

Roll.No.

20PELCT1001

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(AUTONOMOUS)

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M.A. English - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS - NOVEMBER 2025  
SEMESTER - I

**20PELCT1001 - Age of Chaucer and Elizabethan age**

Total Duration : 2 Hrs. 30 Mins.

Total Marks : 60

### Section B

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

1. Compare and contrast the Pardoner and the Parson based on what Chaucer reveals in the Prologue. How are they used to critique the Church
2. Explain the arguments put forth by Donne against the power of death in "Death, Be Not Proud"
3. Describe the grief of the Wife of Usher's Well after the death of her sons.
4. Discuss Bacon's views on the nature and importance of truth in human life as expressed in his essay "Of Truth."
5. Bring out the significance of the parade of the seven deadly sins in Dr.Faustus
6. Briefly Mephistopheles role does he play in Faustus's downfall.
7. Analyze the character of Hieronimo.
8. Discuss the role of the puppet show and the puppet master in the play Bartholomew Fair.

### Section C

I - Answer any **TWO** questions ( $2 \times 10 = 20$  Marks)

9. Discuss the role of social satire in Chaucer's "Prologue" with reference to the following characters: the Doctor of Physic, the Pardoner, the Manciple, the Prioress, and the Wife of Bath. How does Chaucer reflect the flaws of society through them
10. Spenser's *Epithalamion* moves from public celebration to private union. Discuss how the poem balances sensual love and spiritual love.
11. Discuss the theme of suffering and divine justice in The Book of Job.
12. Analyze the character of Doctor Faustus as a tragic hero

II - Compulsory question ( $1 \times 10 = 10$  Marks)

13. Discuss the theme of revenge in *The Spanish Tragedy*.

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