

ST. JOSEPH'S EVENING COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)

II SEMESTER BA (EJP) EXAMINATIONS APRIL 2018

OPTIONAL ENGLISH

VICTORIANS TO THE PRESENT

Time: 2.5 Hours

Max. Marks: 70

I. Answer any TWO of the following questions: (2x10=20)

1. Discuss the aftermath of the World Wars.
2. The Victorian period is often noted for being an age of great faith and at the same time an age of great doubt. Elucidate.
3. Write a note on the impacts of the Reform Bills.

II. Answer any ONE of the following questions: (1x10=10)

1. Briefly explain the narrator's home life as seen in the text, 'Araby'.
2. Discuss the concept of 'Impersonality' as presented in T S Eliot's 'Tradition and Individual Talent'.

III. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3x10=30)

1. 'The Second Coming' presents an explosive vision of the era. Comment.
2. Critically examine the role of the 'Duke' in the poem 'My Last Duchess'.
3. 'Separation in other words mean loss and grief'. Discuss with reference to Alfred Lord Tennyson's 'Break, Break, Break'.
4. Discuss the human qualities as seen in 'Hawk Roosting'.

IV. Answer any ONE of the following questions: (1x10=10)

1. 'Love and Death' are two uninvited guests in a man's life. Justify your statements with reference to the extract you have studied in Wuthering Heights.
2. What picture of 'Jungle' and 'Natives' are presented in Conrad's 'Heart of Darkness'. (Answer with reference to the extract you have studied.)