

**2022**  
**ENGLISH**  
**[HONOURS]**  
**(B.A. First Semester-End Examination-2022)**  
**PAPER: HCC-1**

**Full Marks: 60**

**Time: 03 Hrs**

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*  
*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words*  
*as far as practicable.*  
*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

1. Attempt any two of the following questions taking one from each group: 2×10= 20

**Group-A**

- i) Discuss *Beowulf* as an epic of Old English literature.
- ii) Write a note on the theme of money and marriage as reflected in Chaucer's *The Wife of Bath's Prologue*.

**Group-B**

- iii) Write an essay on the French elements in English language.
- iv) Write a note on the impact of Greek influence on the English language.

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2. a) Identify and explain the figures of speech in any two of the following:  $2 \times 5 = 10$

- i) Much have I travelled in the realms of gold.
- ii) All the city rose in arms.
- iii) The feast and noon grew high.
- iv) Variety is the spice of life.

b) Scan any one of the following passages:  $1 \times 10 = 10$

(i) Higher still and higher

From the earth thou springest

Like a cloud of fire;

The blue deep thou wingest,

And singing still dost soar, and soaring ever singest.

(ii) That's my last Duchess painted on the wall,

Looking as fit she were alive. I call

That piece a wonder, how, Fra Pandolf's hands

Worked busily a day and there she stands.

3. a) Write philological notes on any five of the following:  $5 \times 2 = 10$

- i) Climax
- ii) Adventure
- iii) Perfect
- iv) Egg

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v) Husband

vi) Dream

vii) Angel

b) Answer any five of the following questions:

$5 \times 2 = 10$

- i) Write the names of the first English tragedy and the first English comedy along with their authors.
- ii) Name the poem that Chaucer translated in the French stage of his literary career.
- iii) Write the names of four manuscripts in which the Old English poetry is preserved?
- iv) Who were the king and queen of Denmark as mentioned in the epic *Beowulf*?
- v) Name the most important historical work authored by Bede?
- vi) Who is Grendel? Who killed his mother in the epic *Beowulf*?
- vii) What are the three phases of Chaucer literary career? Cite at least one work from each phase.
- viii) In which manuscript was *The Battle of Brunanburh* recorded? What was the result of the battle?

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