

2 0 0 7**ENGLISH****FIRST PAPER**

Full Marks : 80

*Time : 3 hours**The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

(New Syllabus)

(Literature and Social History)**SECTION—A**

1. Critically assess the relationship between medieval life and religion, and evaluate the role of faith in determining human conduct. 12

Or

Trace the history of printing and comment on its contribution in democratizing Renaissance thought and culture.

2. Write a note on the impact of the Scientific Revolution in shaping Enlightenment thought. 12

Or

Comment on the contribution of the French philosophical tradition in developing the discourse of the Enlightenment. How did the British respond to the intellectual ferment in the continent?

3. What is Darwinism? Write a note on the influence of Darwinian thought on English literature. 12
4. How did the 'crisis' of Empire speed up the process of decolonization? Give a reasoned answer. 12

Or

Comment on the rise of English studies in the 20th century and assess the factors responsible for its development.

5. How has the advent of contemporary Feminist thought affected the contours of intellectual discourse in the twentieth century? 12

Or

Write a note on the intricate relationships among the media, popular culture and globalization.

(3)

SECTION--- B

6. Write short notes on any *five* of the following :

4x5= 20

- a)* The English Manor
- b)* The Peasant's Revolt
- c)* The University Wits
- d)* Deism
- e)* The Glorious Revolution
- f)* Laissez-faire
- g)* Cubism
- h)* Scrutiny and F. R. Leavis
- i)* McLuhan and Media Studies
- j)* Orientalism