



WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY
B.A. Honours 4th Semester Examination, 2024



ENGACOR08T-ENGLISH (CC8)

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.

Note: Long questions and RTC cannot be attempted from the same text.

SECTION-I

1. Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 500 words: 15×1 = 15
 - (a) Justify the title of Samuel Johnson's poem 'London'.
 - (b) How does Thomas Gray glorify common men in his 'Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard'?
 - (c) What is the central question raised in the poems 'The Tyger' and 'The Lamb' by William Blake?

2. Locate and annotate any **one** of the following in about 200 words: 5×1 = 5
 - (a) In what distant deeps or skies
Burnt the fire of thine eyes?
 - (b) Tho' grief and fondness in my Breast rebel
When injur'd Thales bids the Town farewell
Yet still my calmer thoughts his Choice commend,
I praise the hermit, but regret the friend.
 - (c) Full many a gem of purest ray serene,
The dark unfathom'd caves of ocean bear,
Full many a flower is born to blush unseen,
And waste its sweetness in the desert air.

SECTION-II

3. Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 500 words: 15×1 = 15
 - (a) Trace the development of Gulliver's character as one moves from Book III to Book IV of Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*.
 - (b) Comment on Swift's misanthropic attitude towards human society in *Gulliver's Travels* with particular reference to Books III and IV.

4. Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 500 words: 15×1 = 15
 - (a) Write a note on the title of Congreve's *The Way of the World*.
 - (b) How does *The Way of the World* portray women as representatives of the age?

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