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B.A. English - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS - APRIL 2025

SEMESTER - III

20UELAT3003 - History of English Literature-I (From 1300-1800)

Total Duration : 2 Hrs.30 Mins.

Total Marks : 60

Section B

Answer any **SIX** questions ($6 \times 5 = 30$ Marks)

1. Explain the salient features of metaphysical poetry with reference to the works of John Donne.
2. Describe the significance of Samuel Johnson's *A Dictionary of the English Language*.
3. Classify the political and religious concerns that Sidney addressed in his writings.
4. Describe Geoffrey Chaucer's contribution as the "Father of English Poetry"
5. Explain Alexander Pope's famous statement: "To err is human, to forgive divine".
6. Classify the different Renaissance humanist ideals represented in Christopher Marlowe's *Doctor Faustus*.
7. Describe the life and literary career of William Congreve.
8. Justify the claim that Henry Fielding was one of the pioneers of the modern novel.

Section C

Answer any **THREE** questions ($3 \times 10 = 30$ Marks)

9. Explain the key characteristics of the Renaissance age and how they influenced European society.
10. Classify the different themes in Francis Bacon's essays.
11. Justify the title of William Shakespeare as the 'Father of English Plays.'
12. Classify the University Wits and their common themes.
13. Examine Daniel Defoe's contributions to the rise of the English novel.
