

MAULANA AZAD NATIONAL URDU UNIVERSITY, HYDERABAD
(Accredited "A+" Grade by NAAC)

Centre for Distance and Online Education

Programme: B.A. 3rd Semester

Course: British Literature (BAEN301CCT)

2024 Admitted Batch

Assignment No. 1 (Google Form)

Max Marks: 10

Answer all the questions. Each question carries **0.5** mark.

20 x 0.5 = 10

1. A typical Elizabethan drama has _____ acts.
Four
Five
Three
Two
2. The play *Every Man in His Humour* is written by _____.
Ben Jonson
Harold Pinter
T.S.Eliot
G.B. Shaw
3. The University Wits were closely associated with theatre.
Yes
No
4. The first tragedy of British drama was written by Thomas Sackville and his fellow Thomas Norton.
True
False
5. Thomas Kyd wrote *The Spanish Tragedy*.
True
False
6. How many sonnets did Shakespeare write?
124
154
98
200
7. William Shakespeare's plays were written for performance rather than publication.
True
False
8. When was *The First Folio* published?
1603
1608
1623
1640
9. Who among the following wrote *Gulliver's Travel*?
Vikram Seth
Thomas Hardy
Mathew Arnold
Jonathan Swift
10. *The Merchant of Venice* undoubtedly falls into the category of a _____.
Tragedy

Romantic comedy

Tragi-comedy

None of these

11. _____ is a side strand of a plot that runs parallel to the main plot.

Plot

Full-plot

Sub-plot

None of these

12. What is another title for *Twelfth Night*?

Virtue Rewarded

A Fair Story

A Pure Story

In the lap of dark

13. Who is the protagonist of the play *The Merchant of Venice*.

Antonio

Bassanio

Shylock

Portia

14. Who disguises as a lawyer in *The Merchant of Venice*?

Nerissa

Portia

Lorenzo

None of these

15. What was Shylock's profession?

School teacher

Painter

Money lender

King

16. Who comes to rescue Antonio disguised as a doctor of law?

Portia

Jessica

Bossanio

Lorenzo

17. "Hang on her temples like a golden fleece" is an example of:

Metaphor

Simile

Alliteration

Personification

18. Portia gifts _____ a ring to check his fidelity and sincerity.

Antonio

Shylock

Jessica

Bassanio

19. Which of the following meter has been dubbed as "heartbeat"?

Trochaic meter

Anapestic meter

Iambic meter

None of these

20. Which of the following novelists used the pseudonym 'George Eliot'?

Jane Austen

Virginia Woolf

Elaine Showalter

None

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Assignment No. 2

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Part-A

Short Answer Questions

Attempt any **two** questions from the following. Each question carries **2.5** marks. **2x2.5=5**

1. Comment on the character of Shylock in *The Merchant of Venice*.
2. Is there any distinction in British drama between Miracle and Mystery Plays?
3. Why is Christopher Marlowe called “the father of English drama and blank verse”?
4. Briefly explain Gothic Novel.

Part-B

Long Answer Questions

Attempt any **one** question from the following. Each question carries **5** marks. **1x5=5**

1. Discuss the major themes of Shakespeare’s play *The Merchant of Venice*.
2. Discuss the essential elements of drama.
3. What is a sonnet? Elaborate on characteristics of Shakespearean sonnets.

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Assignment No. 3

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Part-A

Short Answer Questions

Attempt any **two** questions from the following. Each question carries **2.5** marks. **2x2.5=5**

1. Define plot and explain its importance in a novel.
2. Critically comment on the character of Oliver Twist.
3. Write a brief note on the character portrayal of Portia.
4. Discuss the themes in *The Merchant of Venice*?

Part-B

Long Answer Questions

Attempt any **one** question from the following. Each question carries **5** marks. **1x5=5**

1. Discuss in detail the features of Romantic comedy in English literature.
2. Discuss *The Merchant of Venice* as a play about friendship and loyalty.
3. Critically analyze the role of Omniscient Narrator in the novel *Oliver Twist*.