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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: *Richard II*

- 1 **Either** (a) Discuss some of the effects created by Shakespeare's presentation of treason and betrayal in the play.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to the effects of the writing, discuss the following passage, showing what it contributes to your understanding of the role and characterisation of King Richard.

King Richard: Where is the Earl of Wiltshire? Where is Bagot?
What is become of Bushy? Where is Green?
That they have let the dangerous enemy
Measure our confines with such peaceful steps?
If we prevail, their heads shall pay for it. 5
I warrant they have made peace with Bolingbroke.

Scroop: Peace have they made with him indeed, my lord.

King Richard: O villains, vipers, damn'd without redemption!
Dogs, easily won to fawn on any man!
Snakes, in my heart-blood warm'd, that sting my heart! 10
Three Judases, each one thrice worse than Judas!
Would they make peace? Terrible hell make war
Upon their spotted souls for this offence!

Scroop: Sweet love, I see, changing his property,
Turns to the sourest and most deadly hate. 15
Again uncurse their souls; their peace is made
With heads, and not with hands; those whom you curse
Have felt the worst of death's destroying wound
And lie full low, grav'd in the hollow ground.

Aumerle: Is Bushy, Green, and the Earl of Wiltshire dead? 20

Scroop: Ay, all of them at Bristow lost their heads.

Aumerle: Where is the Duke my father with his power?

King Richard: No matter where – of comfort no man speak.
Let's talk of graves, of worms, and epitaphs;
Make dust our paper, and with rainy eyes 25
Write sorrow on the bosom of the earth.
Let's choose executors and talk of wills;
And yet not so – for what can we bequeath
Save our deposed bodies to the ground?
Our lands, our lives, and all, are Bolingbroke's. 30
And nothing can we call our own but death
And that small model of the barren earth
Which serves as paste and cover to our bones.
For God's sake let us sit upon the ground
And tell sad stories of the death of kings: 35
How some have been depos'd, some slain in war,

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Some haunted by the ghosts they have depos'd,
Some poison'd by their wives, some sleeping kill'd,
All murder'd – for within the hollow crown
That rounds the mortal temples of a king 40
Keeps Death his court; and there the antic sits,
Scoffing his state and grinning at his pomp;
Allowing him a breath, a little scene,
To monarchize, be fear'd, and kill with looks;
Infusing him with self and vain conceit, 45
As if this flesh which walls about our life
Were brass impregnable; and, humour'd thus,
Comes at the last, and with a little pin
Bores through his castle wall, and farewell, king!
Cover your heads, and mock not flesh and blood 50
With solemn reverence; throw away respect,
Tradition, form, and ceremonious duty;
For you have but mistook me all this while.
I live with bread like you, feel want,
Taste grief, need friends; subjected thus, 55
How can you say to me I am a king?

Act 3, Scene 2

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE: *The Winter's Tale*

- 2 **Either** (a) Discuss Shakespeare's use of different places to develop the play's meaning and effects.
- Or** (b) Paying careful attention to language, tone and action, show what the following passage contributes to your understanding of the role and characterisation of Leontes.

Leontes: Is he won yet?

Hermione: He'll stay, my lord.

Leontes: At my request he would not.
Hermione, my dearest, thou never spok'st
To better purpose. 5

Hermione: Never?

Leontes: Never but once.

Hermione: What! Have I twice said well? When was't before?
I prithee tell me; cram's with praise, and make's
As fat as tame things. One good deed dying tongueless 10
Slaughters a thousand waiting upon that.
Our praises are our wages; you may ride's
With one soft kiss a thousand furlongs ere
With spur we heat an acre. But to th' goal:
My last good deed was to entreat his stay; 15
What was my first? It has an elder sister,
Or I mistake you. O, would her name were Grace!
But once before I spoke to th' purpose – When?
Nay, let me have 't; I long.

Leontes: Why, that was when 20
Three crabbed months had sour'd themselves to death,
Ere I could make thee open thy white hand
And clap thyself my love; then didst thou utter
'I am yours for ever'.

Hermione: 'Tis Grace indeed. 25
Why, lo you now, I have spoke to th' purpose twice:
The one for ever earn'd a royal husband;
Th' other for some while a friend.

[Giving her hand to POLIXENES.]

Leontes [Aside]: Too hot, too hot! 30
To mingle friendship far is mingling bloods.
I have tremor cordis on me; my heart dances,
But not for joy, not joy. This entertainment
May a free face put on; derive a liberty
From heartiness, from bounty, fertile bosom, 35
And well become the agent. 'T may, I grant;
But to be paddling palms and pinching fingers,
As now they are, and making practis'd smiles
As in a looking-glass; and then to sigh, as 'twere
The mort o' th' deer. O, that is entertainment 40
My bosom likes not, nor my brows! Mamillius,
Art thou my boy?

Mamillius: Ay, my good lord.

Leontes: I' fecks!

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Why, that's my bawcock. What! hast smutch'd thy nose? 45
 They say it is a copy out of mine. Come, Captain,
 We must be neat – not neat, but cleanly, Captain.
 And yet the steer, the heifer, and the calf,
 Are all call'd neat. – Still virginalling
 Upon his palm? – How now, you wanton calf, 50
 Art thou my calf?

Mamillius: Yes, if you will, my lord.

Leontes: Thou want'st a rough pash and the shoots that I have,
 To be full like me; yet they say we are
 Almost as like as eggs. Women say so, 55
 That will say any thing. But were they false
 As o'er-dy'd blacks, as wind, as waters – false
 As dice are to be wish'd by one that fixes
 No bourn 'twixt his and mine; yet were it true
 To say this boy were like me. Come, sir page, 60
 Look on me with your welkin eye. Sweet villain!
 Most dear'st! my collop! Can thy dam? – may't be?
 Affection! thy intention stabs the centre.
 Thou dost make possible things not so held,
 Communicat'st with dreams – how can this be? – 65
 With what's unreal thou coactive art,
 And fellow'st nothing. Then 'tis very credent
 Thou mayst co-join with something; and thou dost –
 And that beyond commission; and I find it,
 And that to the infection of my brains 70
 And hard'ning of my brows.

Act 1, Scene 2

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: *Northanger Abbey*

- 3 **Either** (a) In what ways, and with what effects, does Austen present family relationships in the novel?
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to the effects of the writing, discuss the following passage, showing what it contributes to your understanding of Austen's methods and concerns.

Her fearful curiosity was every moment growing greater; and seizing, with trembling hands, the hasp of the lock, she resolved at all hazards to satisfy herself at least as to its contents. With difficulty, for something seemed to resist her efforts, she raised the lid a few inches; but at that moment a sudden knocking at the door of the room made her, starting, quit her hold, and the lid closed with alarming violence. 5
This ill-timed intruder was Miss Tilney's maid, sent by her mistress to be of use to Miss Morland; and though Catherine immediately dismissed her, it recalled her to the sense of what she ought to be doing, and forced her, in spite of her anxious desire to penetrate this mystery, to proceed in her dressing without further delay. Her progress was not quick, for her thoughts and her eyes were still bent on the object so well calculated to interest and alarm; and though she dared not waste a moment upon a second attempt, she could not remain many paces from the chest. At length, however, having slipped one arm into her gown, her toilette seemed so nearly finished, that the impatience of her curiosity might safely be indulged. One moment surely might be spared; and, so desperate should be the exertion of her strength, that, unless secured by supernatural means, the lid in one moment should be thrown back. With this spirit she sprang forward, and her confidence did not deceive her. Her resolute effort threw back the lid, and gave to her astonished eyes the view of a white cotton counterpane, properly folded, reposing at one end of the chest in undisputed possession! 20

She was gazing on it with the first blush of surprize, when Miss Tilney, anxious for her friend's being ready, entered the room, and to the rising shame of having harboured for some minutes an absurd expectation, was then added the shame of being caught in so idle a search. "That is a curious old chest, is not it?" said Miss Tilney, as Catherine hastily closed it and turned away to the glass. "It is impossible to say how many generations it has been here. How it came to be first put in this room I know not, but I have not had it moved, because I thought it might sometimes be of use in holding hats and bonnets. The worst of it is that its weight makes it difficult to open. In that corner, however, it is at least out of the way." 25

Catherine had no leisure for speech, being at once blushing, tying her gown, and forming wise resolutions with the most violent dispatch. Miss Tilney gently hinted her fear of being late; and in half a minute they ran down stairs together, in an alarm not wholly unfounded, for General Tilney was pacing the drawing-room, his watch in his hand, and having, on the very instant of their entering, pulled the bell with violence, ordered "Dinner to be on table *directly*!" 30 35

Volume 2, Chapter 6

EMILY BRONTË: *Wuthering Heights*

- 4 **Either** (a) What, in your view, does the relationship between Hareton and Catherine contribute to the novel's meaning and effects?
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to the effects of the writing, discuss the following passage, showing what it contributes to the presentation of Cathy Linton.

About the middle of the night, I was wakened from my first nap by Mrs. Linton gliding into my chamber, taking a seat on my bedside, and pulling me by the hair to rouse me.

"I cannot rest, Ellen," she said, by way of apology. "And I want some living creature to keep me company in my happiness! Edgar is sulky, because I'm glad of a thing that does not interest him: he refuses to open his mouth, except to utter pettish, silly speeches; and he affirmed I was cruel and selfish for wishing to talk when he was so sick and sleepy. He always contrives to be sick at the least cross! I gave a few sentences of commendation to Heathcliff, and he, either for a headache or a pang of envy, began to cry: so I got up and left him." 5 10

"What use is it praising Heathcliff to him?" I answered. "As lads they had an aversion to each other, and Heathcliff would hate just as much to hear him praised: it's human nature. Let Mr. Linton alone about him, unless you would like an open quarrel between them."

"But does it not show great weakness?" pursued she. "I'm not envious: I never feel hurt at the brightness of Isabella's yellow hair and the whiteness of her skin, at her dainty elegance, and the fondness all the family exhibit for her. Even you, Nelly, if we have a dispute sometimes, you back Isabella at once; and I yield like a foolish mother: I call her a darling, and flatter her into a good temper. It pleases her brother to see us cordial, and that pleases me. But they are very much alike: they are spoiled children, and fancy the world was made for their accommodation; and though I humour both, I think a smart chastisement might improve them, all the same." 15 20

"You're mistaken, Mrs. Linton," said I. "They humour you: I know what there would be to do if they did not. You can well afford to indulge their passing whims as long as their business is to anticipate all your desires. You may, however, fall out, at last, over something of equal consequence to both sides; and then those you term weak are very capable of being as obstinate as you." 25

"And then we shall fight to the death, shan't we, Nelly?" she returned, laughing. "No! I tell you, I have such faith in Linton's love, that I believe I might kill him, and he wouldn't wish to retaliate." 30

I advised her to value him the more for his affection.

"I do," she answered, "but, he needn't resort to whining for trifles. It is childish; and, instead of melting into tears, because I said that Heathcliff was now worthy of any one's regard, and it would honour the first gentleman in the country to be his friend; he ought to have said it for me, and been delighted from sympathy – He must get accustomed to him, and he may as well like him – considering how Heathcliff has reason to object to him, I'm sure he behaved excellently!" 35

Volume 1, Chapter 10

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

5 Either (a) 'A man of worship and honour'.

Discuss Chaucer's presentation of Aurelius the squire in the light of this comment.

Or (b) Paying close attention to the poetic methods, discuss the following passage, showing what it contributes to Chaucer's concerns in *The Franklin's Prologue and Tale*.

"In yow lith al to do me lyve or deye —
 But wel I woot the rokkes been aweye."
 He taketh his leve, and she astoned stood;
 In al hir face nas a drope of blood.
 She wende nevere han come in swich a trappe. 5
 "Allas," quod she, "that evere this sholde happe!
 For wende I nevere by possibilitee
 That swich a monstre or mervelle myghte be!
 It is agayns the proces of nature."
 And hoom she goth a sorweful creature; 10
 For verray feere unnethe may she go.
 She wepeth, wailleth, al a day or two,
 And swowneth, that it routhe was to see.
 But why it was to no wight tolde shee,
 For out of towne was goon Arveragus. 15
 But to herself she spak, and seyde thus,
 With face pale and with ful sorweful cheere,
 In hire compleynt, as ye shal after heere:
 "Allas," quod she, "on thee, Fortune, I pleyne,
 That unwar wrapped hast me in thy cheyne, 20
 Fro which t'escape woot I no socour,
 Save oonly deeth or elles dishonour;
 Oon of thise two bihoveth me to chese.
 But nathelees, yet have I levere to lese
 My lif than of my body to have a shame, 25
 Or knowe myselven fals, or lese my name;
 And with my deth I may be quyt, ywis.
 Hath ther nat many a noble wyf er this,
 And many a mayde, yslayn herself, alas,
 Rather than with hir body doon trespass? 30
 "Yis, certes, lo, thise stories beren witnesse:
 Whan thritty tirauntz, ful of cursednesse,
 Hadde slayn Phidon in Atthenes atte feste,
 They comanded his doghtres for t'arestre
 And bryngen hem biforn hem in despit, 35
 Al naked, to fulfille hir foul delit,
 And in hir fadres blood they made hem daunce
 Upon the pavement, God yeve hem meschaunce!
 For which thise woful maydens, ful of drede,
 Rather than they wolde lese hir maydenhede, 40
 They prively been stirt into a welle
 And dreynte hemselven, as the bookes telle.

from *The Franklin's Tale*

THOMAS HARDY: *Tess of the d'Urbervilles*

- 6 **Either** (a) How, and with what effects, does Hardy present morality in the novel?
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to the effects of the writing, discuss the following passage, showing what it contributes to your understanding of the role and characterisation of Tess.

'I shan't come back,' said she.
 'I thought you wouldn't – I said so! Well, then, put up your baskets, and let me help you on.'
 She listlessly placed her basket and bundle within the dog-cart, and stepped up, and they sat side by side. She had no fear of him now, and in the cause of her confidence her sorrow lay. 5
 D'Urberville mechanically lit a cigar, and the journey was continued with broken unemotional conversation on the commonplace objects by the wayside. He had quite forgotten his struggle to kiss her when, in the early summer, they had driven in the opposite direction along the same road. But she had not, and she sat now, like a puppet, replying to his remarks in monosyllables. After some miles they came in view of the clump of trees beyond which the village of Marlott stood. It was only then that her still face showed the least emotion, a tear or two beginning to trickle down. 10
 'What are you crying for?' he coldly asked.
 'I was only thinking that I was born over there,' murmured Tess. 15
 'Well – we must all be born somewhere.'
 'I wish I had never been born – there or anywhere else!'
 'Pooh! Well, if you didn't wish to come to Trantridge why did you come?'
 She did not reply.
 'You didn't come for love of me, that I'll swear.' 20
 'Tis quite true. If I had gone for love o' you, if I had ever sincerely loved you, if I loved you still, I should not so loathe and hate myself for my weakness as I do now! ... My eyes were dazed by you for a little, and that was all.'
 He shrugged his shoulders. She resumed –
 'I didn't understand your meaning till it was too late.' 25
 'That's what every woman says.'
 'How can you dare to use such words!' she cried, turning impetuously upon him, her eyes flashing as the latent spirit (of which he was to see more some day) awoke in her. 'My God! I could knock you out of the gig! Did it never strike your mind that what every woman says some women may feel?' 30
 'Very well,' he said, laughing; 'I am sorry to wound you. I did wrong – I admit it.' He dropped into some little bitterness as he continued: 'Only you needn't be so everlastingly flinging it in my face. I am ready to pay to the uttermost farthing. You know you need not work in the fields or the dairies again. You know you may clothe yourself with the best, instead of in the bald plain way you have lately affected, as if you couldn't get a ribbon more than you earn.' 35
 Her lip lifted slightly, though there was little scorn, as a rule, in her large and impulsive nature.
 'I have said I will not take anything more from you, and I will not – I cannot! I *should* be your creature to go on doing that, and I won't!' 40

Chapter 12

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ANDREW MARVELL: *Selected Poems*

- 7 **Either** (a) In what ways, and with effects, does Marvell present women in his poetry? You should refer to **three** poems in your answer.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to language, form and structure, discuss the following extract from *The Garden*, showing what it contributes to your understanding of Marvell's methods and concerns.

1	How vainly men themselves amaze To win the palm, the oak, or bays, And their uncessant labours see Crowned from some single herb or tree, Whose short and narrow vergèd shade	5
2	Does prudently their toils upbraid, While all flow'rs and all trees do close To weave the garlands of repose.	
3	Fair Quiet, have I found thee here, And Innocence, thy sister dear! Mistaken long, I sought you then In busy companies of men. Your sacred plants, if here below, Only among the plants will grow.	10
4	Society is all but rude, To this delicious solitude.	15
5	No white nor red was ever seen So am'rous as this lovely green. Fond lovers, cruel as their flame, Cut in these trees their mistress' name. Little, alas, they know, or heed, How far these beauties hers exceed! Fair trees! wheres'e'er your barks I wound, No name shall but your own be found.	20
6	When we have run our passion's heat, Love hither makes his best retreat. The gods, that mortal beauty chase, Still in a tree did end their race. Apollo hunted Daphne so, Only that she might laurel grow.	25
7	And Pan did after Syrinx speed, Not as a nymph, but for a reed.	30
8	What wondrous life is this I lead! Ripe apples drop about my head; The luscious clusters of the vine Upon my mouth do crush their wine; The nectarene, and curious peach,	35

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Into my hands themselves do reach;
Stumbling on melons, as I pass,
Ensnared with flowers, I fall on grass. 40

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Meanwhile the mind, from pleasures less,
Withdraws into its happiness:
The mind, that ocean where each kind
Does straight its own resemblance find,
Yet it creates, transcending these, 45
Far other worlds, and other seas,
Annihilating all that's made
To a green thought in a green shade.

from *The Garden*

PERCY BYSSHE SHELLEY: *Selected Poems*

- 8 **Either** (a) Discuss some of the effects created by Shelley's presentation of different kinds of conflict. You should refer to **three** poems in your answer.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to poetic methods and their effects, discuss the extract from *To a Sky-Lark*, showing what it contributes to your understanding of Shelley's concerns.

Teach us, Sprite or Bird,
 What sweet thoughts are thine:
 I have never heard
 Praise of love or wine
 That panted forth a flood of rapture so divine. 5

Chorus Hymeneal,
 Or triumphal chant,
 Matched with thine would be all
 But an empty vaunt,
 A thing wherein we feel there is some hidden want. 10

What objects are the fountains
 Of thy happy strain?
 What fields or waves or mountains?
 What shapes of sky or plain?
 What love of thine own kind? what ignorance of pain? 15

With thy clear keen joyance
 Languor cannot be:
 Shadow of annoyance
 Never came near thee;
 Thou lovest—but ne'er knew love's sad satiety. 20

Waking or asleep,
 Thou of death must deem
 Things more true and deep
 Than we mortals dream,
 Or how could thy notes flow in such a crystal stream? 25

We look before and after,
 And pine for what is not:
 Our sincerest laughter
 With some pain is fraught;
 Our sweetest songs are those that tell of saddest thought. 30

Yet if we could scorn
 Hate and pride and fear;
 If we were things born
 Not to shed a tear,
 I know not how thy joy we ever should come near. 35

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Better than all measures
Of delightful sound,
Better than all treasures
That in books are found,
Thy skill to poet were, thou Scornor of the ground! 40

Teach me half the gladness
That thy brain must know,
Such harmonious madness
From my lips would flow
The world should listen then—as I am listening now. 45

from *To a Sky-Lark*

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