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M.A.

2nd Semester Examination

ENGLISH

PAPER – ENG – 204

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 Hours

The figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Answer any two of the following questions : 14 x 2

(a) Yeats' 'Byzantium' is a companion-piece to 'Sailing to Byzantium'. Elucidate .

OR

(b) Comment on Lawrence's treatment of a classical myth in 'Bavarian Gentians'.

(c) How does Eliot explore the nature of life and society in his poem, 'Preludes' ?

OR

(d) Is Dylan Thomas' 'A Refusal to Mourn' a celebration of life ? Give reasons for your answer.

(e) Larkin was preoccupied with the idea of the flux of time and the transience of life. Elucidate with reference to 'The Whitsun Weddings'.

OR

(f) 'Thought-Fox' is basically about the process of poetic composition. Do you agree ? Discuss.

(Turn Over)

2. Comment on the following : 4 x 3

(a) (i) " . . . there's more enterprise
In walking naked."

OR

(ii) "And I thought of the albatross."

(b) (i) The image of the wood-thrush in 'Marina'.

OR

(ii) "The Old Masters" in 'Musee des Beaux Arts'.

(c) (i) "Between my finger and my thumb
The squat pen rests ; snug as a gun."

OR

(ii) "World is crazier and more of it than we think,
Incorrigibly plural."

(Internal Assessment-10)