

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2023

CC12-ENGLISH

BRITISH LITERATURE: THE EARLY 20TH CENTURY

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

1. Answer any *two* of the following questions:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$

(a) Consider D. H. Lawrence as a modernist novelist with reference to Sons and Lovers.

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- (b) Comment on the role and character of Paul Morel in Sons and Lovers.
- (c) Critically assess Conrad's treatment of women in Heart of Darkness.

OR

- (d) Analyse the narrative technique used in Conrad's Heart of Darkness.
- (e) Consider Mrs. Dalloway as a novel of Interior Monologue.

OR

- (f) How does Septimus Smith contribute to the development of Mrs. Dalloway?
- 2. Answer any one of the following questions:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$

- (a) Bring out the contrast between Bluntschli and Sergius in Arms and the Man.
- (b) How far is Arms and the Man an antiromantic comedy? Argue your answer.
- 3. Answer any two of the following questions:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$

- (a) Discuss the significance of violence in W.B. Yeats's "Leda and the Swan".
- (b) Provide a critical appreciation of "Sailing to Byzantium".
- (c) Justify the appropriateness of the title of "The Hollow Men".
- (d) Examine "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock" as a dramatic monologue.
- Answer any two of the following questions:

 $5 \times 2 = 10$

- (a) "...more distant than stars and nearer than the eye". Explain the paradox.
- (b) Bring out the significance of the epigraph in "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock".
- (c) What is the central idea of "Sailing to Byzantium"?
- (d) Comment briefly on the symbolic significance of the 'falcon' in "The Second Coming".
- (e) "You have the soul of a servant" Who says this and to whom? Why does the speaker say so?
- (f) Comment on the ending of Arms and the Man.