

# RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

(Residential Autonomous College under University of Calcutta)

FIRST YEAR

B.A./B.Sc. SECOND SEMESTER (January – June) 2015

Mid-Semester Examination, March 2015

Date : 18/03/2015

ENGLISH (Honours)

Time : 11 am – 1 pm

Paper : II

Full Marks : 50

1. Name and explain the figures of speech in the following: [4×2]
  - a) Beauty cannot keep her lustrous eyes.
  - b) Our sweetest songs are those that tell of saddest thoughts.
  - c) The fair breeze blew, the white foam flew,/The furrow followed free.
  - d) No louder shrieks to pitying heaven are cast,/When husbands or when lap dogs breathe their last.
2. Write short notes on any two of the following: [2×8]
  - a) Plot, b) Point of View, c) Stream of Consciousness, d) Canon of Literature.
3. 'With the invention of the printing press, a culture based on communication through listening, looking, and speaking gradually changed into a culture that interacted through reading and writing.' Discuss. [10]
4. Answer any one of the following : [1×16]
  - a) Discuss the contributions of the early English humanists.
  - b) Who are the major sonnet writers of the Elizabethan period? How did they enrich English poetry?

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