

U.G. 4th Semester Examination - 2021**ENGLISH****Course Code : BENGCCHT401****Course Title : British Literature - 18th Century**

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*1. Answer any **ten** of the following questions:

1×10=10

- a) What is the name of the brother of Tom Lizard?
- b) Who considered as a “great transgressor” while telling stories?
- c) Who were the Cavaliers during the reign of Charles I?
- d) In which year did the English Civil War start?
- e) Who are called the “Big-Endians” in the Lilliput land?
- f) Why is Gulliver abandoned by his Shipmates in Book II of *Gulliver's Travels*?
- g) Where did Gulliver escape from the land of Lilliputs?

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- h) What does the land of Blefuscu symbolise in Swift's contemporary political scenario?
- i) “The curfew tolls the knell of parting day” –What Does the word “curfew” mean here?
- j) “Can storied urn or animated bust/Back to its mansion call the fleeting breath?” What does the speaker mean here by the word “mansion”?
- k) What is a nymph?
- l) What is a pastoral song?
- m) When was *The Castle of Otranto* published?
- n) How did Conrad die?
- o) Who frees Theodore from imprisonment?

2. Answer any **five** of the following questions: 2×5=10

- a) ““Faith gentlemen,’ said he, ‘I do not know what makes you look so grave...’” – Who said this and why?
- b) Who are “Guelfes” and “Gibelins”?
- c) What are the professional designations of Lemuel Gulliver?
- d) How does Gulliver extinguish fire at the palace?
- e) “Their name, their years, spelt by the unlettered muse” – What is the significance of the phrase “the unlettered muse”?

- f) “The pensive pleasures sweet/Prepare thy shadowy car.” Bring out the reference to the phrase “thy shadowy car”.
- g) Why does Isabella try to flee from the castle?
- h) Who is Alphonso in *The Castle of Otranto*?
3. Answer any **two** of the following questions: $5 \times 2 = 10$
- a) “Let not Ambition mock their useful toil,/Their homely joys, and destiny obscure;/Nor Grandeur hear with a disdainful smile/The short and simple annals of the poor.” – Explain with reference to the context.
- b) What are the bad habits of a storyteller according to Richard Steele?
- c) How does party spirit spoil the morals of a nation according to Joseph Addison?
4. Answer any **one** of the following questions:
 $10 \times 1 = 10$
- a) Write a short essay on the political allusions mentioned in Book I and II of *Gulliver’s Travels*.
- b) Discuss William Collins’ “Ode to Evening” as a transitional poem.
- c) Write a short essay on the elements of horror and the supernatural in *The Castle of Otranto*?