2020-21

Time - 3 hours Full Marks – 80

Answer **all groups** as per instructions.

Figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates are required to answer in their own words as far as practicable.

Group-A

- 1. Answer <u>any four</u> questions or fill in blanks as required.
- [14x4]
- a) Bring out the structural merits of Pride and Prejudice.
- b) What picture of the social life of Jane Austen's times do you find in Pride and Prejudice?
- c) Critically appreciate Tennyson's poem Break, Break.
- d) Comment on the theme of jelousy and egotism in Browning's My Last Duchess.
- e) Critically examine Arnold's estimate of Wordsworth's poetic worth.

 Do you agree with him at all points?
- f) Give a brief account of the currents and cross currents in the social and economic life of the 19th Century.
- g) Discuss the ways in which Dickens parallels the personal and the political in A Tale of Two Cities.

Group-B

2. Answer <u>any four</u> of the following.

- [6x4]
- a) What is Matthew Arnold's Touchstone Method?
- b) Write a short note on Historical Novels.
- c) How does the Duke describe the Duchess' heart?

- d) Write a short note on the comic elements in Pride and Prejudice.
- e) Sketch briefly the character of Sydney Carton.
- f) Discuss briefly the women novelists in 19th Century.

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