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English Language and Literature and
English and Communicative English – 2(a)
Complementary Course
EN 1131/CG 1131 – HISTORY OF ENGLISH LITERATURE – 1
(Common for EN 1131/CG 1131)
(2013 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks :

I. Answer all questions, each in a word or a sentence.

- 1) Which is one of the oldest and perhaps the longest poem in the English language?
- 2) Name the poem which is considered to be Cynewulf's masterpiece.
- 3) Who inspired the writing of the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle?
- 4) Name the greatest figure in prose during the Anglo-Saxon period.
- 5) Who was crowned King of England on Christmas Day 1066?
- 6) Who used English language during the period of Norman Conquest?
- 7) Mention the names of the three Italian writers who inspired Chaucer.
- 8) Who is the author of Confessio Amantis?
- 9) Name the most famous Morality play.
- 10) Who translated More's Utopia into English?

(10×1=10 M)

II. Answer any eight, each in a short paragraph not exceeding 50 words.

- 11) Comment on the significance of Beowulf.
- 12) The Viking invasions.
- 13) Venerable Bede.
- 14) William the Conqueror.

15) The Knight's Tale. (100)

16) William Langland.

17) Mystery and Miracle plays.

18) Wyatt and Surrey.

19) Why is Spenser called a poet's poet?

20) How does Ben Jonson define humour?

21) How are Shakespearean plays divided?

22) Wycliffe.

Ancient

(8×2=16 Marks)

III. Answer any six, each in a paragraph not exceeding 100 words.

23) Chaucer's poetry can be classified on the basis of three clearly defined periods. Discuss.

24) Medieval Romances.

25) Discuss the major factors which facilitated the diffusion of Renaissance in England.

26) The Oxford Reformers.

27) The University Wits.

28) Bacon's fame mainly rests on his essays. Examine.

29) Edmund Spenser.

30) Explain the characteristics of Shakespearean tragedy.

31) Elizabethan theatre.

(6×4=24 Marks)

IV. Answer any two, each in about three hundred words.

32) Describe in detail the Norman Conquest and its major results.

33) *The Canterbury Tales* is Chaucer's anatomy of a society in flux. Elucidate.

34) Explain the main characteristics of the Elizabethan Age.

35) Reformation in England and its impact on English literature.

(2×15=30 Marks)