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## M. A. (Previous) EXAMINATION, 2020

**ENGLISH** 

Paper Third

(Prose)

Time: Three Hours [ Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Attempt questions according to instructions.

- 1. Explain any *four* of the following passages with reference to their context: 5 each
  - (a) REVENGE is a kind of wild justice; which the more man's nature runs to, the more ought law to weed it out. For as for the first wrong, it doth but offend the law; but the revenge of that wrong, putteth the law out of office. Certainly, in taking the revenge, a man is but even with his enemy; but in passing it over, he is superior; for it is prince's part to pardon. And Solomon, I am sure, saith, It is the glory of a man, to pass by an offence.
  - (b) The first and most obvious reflections which arise in a man, who changes the city for the country, are upon the different manners of people whom he meets with in

those two different scenes of life. By manners I do not mean morals, but behaviour and good breeding as they show themselves in town and in the country.

- (c) We are not to Alice, nor of thee, nor are we children at all. The children of Alice call Bartrum father. We are nothing; less than nothing, and dreams. We are only what might have been, and must wait upon the tedious shores of Lethe millions of ages before we have existence, and a name.
- (d) The poet is a heroic figure belonging to all ages whom all ages possess, when once he is produced, whom the newest age as the oldest may produce; and will produce, always when Nature pleases. Let Nature send a Hero—soul; in no age is it other than possible that he may be shaped in to a Poet.
- (e) Thousands of men and women live and die without knowing the difference between a beech and an elm, between the song of a thrush and the song of a blackbird. Probably in a modern city the man who can distinguish between a thrush's and a blackbird's song is the exception. It is not that we have not seen the birds. It is simply that we have not noticed them.
- (f) It is a matter of general agreement that the war has had a chilling effects upon those little every day civilities of behaviour that sweeten the general air. We must get those civilities back if we are to make life kindly and tolerable for each other. We cannot get them back by invoking the law.

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2. Write a note on the prose style of Bacon.

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Or

What were the different methods prevalent in different nations for disposing off their dead-bodies? Discuss them in your own words.

3. Sketch the character of Sir Roger.

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Or

The autobiography of J. J. Rousseau with the title "Confessions" truly shows his political, social and other views. Discuss them in your own words.

Or

Discuss James Boswell's prose style as revealed in his biography, "Life of Dr. Johnson".

4. Bring out the autobiographical elements in the essays of Charles Lamb.

Or

Discuss in your own words, the salient features of William Hazlitt as an essayist.

5. Analyse Thomas Carlyle's conception of "Hero as a Poet" as revealed in his essay.

Or

Evaluate John Ruskin as an essayist.

6. Write a critical appreciation of Robert Lynd's essay, "Forgetting".

Or

What is the need and importance of observing the rules of the road? [4] D-3373

Or

Describe, in your own words, the religious condition in Utopia Island.

Or

Discuss, in your own words, the different ways of acquiring reputation and respect by an ideal Prince.

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