

2013

ENGLISH

(Major)

Paper : 5.3

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer any *three* of the following questions :

10×3=30

- (a) Write a note on the relationship between the publication of periodicals and the significant evolution of the essay in the eighteenth century.
- (b) Would you agree that as a literary and intellectual movement Romanticism gave a new impetus to essay writing? Discuss.
- (c) Write a note on the essays of the Victorian Age.
- (d) Comment on Charles Lamb's style as an essayist, making specific reference to at least one essay by him.

2. Answer any *three* of the following questions :

5×3=15

- (a) Comment on Addison's 'endeavour to enliven morality with wit, and to temper wit with morality' in his essays.
- (b) Write a note on William Hazlitt's use of quotations in *Going a Journey*.
- (c) Briefly recount Steele's description of the gentlemen of *The Spectator Club*.
- (d) Comment on Dickens' observation of Washington in Chapter Eight of his *American Notes*.

3. Answer the following questions :

2×4=8

- (a) What is the attitude of Mr. Spectator towards the people and things he observes and describes?
- (b) Why does Lamb say that he likes to meet a sweep?
- (c) Why does Hazlitt enjoy being alone out of doors?
- (d) What is 'the headquarters of tobacco-tinctured saliva' according to Dickens? Why?

4. Answer the following questions : 1×7=7

- (a) When did *The Spectator* begin publication?
- (b) What is Sir Rogers' age as described in *The Spectator Club*?
- (c) Lamb says that chimney sweeps in London are very fond of a particular beverage. What beverage is that?
- (d) What, according to Hazlitt, is 'the soul of a journey'?
- (e) From what place did Dickens start his journey to Washington?
- (f) How many copies of *The Spectator* are distributed every morning (according to Addison's publisher)?
- (g) Who instituted an annual feast for chimney sweepers?

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