

2019

ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. Answer any *seven* of the following questions  
as directed : 1×7=7
- (a) "So foul and fair a day I have not seen."  
Who said this?
- (b) "Thou shalt get kings, though thou be none."  
Who is 'thou' in the quote?
- (c) Who killed Macbeth?
- (d) What is Henrik Ibsen known as?
- (e) Who is Nora's old school friend?

(f) *Ghashiram Kotwal* was originally written in English.

( State True or False )

(g) What is the play *A Doll's House* based on?

(h) Name the courtesan of Bavannakhani.

2. Answer any *four* of the following questions :

2×4=8

(a) "I have done the deed."

(i) Who is the speaker?

(ii) What does the word 'deed' refer to here?

(b) Describe briefly the mental state of Lady Macbeth as depicted in the sleep-walking scene.

(c) Who is Krogstad, and what is his relationship to the Helmers?

(d) In *A Doll's House*, what is Nora's secret?

(e) How did Ghashiram become Kotwal (Police Chief)?

3. Explain, with reference to the context,  
any *three* of the following : 5×3=15

(a) Duncan is in his grave;  
After life's fitful fever he sleeps well;  
Treason has done his worst: nor steel,  
nor poison,  
Malice domestic, foreign levy, nothing  
Can touch him further.

(b) Infirm of purpose!  
Give me the daggers. The sleeping and  
the dead  
Are but as pictures; 'tis the eye of childhood  
That fears a painted devil.

(c) Despair thy charm;  
And let the angel whom thou still  
hast serv'd  
Tell thee, Macduff was from his  
mother's womb  
Untimely ripp'd.

(d) To be able to free from care, quite free  
from care; to be able to play and romp  
with the children; to be able to keep the  
house beautifully and have everything  
just as Torvald likes it.

(e) From this moment happiness is not the  
question; all that concerns us is to save  
the remains, the fragments, the  
appearance.

4. Answer any *three* of the following questions :

10×3=30

- (a) How do Macbeth and Lady Macbeth act differently after Duncan's murder?
- (b) In *Macbeth*, the Witches' prophecy finally come to be fulfilled. Explain the manner in which they are fulfilled.
- (c) What is the role of Dr. Rank in the play, *A Doll's House*? To what extent does he know Nora better than Torvald?
- (d) Who is Mrs. Linde, and how does she differ from Nora?
- (e) To what extent is Nora a victim of society or Torvald or herself?
- (f) What does Vijay Tendulkar try to depict through the story of the rise and the fall of Ghashiram?
- (g) Do you regard *Ghashiram Kotwal* as a historical play? Give your arguments.

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