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ENGLISH

( Major )

Course : 301

**( History of the English Language,  
Critical Terms and Classical Mythology )**

*Full Marks : 80*

*Pass Marks : 32 (Backlog) / 24 (2014 onwards)*

*Time : 3 hours*

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

PART—A

**( History of the English Language )**

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

1×8=8

- (a) Which period in the development of the English language is considered to be the Old English period?

- (b) How many dialects have been identified in Middle English?
- (c) Who translated the *New Testament* into English?
- (d) In which English did Chaucer write *The Canterbury Tales*?
- (e) Who established the printing press in England?
- (f) What do you mean by 'borrowing' in language?
- (g) What do you mean by a closed syllable?
- (h) Name a poem that was written in Old English.
- (i) What is the French word for 'house'?
- (j) Who wrote *A Dictionary of the English Language* in the year 1755?
2. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 5×2=10
- (a) Gradation
- (b) The Ding-Dong theory
- (c) The composition of a syllable
3. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 12
- (a) Write a note on the influence of French in the development of English language.

- (b) Discuss any six factors which have contributed to the growth of English vocabulary.
- (c) Attempt a discussion of the major changes that marked the development from the Old English to the Middle English period.

PART—B

UNIT—I

( **Critical Terms and Concepts** )

4. Write short notes on any *five* of the following : 6×5=30

- (a) Metaphor
- (b) Comedy
- (c) Soliloquy
- (d) Pastoral elegy
- (e) Conceit
- (f) Ode
- (g) Onomatopoeia
- (h) Personification
- (i) Satire
- (j) Epic

UNIT—II

( Classical Mythology )

5. Discuss the contribution of any *two* of the following prominent figures to classical literature : 4×2=8

- (a) Aristotle
- (b) Homer
- (c) Horace
- (d) Ovid

6. Write brief notes on any *six* of the following mythological figures of the classical world : 2×6=12

- (a) Aphrodite
- (b) Bacchus
- (c) Actaeon
- (d) Ceres
- (e) Daphne
- (f) Diana
- (g) Dionysius
- (h) Hector
- (i) Juno
- (j) Pandora
- (k) Nestor
- (l) Telemachus

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