

DAB – 440 (ENG-UG)

Second Year B.A. Degree Examination, August/September 2008
Directorate of Correspondence Course
ENGLISH OPTIONAL – II
Poetry, Silver Box, Oliver Twist, Pride and Prejudice and Essays

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

SECTION – A

1. Annotate any **FOUR** of the following, (4×4=16)

Choosing **two** from Poetry and **two** from Drama :

- a) Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
And summer's lease hath all too short a date
- b) Doth God exact day-labour, light denied ?
- c) He would adore my gifts instead of me,
And rest in nature, not the God of nature :
So both should losers be
- d) One short sleep past, we wake eternally,
And death shall be no more, Death thou shalt die.
- e) We're all equal before the law -- that's not, that's silly.
- f) Those socialists and labour men are an absolutely selfish set of people. They have no sense of patriotism, like the upper classes, they simply want what we've got.
- g) Do you admit stealing a silver cigarette-box valued at five pounds, ten shillings, from the house of John Barthwick, M.P., between the hours of 11 p.m. on Easter Monday and 8.45 A.M. on Easter Tuesday last ?
- h) Your conduct here has been most improper. You give the excuse that you were drunk when you stole the box. I tell you that is no excuse.

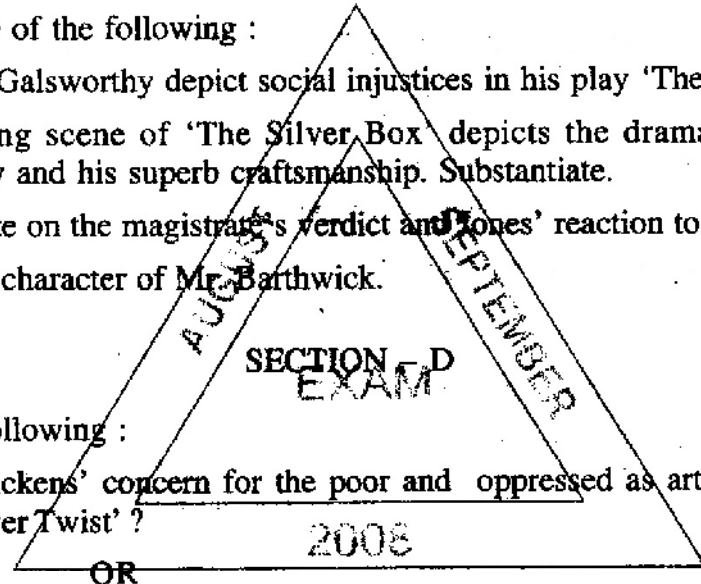


SECTION – B

2. Answer **TWO** of the following : (2×8=16)
- a) How does Shakespeare compare and contrast the summer's day and his friend in 'Shall I compare thee... ?
 - b) How does Milton express his grief at the loss of his eye-sight ?
 - c) Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'Death, be not 'Proud' ?
 - d) How does Dryden glorify music in his poem 'A Song for St. Cecilia's Day' ?

SECTION – C

3. Answer **TWO** of the following : (2×6=12)
- a) How does Galsworthy depict social injustices in his play 'The Silver Box' ?
 - b) The opening scene of 'The Silver Box' depicts the dramatic genius of Galsworthy and his superb craftsmanship. Substantiate.
 - c) Write a note on the magistrate's verdict and Jones' reaction to the verdict.
 - d) Sketch the character of Mr. Barthwick.



4. Answer the following : (2×8=16)
- a) Discuss Dickens' concern for the poor and oppressed as articulated in the novel 'Oliver Twist' ?

OR

Sketch the character of Oliver.

- b) Comment on the matrimonial adventures of the Bennet girls in 'Pride and Prejudice'.

OR

Sketch the character of Mr. Darcy.

5. How, according to Bacon, should a person equip himself for a travel ? (1×10=10)

OR

Why does Goldsmith prefer to be called a citizen of the world ? Discuss.