

2023

(FYUGP)

(1st Semester)

ENGLISH

(Major)

Paper Code : ENG/C-2

(**European Classical Literature**)

Full Marks : 75

Pass Marks : 40%

Time : 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

1. (a) Explain the differences between Comedy and Tragedy in classical drama.

Or

- (b) Explain Plato and Aristotle's view on 'Mimesis'.

2. (a) Explain the main conflict between Agamemnon and Achilles in Homer's *The Iliad* Book I.

Or

- (b) Explain the significance of the episode with Thersites in Book II of *The Iliad*.
3. (a) Do you think Oedipus is merely a victim of fate or is he responsible for his own tragedy? Discuss with respect to Sophocles' *Oedipus the King*.

Or

- (b) Discuss the concept of kingship in the Athenian City State with reference to *Oedipus the King*.
4. (a) How does Plautus' *The Pot of Gold* reflect the role of women in Greek society?

Or

- (b) Show that *The Pot of Gold* is a satire on avarice and miserliness.
5. (a) Discuss the main issues highlighted by Horace in his 'Satires 1 : 4'.

Or

- (b) Briefly analyze Ovid's portrayal of the power of Gods in determining human lives in Book III of *Metamorphoses*.

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