

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*.
