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M.A. (Previous) EXAMINATION, 2021

ENGLISH

Paper Fourth (Fiction)

Time: Three hours

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Maximum Marks: 100

All questions are compulsory.

1. Discuss *Pilgrim's Progress* as an allegorical work in which allegory is worked out with ease force and clearness.

OR

"The human drama in *Robinson Crusoe* appeals to us: there is here an indissoluble fusion of what is earthly and what is divine?" Explain.

OR

Gulliver's Travels in the form of allegory is an attack on humanity. Elucidate.

2. Write an essay on Samuel Richardson's contribution to the development of novel in English.

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OR

Explain why Fielding calls his novel *Joseph Andrews* a 'comic epic'.

OR

Write a note on Goldsmith's sense of humour as revealed in *The Vicar of Wakefield*.

Discuss *Ivanhoe* as a good example of narrative novel giving lively pictures of English life in the twelfth century.

OR

Prove that the strength of Jane Austen as a novelist lies in her depiction of family life.

OR

Delineate the character of Pip in *Great Expectations*.

4. Discuss the treatment of women characters in *The Heart of Darkness*.

OR

Analyse the East-West conflict in A Passage to India.

OR

What are the major themes in Sons of Lovers.

5. Compare and contrast Septimus Smith and Clarissa Dalloway. What imagery is associated with each?

OR

Consider *The Power* and *The Glory* as a psychological religious novel.

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OR

Two major symbols in *The Lord of the Flies* are the conch shell and the lord of the flies (the pig's head on a stick). Analyse these symbols in terms of how they are perceived by the boys as well as what they symbolise for the readers.

- **6.** Attempt any two of the following :
 - (a) What is the moral of the novel *Robinson Crusoe*?
 - (b) Describe Fielding's picture of law and justice in the eighteenth century England.
 - (c) Give an account of the most touching scene in *The Great Expectations*.
 - (d) What is the significance of the title Sons and Lovers?
 - (e) How does *Mrs. Dalloway* show the difference between the clock's time and the subjective human experience of time?