the teaching methods of Plato and Aristotle differ?
- 17. How does Sir Philip Sydney's "An Apology for poetry" relate to Aristotle and plato?
- 18. Analyse Arnold's essay, "The function of criticism".
- 19. Write a short note on Coleridge's theory of imagination.
- 20. In what ways does 'The Function of Criticism at the present time' by Matthew Arnold represent Victorian literary criticism and the Victorian era?

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