

THE UNIVERSITY OF BURDWAN
B.A. Semester VI (Honours) Special Examination 2020 (CBCS)
Subject: English
Paper: DSE-4

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to answer in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Answer **any six** of the following questions: 5X6=30
 - a. Write a brief note on any significant aspect of Shakespeare's contribution to the enrichment of the English language.
 - b. Write a note on Malapropism with two illustrative references.
 - c. Write a brief note on 'journalese'.
 - d. Write a note on the Consonant Shift.
 - e. Briefly comment on the influence that science and technology have had on the expansion of the English language.
 - f. A large number of Scandinavian place names and personal names are found in English. Comment.
 - g. Write a note on the impact on English of Norman-French words related to administration.
 - h. Write a short note on the standardization of English.

 2. Answer **any three** of the following questions: 10X3=30
 - a. Discuss the range of the Latin influence on the English language.
 - b. How does T. S. Eliot reconcile the conflict of tradition and originality in his essay 'Tradition and the Individual Talent'?
 - c. Discuss how Dryden in 'An Essay of Dramatic Poesy' establishes the superiority of Shakespeare as a dramatist?
 - d. How, according to Philip Sidney, is poetry superior to philosophy and history?
 - e. Explain how Samuel Taylor Coleridge distinguishes between 'Fancy' and 'Imagination'.
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