

The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati
Royal School of Languages
M.A. English 1st semester
Semester End Examination, March 2022
Course Title: English Literary and Cultural History
Course Code: ENG104C101

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: Attempt all questions as per instructions given.
The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Section – A

1. Attempt **all** questions. (Maximum word limit 50) 2 x 8
- a. What is meant by Calvinism?
 - b. Mention a few characteristics of the English feudal system.
 - c. Write a short note on two important women writers and their literary works in the seventeenth century.
 - d. Who were the pioneers of the English novel? Mention a few of their important literary works.
 - e. How are industrial revolution and literature related?
 - f. How are spread of British Empire and English literature related?
 - g. When did (time span) the two world wars take place that impacted modern literature?
 - h. What is Postmodernism?

Section – B

2. Attempt **any one** of the following: 12 x 1
- a. Write a detailed note on the origin and development of Renaissance in Italy and England.
 - b. Who were the pioneers of the Protestant Reformation in England? Discuss the factors that led to the origin and growth of the movement.
3. Attempt **any two** of the following: 7x 2
- a. Discuss the factors that led to the rise of novel as a literary genre in English literature.
 - b. Write a detailed note on the women writers of the seventeenth century and their significant literary works.
 - c. How did the Enlightenment period influence English literature? Discuss in detail the significant ideas dealt with in Enlightenment literature.
4. Attempt **any two** of the following: 7 x 2
- a. Write short notes on **any two**: Darwinism and literature, Romantic imagination, spread of British Empire and English literature.
 - b. Write the major differences between Romantic literature and Modern literature
 - c. Write a note on how literature depicts the effects of industrial revolution in society.