

U.G. 4th Semester Examination - 2025**ENGLISH****[HONOURS]****Course Code : ENG-H-CC-T-8****(British Literature: 18th Century)****[CBCS]****Full Marks : 60****Time : 2½ Hours***The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.***Answer all the questions.****GROUP-A****1. Answer any ten of the following questions:****2×10=20**

- a) Who are "warbling eunuchs"?
- b) "I praise the Hermit, but regret the Friend".
—Explain.
- c) What does "half-reluctant, half-yielding" body indicate?
- d) What is the 'maze' in "Love in a Maze"?
- e) What is indicated by "Lady in the street but a freak in the bed"?

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- f) Comment on the subtitle of Haywood's novella.
- g) How does Johnson criticize the corrupt political scene in 'London'?
- h) Briefly comment on dress as deceptive visual rhetoric in "Fantomina".
- i) In what connection is Hampden's name mentioned in the poem?
- j) Whose death is Gray lamenting in his *Elegy*?
- k) "Let not ambition mock their useful toil".

Explain.

- l) What does the name 'Orgilio' suggest?
- m) Comment on the ending of 'Fantomina'.
- n) Who is Beauplaisir?
- o) What is the significance of "tolling the knell"?

2. Answer any four of the following questions:

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- a) Locate and annotate:

"Who shares *Orgilio's* Crimes, his Fortune shares.

But thou, should tempting Villainy present

All *Marlb'rough* hoarded, or all *Villiers* spent."

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- b) How are class relations represented in Eliza

Haywood's "Fantomina"?

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- c) Locate and annotate:
"The guard of commerce, and the dread of Spain,
Ere masquerades debauch'd, excise oppress'd,
Or English honour grew a standing jest."
- d) Discuss the evening scene as presented by Gray in his 'Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard'.
- e) Discuss Johnson's 'London' as a critique of mercantile expansion.
- f) Comment on the tone of stillness in Gray's "Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard".

GROUP-B

3. Answer any one of the following: 10×1=10

- a) Consider Congreve's *The Way of the World* as a Restoration comedy of manners.
- b) Discuss the significance of the proviso scene in *The Way of the World*.

4. Answer any one of the following: 10×1=10

- a) Compare and contrast the Lilliputian Emperor with the King of Brobdingnag.
- b) Discuss *Gulliver's Travels* as an allegorical satire.