

WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY

B.A. Minor/Cor 2nd Semester Examination, 2024



ENGMIN202T/ENGCOR202T-ENGLISH

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions within 500 words:

 $15 \times 1 = 15$

- (a) Discuss the role of the West Wind as depicted by P. B. Shelley in his poem "Ode to the West Wind".
- (b) How does Sylvia Plath in "Ode For Ted" bring out a man's physical connection to nature?
- 2. Answer any *one* of the following questions within 500 words:

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- (a) Discuss the meaning and significance of the title "La Belle Dame Sans Merci".
- (b) Does Edgar Allan Poe's poem "Annabel Lee" explore the themes of love and loss? Discuss with close textual references.
- 3. Answer any *one* of the following questions within 500 words:

 $15 \times 1 = 15$

- (a) Discuss how Satan's first speech reveals his personality in Paradise Lost Book-1.
- (b) Give a description of Belinda's Toilet Scene in Alexander Pope's *The Rape of the Lock* and state its significance.
- 4. Answer any *one* of the following questions within 200 words:

 $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (a) "If Winter comes can spring be far behind?"—Explain.
- (b) What caused the death of Annabel Lee?
- (c) Who is the "Potent Victor"? What does Satan say about Him in his first speech in *Paradise Lost* Book-1?

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