



WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY  
B.A. Honours 3rd Semester Examination, 2019



ENGACOR07T-ENGLISH (CC7)

PAPER TITLE: BRITISH POETRY & DRAMA (17<sup>TH</sup> -18<sup>TH</sup> C)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

### SECTION-I

1. Answer any **one** from the following questions in about 500 words: 15×1 = 15
- (a) Do you consider Satan as the real hero of *Paradise Lost*, Book I? Substantiate your answer. 15
- (b) Make a critical analysis of the Invocation in *Paradise Lost*, Book I. 15
2. Explain with reference to the context any **one** from the following passages, in around 200 words: 5×1 = 5
- (a) ..... the broad circumference 5  
Hung on his shoulders like the Moon, whose Orb  
Through the Optic Glass the Tuscan artist views  
At Ev'ning from the top of Fesole,  
Or in Valdarno, to descry new Lands,  
Rivers or Mountains in her spotty Globe.
- (b) ..... Him the Ammonite 5  
Worshipt in Rabba and her watry Plain,  
In Argob and in Basan, to the stream  
Of utmost Arnon.

### SECTION-II

3. Answer any **one** from the following questions in around 250 words: 10×1 = 10
- (a) Critically comment on Pope's use of supernatural machinery in *The Rape of the Lock*. 10
- (b) Comment on Pope's attitude to the Eighteenth-Century fashionable society as revealed in *The Rape of the Lock*. Give suitable examples in support of your answer. 10

4. Explain with reference to the context any *one* from the following in about 200 words: 5×1 = 5
- (a) This casket India's glowing gems unlocks, 5  
And all Arabia breathes from yonder box.  
The Tortoise here and Elephant unite  
Transform'd to combs, the speckled and the white,  
Here Files of Pins extend their shining Rows,  
Puffs, Powders, Patches, Bibles, Billet-doux.
- (b) Not louder Shrieks to pitying Heav'n are cast, 5  
When Husbands or when Lap-dogs breathe their last.

### SECTION-III

5. Answer any *one* from the following questions in around 500 words: 15×1 = 15
- (a) Critically assess *The White-Devil* as a Revenge Tragedy. 15
- (b) 'Webster has created a female protagonist in Vittoria who is intelligent, honorable and valiant.' Is this interpretation justified? Justify your answer with illustrative references to the text. 15

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