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B.A. Minor 1st Semester Examination, 2023

UENGMIN10001-ENGLISH

UNDERSTANDING POETRY

Time Allotted: 2 Hours 30 Minutes

Full Marks: 60

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 - (b) Carpe Diem
 - (c) Sonnet
 - (d) Conceit
 - (e) Satire
 - (f) Imagery.
2. Explain with reference to the context any *four* of the following: 6×4 = 24
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Invention, Nature's child, fled step-dame study's blows".
 - (b) "So long as men can breathe, or eyes can see,
So long lives this, and this gives life to thee".
 - (c) "Or snorted we in the Seven Sleepers' den?
'Twas so; but this, all pleasures fancies be".
 - (d) "The bridal of the earth and sky;
The dew shall weep thy fall to-night,
For thou must die."
 - (e) "I sing - This verse to Caryl, Muse! is due:
This, ev'n Belinda may vouchsafe to view."
 - (f) "What the hammer? what the chain,
In what furnace was thy brain?"
3. Answer any *two* of the following questions: 12×2 = 24
- (a) Attempt a critical appreciation of "Three years she grew in sun and shower".
 - (b) Trace the evolution of thought in "Ode to a Nightingale".
 - (c) Examine "The Last Ride Together" as a love poem.
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