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READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer **two** questions: **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

At least **one** of the questions you answer must be a **(b) passage-based** question chosen from **either** Section A **or** Section B.

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

All questions in this paper carry equal marks.

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Section A

Answer **one** question from this section.

Remember, at least **one** of the questions you answer must be a **(b) passage-based** question chosen from **either** Section A **or** Section B.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE: *Measure for Measure*

- 1 **Either** (a) What, in your view, does Shakespeare's presentation of relationships between men and women contribute to the play's meaning and effects?
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to language, tone and action, discuss the following passage and its significance in the play.

Escalus: Come you hither to me, Master Tapster; what's your name, Master Tapster?

Pompey: Pompey.

Escalus: What else?

Pompey: Bum, sir. 5

Escalus: Troth, and your bum is the greatest thing about you; so that, in the beastliest sense, you are Pompey the Great. Pompey, you are partly a bawd, Pompey, howsoever you colour it in being a tapster. Are you not? Come, tell me true; it shall be the better for you. 10

Pompey: Truly, sir, I am a poor fellow that would live.

Escalus: How would you live, Pompey – by being a bawd? What do you think of the trade, Pompey? Is it a lawful trade?

Pompey: If the law would allow it, sir.

Escalus: But the law will not allow it, Pompey; nor it shall not be allowed in Vienna. 15

Pompey: Does your worship mean to geld and splay all the youth of the city?

Escalus: No, Pompey.

Pompey: Truly, sir, in my poor opinion, they will to't then. If your worship will take order for the drabs and the knaves, you need not to fear the bawds. 20

Escalus: There is pretty orders beginning, I can tell you: it is but heading and hanging.

Pompey: If you head and hang all that offend that way but for ten year together, you'll be glad to give out a commission for more heads; if this law hold in Vienna ten year, I'll rent the fairest house in it, after threepence a bay. If you live to see this come to pass, say Pompey told you so. 25

Escalus: Thank you, good Pompey; and, in requital of your prophecy, hark you: I advise you, let me not find you before me again upon any complaint whatsoever – no, not for dwelling where you do; if I do, Pompey, I shall beat you to your tent, and prove a shrewd Caesar to you; in plain dealing, 30

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- Pompey, I shall have you whipt. So for this time, Pompey, fare you well. 35
- Pompey:* I thank your worship for your good counsel; [*Aside*] but I shall follow it as the flesh and fortune shall better determine.
- Whip me? No, no; let carman whip his jade; 40
The valiant heart's not whipt out of his trade. [*Exit.*]
- Escalus:* Come hither to me, Master Elbow; come hither, Master Constable. How long have you been in this place of constable?
- Elbow:* Seven year and a half, sir. 45
- Escalus:* I thought, by the readiness in the office, you had continued in it some time. You say seven years together?
- Elbow:* And a half, sir.
- Escalus:* Alas, it hath been great pains to you! They do you wrong to put you so oft upon't. Are there not men in your ward sufficient to serve it? 50
- Elbow:* Faith, sir, few of any wit in such matters; as they are chosen, they are glad to choose me for them; I do it for some piece of money, and go through with all.
- Escalus:* Look you, bring me in the names of some six or seven, the most sufficient of your parish. 55
- Elbow:* To your worship's house, sir?
- Escalus:* To my house. Fare you well. [*Exit ELBOW*]
What's o'clock, think you?
- Justice:* Eleven sir. 60
- Escalus:* I pray you home to dinner with me.
- Justice:* I humbly thank you.
- Escalus:* It grieves me for the death of Claudio;
But there's no remedy.

Act 2, Scene 1

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE: *Richard II*

- 2 Either** (a) Discuss Shakespeare's presentation of the court and the courtiers in the play *Richard II*.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to language, tone and action, discuss the following passage, showing its significance to the play.

Northumberland: My liege, old Gaunt commends him to your Majesty.

King Richard: What says he?

Northumberland: Nay, nothing; all is said.
His tongue is now a stringless instrument;
Words, life, and all, old Lancaster hath spent. 5

York: Be York the next that must be bankrupt so!
Though death be poor, it ends a mortal woe.

King Richard: The ripest fruit first falls, and so doth he;
His time is spent, our pilgrimage must be.
So much for that. Now for our Irish wars. 10
We must supplant those rough rug-headed kerns,
Which live like venom where no venom else
But only they have privilege to live.
And for these great affairs do ask some charge,
Towards our assistance we do seize to us 15
The plate, coin, revenues, and moveables,
Whereof our uncle Gaunt did stand possess'd.

York: How long shall I be patient? Ah, how long
Shall tender duty make me suffer wrong?
Not Gloucester's death, nor Hereford's banishment, 20
Nor Gaunt's rebukes, nor England's private wrongs,
Nor the prevention of poor Bolingbroke
About his marriage, nor my own disgrace,
Have ever made me sour my patient cheek
Or bend one wrinkle on my sovereign's face. 25
I am the last of noble Edward's sons,
Of whom thy father, Prince of Wales, was first.
In war was never lion rag'd more fierce,
In peace was never gentle lamb more mild,
Than was that young and princely gentleman. 30
His face thou hast, for even so look'd he,
Accomplish'd with the number of thy hours;
But when he frown'd, it was against the French
And not against his friends. His noble hand
Did win what he did spend, and spent not that 35
Which his triumphant father's hand had won.
His hands were guilty of no kindred blood,
But bloody with the enemies of his kin.
O Richard! York is too far gone with grief,
Or else he never would compare between – 40

King Richard: Why, uncle, what's the matter?

York: O my liege,
Pardon me, if you please; if not, I, pleas'd
Not to be pardoned, am content withal.
Seek you to seize and gripe into your hands 45

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The royalties and rights of banish'd Hereford?
Is not Gaunt dead? and doth not Hereford live?
Was not Gaunt just? and is not Harry true?
Did not the one deserve to have an heir?
Is not his heir a well-deserving son? 50
Take Hereford's rights away, and take from Time
His charters and his customary rights;
Let not to-morrow then ensue to-day;
Be not thyself, for how art thou a king
But by fair sequence and succession? 55

Act 2, Scene 1

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Section B

Answer **one** question from this section.

Remember, at least **one** of the questions you answer must be a **(b) passage-based** question chosen from **either** Section A **or** Section B.

JANE AUSTEN: *Emma*

- 3 Either (a)** Emma is described as ‘having rather too much [of] her own way, and a disposition to think a little too well of herself.’

Discuss Austen’s development of Emma’s role and characterisation in the light of this comment.

- Or (b)** Paying close attention to the effects of the writing, discuss the following passage, showing its significance in the novel.

At last Jane began, and though the first bars were feebly given, the powers of the instrument were gradually done full justice to. Mrs. Weston had been delighted before, and was delighted again; Emma joined her in all her praise; and the piano-forté, with every proper discrimination, was pronounced to be altogether of the highest promise.

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“Whoever Colonel Campbell might employ,” said Frank Churchill, with a smile at Emma, “the person has not chosen ill. I heard a good deal of Colonel Campbell’s taste at Weymouth; and the softness of the upper notes I am sure is exactly what he and *all that party* would particularly prize. I dare say, Miss Fairfax, that he either gave his friend very minute directions, or wrote to Broadwood himself. Do not you think so?”

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Jane did not look round. She was not obliged to hear. Mrs. Weston had been speaking to her at the same moment.

“It is not fair,” said Emma in a whisper, “mine was a random guess. Do not distress her.”

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He shook his head with a smile, and looked as if he had very little doubt and very little mercy. Soon afterwards he began again,

“How much your friends in Ireland must be enjoying your pleasure on this occasion, Miss Fairfax. I dare say they often think of you, and wonder which will be the day, the precise day of the instrument’s coming to hand. Do you imagine Colonel Campbell knows the business to be going forward just at this time? — Do you imagine it to be the consequence of an immediate commission from him, or that he may have sent only a general direction, an order indefinite as to time, to depend upon contingencies and conveniencies?”

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He paused. She could not but hear; she could not avoid answering,

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“Till I have a letter from Colonel Campbell,” said she, in a voice of forced calmness, “I can imagine nothing with any confidence. It must be all conjecture.”

“Conjecture — aye, sometimes one conjectures right, and sometimes one conjectures wrong. I wish I could conjecture how soon I shall make this rivet quite firm. What nonsense one talks, Miss Woodhouse, when hard at work, if one talks at all; — your real workmen, I suppose, hold their tongues; but we gentlemen labourers if we get hold of a word — Miss Fairfax said something about conjecturing. There, it is done. I have the pleasure, madam, (to Mrs. Bates,) of restoring your spectacles, healed for the present.”

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He was very warmly thanked both by mother and daughter; to escape a little from the latter, he went to the pianoforté, and begged Miss Fairfax, who was still

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sitting at it, to play something more.

“If you are very kind,” said he, “it will be one of the waltzes we danced last night; — let me live them over again. You did not enjoy them as I did; you appeared tired the whole time. I believe you were glad we danced no longer; but I would have given worlds — all the worlds one ever has to give — for another half hour.” 40

She played.

“What felicity it is to hear a tune again which *has* made one happy! — If I mistake not that was danced at Weymouth.”

She looked up at him for a moment, coloured deeply, and played something else. 45

Volume 2, Chapter 10

EMILY BRONTË: *Wuthering Heights*

- 4 **Either** (a) Discuss some of the effects created by Brontë's use of different narrators in *Wuthering Heights*.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to language and tone, discuss the following extract, showing what it contributes to your understanding of the relationship between Heathcliff and Cathy Linton.

"There's a letter for you, Mrs. Linton," I said, gently inserting it in one hand that rested on her knee. "You must read it immediately, because it wants an answer. Shall I break the seal?" "Yes," she answered, without altering the direction of her eyes. I opened it—it was very short. "Now," I continued, "read it." She drew away her hand, and let it fall. I replaced it in her lap, and stood waiting till it should please her to glance down; but that movement was so long delayed that at last I resumed: 5

"Must I read it, ma'am? It is from Mr. Heathcliff."

There was a start and a troubled gleam of recollection, and a struggle to arrange her ideas. She lifted the letter, and seemed to peruse it; and when she came to the signature she sighed: yet still I found she had not gathered its import, 10 for, upon my desiring to hear her reply, she merely pointed to the name, and gazed at me with mournful and questioning eagerness.

"Well, he wishes to see you," said I, guessing her need of an interpreter. "He's in the garden by this time, and impatient to know what answer I shall bring."

As I spoke, I observed a large dog lying on the sunny grass beneath raise its ears as if about to bark, and then smoothing them back, announce, by a wag of the tail, that some one approached whom it did not consider a stranger. Mrs. Linton bent forward, and listened breathlessly. The minute after a step traversed the hall; the open house was too tempting for Heathcliff to resist walking in: most likely he supposed that I was inclined to shirk my promise, and so resolved to trust to his own audacity. With straining eagerness Catherine gazed towards the entrance of her chamber. He did not hit the right room directly, she motioned me to admit him, but he found it out ere I could reach the door, and in a stride or two was at her side, and had her grasped in his arms. 15 20

He neither spoke nor loosed his hold for some five minutes, during which period he bestowed more kisses than ever he gave in his life before, I dare say: but then my mistress had kissed him first, and I plainly saw that he could hardly bear, for downright agony, to look into her face! The same conviction had stricken him as me, from the instant he beheld her, that there was no prospect of ultimate recovery there—she was fated, sure to die. 25 30

"Oh, Cathy! Oh, my life! how can I bear it?" was the first sentence he uttered, in a tone that did not seek to disguise his despair. And now he stared at her so earnestly that I thought the very intensity of his gaze would bring tears into his eyes; but they burned with anguish: they did not melt.

"What now?" said Catherine, leaning back, and returning his look with a suddenly clouded brow: her humour was a mere vane for constantly varying caprices. "You and Edgar have broken my heart, Heathcliff! And you both came to bewail the deed to me, as if you were the people to be pitied! I shall not pity you, not I. You have killed me—and thriven on it, I think. How strong you are! How many years do you mean to live after I am gone?" 35 40

Heathcliff had knelt on one knee to embrace her; he attempted to rise, but she seized his hair, and kept him down.

"I wish I could hold you," she continued bitterly, "till we were both dead! I shouldn't care what you suffered. I care nothing for your sufferings. Why shouldn't you suffer? I do! Will you forget me? Will you be happy when I am in the earth? Will you say twenty years hence, 'That's the grave of Catherine Earnshaw. I loved her 45

long ago, and was wretched to lose her; but it is past. I've loved many others since: my children are dearer to me than she was; and at death, I shall not rejoice that I am going to her: I shall be sorry that I must leave them!' Will you say so, Heathcliff?"

"Don't torture me till I am as mad as yourself," cried he, wrenching his head free, and grinding his teeth. 50

Volume 2, Chapter 1

GEOFFREY CHAUCER: *The Franklin's Prologue and Tale*

- 5 **Either** (a) Discuss some of the effects created by Chaucer's presentation of the contrast between courtly love and marriage in *The Franklin's Prologue and Tale*.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to language and tone, discuss the following extract, showing what it reveals about Chaucer's methods and concerns in *The Franklin's Prologue and Tale*.

At after-soper fille they in tretee
 What somme sholde this maistres gerdon be
 To remoeven alle the rokkes of Britayne,
 And eek from Gerounde to the mouth of Sayne.
 He made it straunge, and swoor, so God hym save, 5
 Lasse than a thousand pound he wolde nat have,
 Ne gladly for that somme he wolde nat goon.
 Aurelius, with blisful herte anoon,
 Answerde thus: "Fy on a thousand pound!
 This wyde world, which that men seye is round, 10
 I wolde it yeve, if I were lord of it.
 This bargayn is ful dryve, for we been knyht.
 Ye shal be payed trewely, by my trouthe!
 But looketh now, for no necligence or slouthe
 Ye tarie us heere no lenger than to-morwe." 15
 "Nay," quod this clerk, "have heer my feith to borwe."
 To bedde is goon Aurelius whan hym leste,
 And wel ny al that nyght he hadde his reste.
 What for his labour and his hope of blisse,
 His woful herte of penaunce hadde a lisse. 20
 Upon the morwe, whan that it was day,
 To Britaigne tooke they the righte way,
 Aurelius and this magicien bisyde,
 And been descended ther they wolde abyde.
 And this was, as thise bookes me remembre, 25
 The colde, frosty seson of Decembre.
 Phebus wax old, and hewed lyk laton,
 That in his hoote declynacion
 Shoon as the burned gold with stremes brighte;
 But now in Capricorn adoun he lighte, 30
 Where as he shoon ful pale, I dar wel seyn.
 The bittre frostes, with the sleet and reyn,
 Destroyed hath the grene in every yerd.
 Janus sit by the fyr, with double berd,
 And drynketh of his bugle horn the wyn; 35
 Biforn hym stant brawen of the tusked swyn,
 And "Nowel" crieth every lusty man.
 Aurelius, in al that evere he kan
 Dooth to this maister chiere and reverence,
 And preyeth hym to doon his diligence 40
 To bryngen hym out of his peynes smerte,
 Or with a swerd that he wolde slitte his herte.

from *The Franklin's Tale*

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CHARLES DICKENS: *Great Expectations*

- 6 **Either** (a) Discuss the significance of Pip's relationship with Estella to the meaning and effects of the novel.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to the detail of the writing, discuss the following passage, showing its significance in the novel.

"This acquitted young woman and Provis," said Herbert, "had a little child: a little child of whom Provis was exceedingly fond. On the evening of the very night when the object of her jealousy was strangled as I tell you, the young woman presented herself before Provis for one moment, and swore that she would destroy the child (which was in her possession), and he should never see it again; then, she vanished. – There's the worst arm comfortably in the sling once more, and now there remains but the right hand, which is a far easier job. I can do it better by this light than by a stronger, for my hand is steadiest when I don't see the poor blistered patches too distinctly. – You don't think your breathing is affected, my dear boy? You seem to breathe quickly." 5

"Perhaps I do, Herbert. Did the woman keep her oath?" 10

"There comes the darkest part of Provis's life. She did."

"That is, he says she did."

"Why, of course, my dear boy," returned Herbert, in a tone of surprise, and again bending forward to get a nearer look at me. "He says it all. I have no other information." 15

"No, to be sure."

"Now, whether," pursued Herbert, "he had used the child's mother ill, or whether he had used the child's mother well, Provis doesn't say; but, she had shared some four or five years of the wretched life he described to us at this fireside, and he seems to have felt pity for her, and forbearance towards her. Therefore, fearing he should be called upon to depose about this destroyed child, and so be the cause of her death, he hid himself (much as he grieved for the child), kept himself dark, as he says, out of the way and out of the trial, and was only vaguely talked of as a certain man called Abel, out of whom the jealousy arose. After the acquittal she disappeared, and thus he lost the child and the child's mother." 20

"I want to ask—" 25

"A moment, my dear boy," said Herbert, "and I have done. That evil genius, Compeyson, the worst of scoundrels among many scoundrels, knowing of his keeping out of the way at that time, and of his reasons for doing so, of course afterwards held the knowledge over his head as a means of keeping him poorer, and working him harder. It was clear last night that this barbed the point of Provis's animosity." 30

"I want to know," said I, "and particularly, Herbert, whether he told you when this happened?" 35

"Particularly? Let me remember, then, what he said as to that. His expression was, 'a round score o' year ago, and a'most directly after I took up wi' Compeyson.' How old were you when you came upon him in the little churchyard?"

"I think in my seventh year."

"Ay. It had happened some three or four years then, he said, and you brought into his mind the little girl so tragically lost, who would have been about your age." 40

"Herbert," said I, after a short silence, in a hurried way, "can you see me best by the light of the window, or the light of the fire?"

"By the firelight," answered Herbert, coming close again.

"Look at me." 45

"I do look at you, my dear boy."

"Touch me."

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“I do touch you, my dear boy.”

“You are not afraid that I am in any fever, or that my head is much disordered
by the accident of last night?” 50

“N-no, my dear boy,” said Herbert, after taking time to examine me. “You are
rather excited, but you are quite yourself.”

“I know I am quite myself. And the man we have in hiding down the river, is
Estella’s Father.”

Volume 3, Chapter 11

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ANDREW MARVELL: *Selected Poems*

- 7 **Either** (a) 'Marvell's poems are more concerned with ideas than with emotion.'

How far, and in what ways, do you agree with this view of Marvell's poetry? You should refer to **three** poems in your answer.

- Or** (b) Paying close attention to the effects of the writing, discuss the following extract from *To His Coy Mistress* and show what it contributes to your understanding of Marvell's poetic methods and concerns.

My vegetable love should grow
 Vaster than empires, and more slow.
 An hundred years should go to praise
 Thine eyes, and on thy forehead gaze.
 Two hundred to adore each breast: 5
 But thirty thousand to the rest.
 An age at least to every part,
 And the last age should show your heart:
 For, Lady, you deserve this state;
 Nor would I love at lower rate. 10
 But at my back I always hear
 Time's wingèd chariot hurrying near:
 And yonder all before us lie
 Deserts of vast eternity.
 Thy beauty shall no more be found; 15
 Nor, in thy marble vault, shall sound
 My echoing song: then worms shall try
 That long-preserved virginity:
 And your quaint honour turn to dust;
 And into ashes all my lust. 20
 The grave's a fine and private place,
 But none, I think, do there embrace.
 Now, therefore, while the youthful glue
 Sits on thy skin like morning dew,
 And while thy willing soul transpires 25
 At every pore with instant fires,
 Now let us sport us while we may;
 And now, like amorous birds of prey,
 Rather at once our time devour,
 Than languish in his slow-chapped power. 30
 Let us roll all our strength, and all
 Our sweetness, up into one ball:
 And tear our pleasures with rough strife,
 Thorough the iron grates of life.
 Thus, though we cannot make our sun 35
 Stand still, yet we will make him run.

from *To his Coy Mistress*

Turn to Page 16 for Question 8.

PERCY BYSSHE SHELLEY: *Selected Poems*

- 8 **Either** (a) Discuss some of the effects created by Shelley's use of symbols and symbolism in his poetry. You should refer to **three** poems in your answer.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to the effects of the writing, discuss the following extract from *The Mask of Anarchy*, showing what it contributes to your understanding of Shelley's methods and concerns.

The Mask of Anarchy

Written on the Occasion of the Massacre at Manchester

As I lay asleep in Italy
There came a voice from over the Sea,
And with great power it forth led me
To walk in the visions of Poesy.

I met Murder on the way—
He had a mask like Castlereagh—
Very smooth he looked, yet grim;
Seven bloodhounds followed him:

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All were fat; and well they might
Be in admirable plight,
For one by one, and two by two,
He tossed them human hearts to chew
Which from his wide cloak he drew.

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Next came Fraud, and he had on,
Like Eldon, an ermined gown;
His big tears, for he wept well,
Turned to mill-stones as they fell.

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And the little children, who
Round his feet played to and fro,
Thinking every tear a gem,
Had their brains knocked out by them.

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Clothed with the Bible, as with light,
And the shadows of the night,
Like Sidmouth, next, Hypocrisy
On a crocodile rode by.

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And many more Destructions played
In this ghastly masquerade,
All disguised, even to the eyes,
Like Bishops, lawyers, peers or spies.

Last came Anarchy: he rode
On a white horse, splashed with blood;
He was pale even to the lips,
Like Death in the Apocalypse.

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And he wore a kingly crown,
And in his grasp a sceptre shone; 35
On his brow this mark I saw—
“I AM GOD, AND KING, AND LAW!”

With a pace stately and fast,
Over English land he past,
Trampling to a mire of blood 40
The adoring multitude.

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