

Mid-West University
Examinations Management Office
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End - Semester Examination, 2080

Subject: ENG 423/323 – History of English Literature

FM:60

Level/program: Bachelor (B.A) Semester: II Time: 3 Hours

PM: 30

Candidates are required to answer the questions in their own words as far as practicable.

Attempt ALL of the following Very Short Answer Questions.

10x1=10

1. What are the two tests of literature?
2. Why was Bede called 'The Venerable Bede'?
3. What are the major three categories of metrical romance?
4. Why should we study literature?
5. Write about Alexander Pope's *The Rape of the Lock* in two sentences.
6. What is heroic tragedy?
7. Write any two names of Edmund Spenser's literary creations.
8. What were the major subject matters of miracle plays?
9. Who was William Langland?
10. In what sense, was the Middle Age also called the 'Dark Age'?

Attempt any THREE of the Following Short Questions.

3x8=24

11. Explain, in detail, the meaning and the qualities of literature.
12. Introduce metaphysical poetry and list out its major characteristics.
13. Studying the course on the history of English literature provides good knowledge on the development of English literature in different periods. Elaborate the statement.
14. Write about 'The Age of Elizabeth' including the important characteristics of this age.

Attempt any TWO of the Following Long Questions.

2x13=26

15. Introduce Geoffrey Chaucer and briefly talk about his *The Canterbury Tales*.
16. What is the meaning of 'Romanticism' in literature? State its important features.
17. 'Beowulf is the earliest and the greatest epic or heroic poem in English literature'. Write a short story of Beowulf.
