

**U.G. 2nd Semester Examination - 2021****ENGLISH****Generic Elective (GE)****Course Code : ENGP-GE-T-2****Course Title : British Literature : 18th Century**

Full Marks : 30

Time : 1½ Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.***Answer all the questions.****GROUP-A**1. Answer any **five** of the following questions:

2×5=10

- a) What is meant by “the needy villain’s general home”?
- b) Whose death is Gray lamenting in his *Elegy*?
- c) Who is called “hoary-headed swain” and why?
- d) Comment on the ending of Haywood’s novella.
- e) “I praise the Hermit, but regret the Friend.” Explain.

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- f) Who is Thales in “London”?
- g) “Some mute inglorious Milton here may rest.” Explain.
- h) Who is “A young lady of distinguished birth, beauty, wit and spirit”?

2. Answer any **two** of the following questions:

5×2=10

- a) What is the significance of the epitaph in Gray’s “Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard”?
- b) Justify the title of Johnson’s poem “London”.
- c) Comment on the theme of disguise in Eliza Haywood’s “Fantomina”.
- d) Comment on Gray’s attitude toward death in his “Elegy”.
- e) Critically comment on the representation of gender in “Fantomina”.

**GROUP-B**3. Answer any **one** of the following: 10×1=10

- a) Comment on Congreve’s depiction of female characters in *The Way of the World*.

- b) Comment on the narrative technique in Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*.
  - c) Critically comment on the theme of love and morality in *The Way of the World*.
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