

B.A. Semester - 5 (CBCS) Examination

Oct/Nov - 2025 (NEW COURSE)

ENG P14 History of English Literature - Victorian Age (1837 - 1900)(Core -14)

Time: 2:30 Hours

Marks:70

Instructions:

1. All questions are compulsory.
2. Figures to the right indicate marks.

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- Que.1** Explain the salient features of the Victorian age. (14)
OR
- Que.1** Discuss the contribution of Robert Browning in the field of the Victorian literature.
- Que.2** “Emily Bronte’s ‘Wuthering Heights’ marks a classic for its exploration of passionate love, revenge and the darker aspects of human nature.” Justify. (14)
OR
- Que.2** Explain What is a ‘great man theory’ pioneered by Thomas Carlyle and his contribution as an essayist.
- Que.3** What is the role of chance and coincident in Thomas Hardy’s ‘The Mayor of Casterbridge’? Explain in detail. (14)
OR
- Que.3** Can Thomas Hardy’s ‘The Mayor of Casterbridge’ be considered, as a tragedy of characters? How?
- Que.4** Comment on the plot construction of ‘The Mayor of Casterbridge’. (14)
OR
- Que.4** Write down the character sketch of Mr. Henchard portrayed in ‘The Mayor of Casterbridge’.
- Que.5** Write short notes. (Any Two) (14)
- 1) Lord Alfred Tennyson: A Poet Laureate
 - 2) Charles Dickens: A typical Victorian novelist
 - 3) Significance of title ‘The Mayor of Casterbridge’
 - 4) Lucetta Templeman
