



**DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**  
**NAMBOL L. SANOI COLLEGE, NAMBOL**

**BA II Semester**

**Elective English**

**E2-202: British Fiction**

**A. Each question carries 10 marks.**

- Give the brief account for the rise of the novel on the Eighteen century. (2016, 2018)
- Write a critical note on the contribution of Virginia Woolf to the Twentieth century novel. (2016)
- Trace the development of novel as a literary form in England. (2017)
- Write a brief essay on the contribution of James Joyce to English novel. (2017)
- Write an essay on the importance of novel writing in the Victorian Age with special reference to Dickens (2018)
- Give a brief account of the evolution of the British Fiction. (2019)
- Discuss the importance of women novelists of the Victorian Age with special reference to George Eliot. (2019)

**B. Answer the following questions. Each question carries 6 marks.**

- (a) Critically evaluate the significance of the title of the novel, *Sense and Sensibility*. (2016)
- Compare and contrast between the characters of Marianne and Elinor. (2016)
- Write a critical note on the theme of Jane Austen's novel, *Sense and Sensibility*. (2017)
- Give a critical comment on the significance of the role of Mrs. Jennings in the novel, *Sense and Sensibility*. (2017)
- Describe the love affair between Marianne and Colonel Brandon. (2018)

- Critically examine Jane Austen's use of irony in *Sense and Sensibility*. (2018)
- Analyze the plot of the novel, *Sense and Sensibility*. (2019)
- Write a brief essay on the role of children in the novel, *Sense and Sensibility*. (2019)
- (b) Write critical essay on the plot and structure of the novel, *Silas Marner*. (2016)
- Discuss the importance of Eppie in the life of Silas Marner in George Eliot's novel, *Silas Marner*. (2016)
- Critically evaluate the novel, *Silas Marner* as psychological novel. (2017, 2019)
- Bring out the humour and ironies of life in *Silas Marner*. (2017)
- Write a note on the English class-system of the time as depicted by George Eliot in *Silas Marner*. (2018)
- Bring out the main traits of the character of Silas Marner, the weaver. (2018)
- Contrast Silas Marner's life in Lantern Yard with that in Raveloe in the novel, *Silas Marner*. (2019)
- (c) Discuss *Jane Eyre* as a novel of love and passion. (2016)
- Comment on Charlotte Bronte's craftsmanship in the light of her novel, *Jane Eyre* (2016)
- Discuss *Jane Eyre* as a feminist novel. (2017)
- Comment on the role of women in *Jane Eyre*. (2017)
- Write a critical appreciation of the novel, *Jane Eyre*. (2018)
- Give a character sketch of Miss Temple in the novel, *Jane Eyre*. (2018)
- Give a character sketch of Jane Eyre. (2019)
- Discuss *Jane Eyre* as an autobiographical novel. (2019)
- (d) Write a character-sketch of Sydney Carton in the novel, *A Tale of Two Cities*. (2016)
- Write a critical note on Charles Dickens' use of symbolism in *A Tale of Two Cities*. (2016)
- Write a brief note on the theme of Charles Dicken's novel, *A Tale of Two Cities*. (2017)

- Describe Charles Dickens' depiction of crowds and mobs in England in France in *A Tale of Two Cities*. (2017)
- Write a character sketch of Charles Darnay in the novel, *A Tale of Two Cities*. (2018)
- "Execution scene is the most moving and unforgettable scene in the novel, *A Tale of Two Cities*." Discuss. (2018)
- Write a brief note on the tragic elements in *A Tale of Two Cities*. (2019)
- Discuss the role of Therese in *A Tale of Two Cities*. (2019)
- (e) Bring out the ironies of life in *Far from the Madding Crowd*. (2016)
- Relate the circumstances that led to Troy's estrangement from Bathsheba in the novel, *Far from the Madding Crowd*. (2016)
- Evaluate the significance of the title of Thomas Hardy's novel, *Far from the Madding Crowd*. (2017)
- Give a character sketch of Bathsheba Everdene in *Far from the Madding Crowd*. (2017)
- What picture of the rural life does Hardy give in *Far from the Madding Crowd*? (2018)
- Bring out the tragic elements in the novel, *Far from the Madding Crowd*. (2018)
- Explain the theme of love in Thomas Hardy's *Far from the Madding Crowd*. (2019)
- Critically examine the character of Bathsheba Everdene in *Far from the Madding Crowd*. (2019)
- (f) Bring out the satirical elements contained in *The Vicar of Wakefield*. (2016, 2019)
- Give a character sketch of Mr. Thornhill in the novel, *The Vicar of Wakefield*. (2016, 2018)
- Discuss *The Vicar of Wakefield* as a novel of family and of the home. (2017)
- Give a character sketch of George Primrose in the novel, *The Vicar of Wakefield*. (2017)
- Discuss the title of *The Vicar of Wakefield* (2018)
- Discuss *The Vicar of Wakefield* as a domestic novel. (2019)

**C. Answer the following questions in about 50 words each. Each question carries 3 marks.**

- (a) How does the Industrial Revolution influence the social class in *Silas Marner* (2016)  
Or  
Describe the village of Raveloe in *Silas Marner* (2016)
- What are the ideas expressed by Winthrop and Silas Marner about the will of the Supernatural powers? (2017)  
Or  
Describe the attachment of Silas Marner to Lantern Yard. (2017)
- In what light does Eppie appear to you in the novel, *Silas Marner*? (2018)
- Write a short note on the relationship between Godfrey and Nancy. (2018)
- How did the people of Raveloe regard Silas Marner? (2019)
- Describe the incident of the brown pot. (2019)
- Write a short note about the consequence of Silas Marner's loss of his gold. (2019)
- Why did Silas Marner adopt the two-year-old girl-child, Eppie as his own daughter against all suggestions from the people of Raveloe? (2019)
- (b) What is the significance of the red room in *Jane Eyre*? (2016)  
Or  
Write the character and role of Miss Temple. (2016)
- Why was Jane locked in the Red Room? (2017)  
Or  
How did Eliza Reed become the mother superior in a convent in Lisle, France? (2017)
- Give a brief account of Mrs. Sarah Reed in the novel, *Jane Eyre*. (2018)
- Write a brief note on the love relation between Mr, Rochester and Jane Eyre. (2018)
- (c) Why was Dr.Manette imprisoned for eighteen years? (2016)  
Or  
Why did Sydney Carton sacrifice his life in *A Tale of Two Cities*? (2016)
- What is the slogan of the revolutionaries in *A Tale of Two Cities*? (2017)  
Or  
Why was Charles Darnay arrested three times in *A Tale of Two Cities*? (2017)
- Describe briefly Charles Darney's second arrest in Paris. (2018)
- Give a brief account of Sydney Carton's supreme sacrifice. (2018)

- Describe the circumstances under which Madame Defarge shot and injured herself. (2019)
- Write a note on Jerry Cruncher in *A Tale of Two Cities*. (2019)
- (d) How did Marianne fall in love with Willoughby? (2016)  
Or  
Describe the ways in which Lady Middleton's favour was won by Steel Sisters. (2016)
- Give a short character profile of Colonel Brandon. (2017)  
Or  
Why did Lucy Steele marry Robert Ferrars, the younger brother of her ex-fiancé? (2017)
- What were the promises which John Dashwood gave to his dying father? (2018)
- Give a brief character profile of Elinor Dashwood. (2018)
- How did Lucy regain the forgiveness and favour of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Ferrars? (2019)
- Describe the character of Mrs. Ferrars. (2019)
- (e) Why did Bathsheba save Gabriel's life? (2016)  
Or  
How did the relationship between Troy and Fanny Robin come to an end? (2016)
- How was Fanny Robin cheated by Sergeant Frank Troy? (2017)  
Or  
Describe how Gabriel Oak's farm was ruined? (2017)
- Write a short note on the rustic characters in *Far from the Madding Crowd*. (2018)
- Bring out the character of Gabriel Oak as a source of comedy. (2018)
- Why did Gabriel Oak fail to get a job at the Casterbridge (annual) hiring fair? (2019)
- What led Gabriel Oak help Bathsheba at the toll-gate in Nowcombe? (2019)
- (f) Write a note on the role of Dr. Primrose as a father. (2016)  
Or  
Give a short character-sketch of Olivia Primrose. (2016)
- Give a short character analysis of Mr. Burchell. (2017)  
Or  
What were the three strange wants at Wakefield? (2017)
- Give a short character analysis of Jenkinson. (2018)
- The main approach of Goldsmith in *The Vicar of Wakefield* is to reconcile us to the human nature. Illustrate. (2018)

Give a short character analysis of Deborah Primrose in *The Vicar of Wakefield*. (2019)

Describe the tragic incidents which Dr. Charles Primrose faced in *The Vicar of Wakefield*. (2019)

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