

Model Questions for M A English *Literature*  
Admissions 2015-16

There will be 100 objective questions based on (A) Language Ability (25 marks), (B) Literary quiz (25 marks) and (C) domain knowledge (50 marks).

(A) Language Ability

1. Mark the correct answer:

i. I would like to ..... these books for three days.

Choose the appropriate word from the following to fill in the blank:

a. dial

b. join

c. weigh

d. borrow

ii. Which of the following sentences is correct?

a. I make about 10 phone calls in a day.

b. I make about 10 phone calls a day.

iii. The weather is extremely hot ..... the moment.

Choose the appropriate preposition from the following to fill in the blank:

a. in

b. at

c. by

d. of

iv. I *tried* the shoes ..... , but they did not fit.

Choose the appropriate option from the following to fill in the blank with a phrasal verb:

- a. in
- b. at
- c. on
- d. of

v. The meaning of "Locale" is

- a. Setting
- b. Stage
- c. Audience

(B) Literary Quizz

2. Mark the correct answer:

- i. "His skin is like a sandpaper." This is an example of
  - a. Simile
  - b. Metaphor
  - c. Pun
- ii. What is the metrical stress of the line "If music be the food of love, play on?"
  - a. Iamb
  - b. Trochee
  - c. Amphibrach
- iii. "My words fly up, my thoughts remain below." This is an example of
  - a. Antonym
  - b. Antithesis
  - c. Personification
- iv. "The fair breeze blew, the white foam flew,

The furrow followed free.”

This is an example of

- a. Assonance
  - b. Alliteration
  - c. Onomatopoeia
- v. “I love reading Shakespeare.” Is an example of
- a. Metaphor
  - b. Metonymy
  - c. Synecdoche

© Domain Knowledge

3. Mark the correct answer:

- i. *The Prologue to the Canterbury Tales* was written by
  - a. John Wycliff
  - b. Geoffrey Chaucer
  - c. Edward-III
  - d. Sir John Mandeville
- ii. Sir Thomas More’s *Utopia* was published in the year
  - a. 1516
  - b. 1547
  - c. 1525
  - d. 1536
- iii. The name of a famous literary essay of Sir Philip Sydney is
  - a. *Astrophel and Stella*
  - b. *Arcadia*
  - c. *An Apology for Poetry*

- iv. The original meaning of Greek “bathos” means
- depth
  - sublime
  - fabulous
  - absurd
- v. Boxer is a character in
- Shakespeare’s *Much Ado about Nothing*
  - Marlow’s *Tamburlaine*
  - George Orwell’s *Animal Farm*
  - Pope’s *An Essay on Criticism*
- vi. The name of a sonnet written by P. B. Shelley is
- On His Blindness
  - Ozymandias
  - On First Looking at Chapman’s Homer
  - Ecclesiastical Sonnets
- vii. The counterpart of American New Historicism in Britain is known as
- Frankfurt School
  - Cultural Materialism
  - Subaltern
  - Deconstruction
- viii. Gynocriticism is
- about finding a gender of the writers.
  - about women’s hidden consciousness.
  - about social conditioning of women.
  - about examining the tradition of women authors.

- ix. The term “allegory” is taken from Greek
- a. allēgoria
  - b. allegro
  - c. Apollyon
  - d. alliteration
- x. “With an armed and resolved hand,  
I’ll strip the ragged follies of the time,”

This extract of Ben Jonson is from

- a. Every Man in His Humour
- b. Every Man out of His Humour
- c. Volpone
- d. The Alchemist