

## UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Major 2nd Semester Examination, 2024

## **UENGMAJ12002-ENGLISH**

**EUROPEAN CLASSICAL LITERATURE IN TRANSLATION** Time Allotted: 2 Hours 30 Minutes Full Marks: 60 The figures in the margin indicate full marks. 1. Write short notes on any four of the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$ (a) Anagnorisis (b) Chorus (c) Comic relief (d) Hubris (e) Soliloquy (f) In medias res. 2. Answer any four of the following questions:  $6 \times 4 = 24$ (a) Comment on the role of Tiresias in Oedipus the King. (b) What crime does Oedipus accuse Creon of? (c) Why does Cassandra call Apollo her destroyer? (d) What role does the nurse play in Medea? (e) What is the function of Xanthias in The Frogs? (f) Comment on the prologue by Lar Familiaris in The Pot of Gold. Answer any two of the following questions: 3.  $12 \times 2 = 24$ (a) Critically analyse Oedipus as a tragic hero. OR (b) How far can fate be held responsible for the tragedy of Oedipus? Discuss. (c) Discuss the role and character of Clytemnestra in Agamemnon by Aeschylus. (d) Explore Agamemnon as a study in guilt and sin. (e) Is the ending of Medea more contrived than inevitable? Argue your answer. (f) How far do you think Medea measures up to the figure of a tragic heroine? (g) Discuss The Frogs as a satirical comedy. OR (h) How is the patron god of drama metamorphosed into the comic hero in The Frogs? (i) What are the different attitudes to women and wealth in The Pot of Gold? (j) Discuss the character and role of Euclio in The Pot of Gold by Plautus.

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