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ENGLISH

(Minor)

Paper : ENG4400504MN

(British Fiction : Augustan to Victorian)

(Set–A)

Full Marks : 60

Time : 2½ hours

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

1. Answer the following as directed : 1×8=8

(a) What is the name of the girl who comes in when Mr. Stockdale tinkles the bell in the parlour after his arrival in Mrs. Newberry's house?

(b) What was Sissy's father?

(c) Who, as per available information, sent the pianoforte to Jane Fairfax?

(d) Where does Mr. Heathcliff, the landlord of Thrushcross Grange live?

(e) Where was the Newgate prison situated, where Moll was born?

(f) What was the first idea that came to Emma's mind regarding Frank's proposed visit to Randalls?

(g) How does Isabella fall ill?

(h) The Wesleyan minister is a clergyman / political dignitary.

(Choose the correct option)

2. Answer any *six* of the following questions : 2×6=12

(a) What does Mrs. Newberry offer Stockdale to cure his cold? By what name do the inhabitants know that product? 1+1=2

(b) "I have not broken your heart—you have broken it; and in breaking it, you have broken mine." Who, in *Wuthering Heights*, speaks this and to whom?

(c) Who is the advocate of utilitarianism in *Hard Times*, and how?

(d) Why does Stephen refuse to join the union?

(e) Which type of novels does *Moll Flanders* belong to? Define the type. 1+1=2

(f) Why does Hindley hate Heathcliff?

(g) What information does Mr. Stockdale gather about Mrs. Newberry from the boy?

(h) What are the three garments Mr. Stockdale discovered in his chair, which he knows nothing about?

(i) To whom does Hindley mortgage *Wuthering Heights* and why?

(j) What does the name of the protagonist in *Moll Flanders* literally stand for?

3. Answer any *four* of the following questions : 5×4=20

(a) Write a note on Mr. Stockdale's disposition and physical appearance.

(b) Make an assessment of the role of Ellen Nelly Dean's character in *Wuthering Heights*.

(c) Why and when is Moll brought to the prison where once she was born? How is a new Moll born there for the second time? 3+2=5

(d) Make an observation of Emma's return journey after dinner with the Westons.

(e) Give a short description of Mrs. Newberry as observed by Mr. Stockdale when he first meets her.

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(f) Draw a character sketch of Mr. Gradgrind.

(g) Critically comment on Mr. Heathcliff's visit to his landlord.

(h) How would you substantiate that Sissy Jupe embodies feminine compassion? Justify your answer very briefly.

4. Answer any *two* of the following questions : 10×2=20

(a) *Emma* is a story of a girl's attempts to make matches that in most of the cases prove mismatches. Elaborate Emma's match making attempts.

(b) "*Moll Flanders* can also be seen as a novel with strong feminist issues." To what extent do you agree to such an observation. Justify your answer with necessary illustrations.

(c) Hardy's "*The Distracted Preacher* was included in his *Wessex Tales.*" Discuss the short story as a *Wessex Tale.*

(d) Discuss *Wuthering Heights* as a Gothic novel.

(e) Discuss the inhuman effects of urbanization in Victorian England as has been narrated in *Hard Times.*

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