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Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (20 × 1 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the best answer:

1. William and his wife became the parents of twins in 1585 (a boy and a girl). What were they named?
(a) Othello and Francesca (b) Hamnet and Judith
(c) Leir and Violet (d) Benquo and Natasha
2. Which fellow dramatist called William an "upstart crew" in 1592, envious of William's well established and successful career?
(a) Ben Jonson (b) Thomas Kyd (c) Christopher Marlowe (d) Robert Greene
3. William was a founding member of which theatrical group in 1594?
(a) Lord Chamberlain's Men (b) Royal Crown's Actors (c) High Bishop's Group (d) Grand Dukes Players

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4. William's new theatrical group was founded in the same year as the theatres were re-opened having been closed the previous year. Why had they been closed?
(a) The death of Queen Elizabeth I (b) Opera became the more popular entertainment (c) The Plague (d) Great fire of London
5. Who was the handsome courtier to whom Shakespeare dedicated his poems "Venus and Adonis" (1593) and "The Rape of Lucrece" (1594)?
(a) Earl of Norfolk (b) Earl of Southampton (c) Earl of York (d) Earl of Plymouth
6. How many of Shakespeare's plays were published in his lifetime?
(a) All of them (b) About 25% of them (c) None of them (d) About 50% of them
7. Where is Shakespeare buried?
(a) Poets Corner, Westminster Abbey, London (b) Holy Trinity Church, Stratford-upon-Avon (c) Ely Cathedral, Ely (d) Oxford University, Oxford
8. Which of Shakespeare's contemporaries remembered him with admiration and affection after his death?
(a) Robert Greene (b) Edmund Spenser (c) Ben Jonson (d) Thomas Nashe

9. The 1990s were a great decade for movies of Shakespeare's plays. Who played Benedict and Beatrice in "Much Ado About Nothing" (1993)?
(a) Kenneth Branagh and Emma Thompson (b) Mel Gibson and Kate Winslet (c) Hugh Grant and Helena Bonham Carter (d) Ralph Fiennes and Juliette Binoche
10. As well as appearing in his own plays, Shakespeare also acted in some of the productions of his contemporary dramatists.
(a) True (b) False
11. Who takes care of Sebastian after he is shipwrecked?
(a) Antonio (b) Feste (c) Viola (d) A dog
12. What masque does Feste wear when he speaks with Malvolio?
(a) Olivia (b) Angel (c) Sir Topas (d) Cesario
13. Which character does not get married (or plan to) at the end of the play?
(a) Malvolio (b) Orsino (c) Olivia (d) Sebastian
14. Who kills King Duncan?
(a) Macduff (b) Lady Macduff (c) Lady Macbeth (d) Macbeth

15. What was the weather like the night Duncan was murdered?
(a) Calm and placid (b) it was a night like any other night, according to Lennox (c) Foggy and ominous (d) Stormy and violent
16. Who flees Scotland to join Malcolm in England?
(a) Macduff (b) Ross (c) Lennox (d) Donalbain
17. Where is Duncan killed?
(a) In the battle with Norway (b) In his bedchamber at Forrest (c) At Birnam Wood (d) In his bedchamber at Macbeth's castle
18. Which new tax led to Peasants' Revolt in 1381?
(a) Death Duty (b) Stamp Duty (c) Luxury Tax (d) Poll Tax
19. Who captured the Tower of London on 14 June 1381?
(a) John Litster (b) Walter Tyler (c) William Wallace (d) Robert Bruce
20. Whom did Richard II remove as chancellor under pressure from the House of Commons?
(a) Simon of Sudbury (b) Robert Hates (c) Michael de la Pole (d) Henry le Despenser

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions.

21. What are problem Plays. Explain.
22. Compare and contrast Shakespeare with Ben Jonson.
23. Compare and contrast the behavior of Macbeth and Banquo after they've heard the prophecy.
24. Analyse the Aristotle's archetypes in the play "Macbeth".
25. What is the role of John of Gaunt in the play Richard II?
26. Analyse Arnold Kettle's view on Shakespeare
27. Why is Malvolio in *Twelfth Night*? Is he just comic relief, or does he help Shakespeare make his point about love?

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

28. Write on the Women Characters of Shakespeare.
29. What is the connection between language and gender in Shakespeare's "Macbeth".

30. Examine the character of Richard II. In what ways does he contribute to his Own downfall?

31. Romantic love causes several characters to behave foolishly in *Twelfth Night*. Explore three to five examples of foolish behavior brought on by romantic love.

32. Analyse Lamb's views on the tragedies of Shakespeare.