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M. A. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2021 [2020 Admissions Improvement & Supplementary] SEMESTER I - CORE COURSE (ENGLISH) EN1C03TM20 - REVOLUTION AND THE ENLIGHTENMENT

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

I. Answer any Eight questions. Each question carries 1 weight

(8x1=8)

- 1. Illustrate the significance of the Parliament as a primary organ of government during and after the glorious revolution
- 2. Discuss the emphasis on realistic particularity and the rejection of universals in early novels.
- Describe what a literary epic is? How does it differ from authentic/traditional epic?
- 4. Outline the features of a mock-heroic poem?
- Oliver Goldsmith attacks the sentimental comedies and prefers anti-sentimental comedies. Why?
- 6. Comment on the nature of Restoration Society.
- 7. Comment on the significance of the full titles of *Pamela*.
- 8. Interpret the significance of the preface to Robinson Crusoe.
- 9. Discuss Johnson's position as a literary critic.
- 10. Discuss the socio-political milieu of Wollstonecraft's Vindication.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 2 weight

(6x2=12)

- 11. Critically evaluate the features of the novel in the works of Defoe, Richardson and Fielding.
- 12. Analyse the artistic and architectural expansion in Britain after Restoration.
- 13. Examine Milton's Satan as a bundle of contradictions.
- 14. Sketch the coronation ceremony of Shadwell.
- 15. Comment on the famous 'Proviso Scene' in Congreve's The Way of the World.
- 16. Comment on the significance of the 'middle state of life' as featured in Robison Crusoe.
- 17. Through Pamela, Richardson has sought to use fiction as a vehicle for moral instruction. Discuss.
- 18. How does Johnson defend Shakespeare's use of the unities?

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 5 weight

(2x5=10)

- 19. Compare and contrast Dryden with Pope as masters of satiric portraiture.
- 20. Critically analyse the main features of the comedy of manners with reference to the prescribed texts.
- 21. "The Novels emerged as artifacts of major cultural significance, capable of providing not merely entertainment but also, potentially, moral wisdom and psychological insight". Discuss.
- 22. How does the *Preface* provide an impartial estimate of Shakespeare's merits and defects?