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(February)

ENGLISH

(Honours)

(Poetry—I)

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

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

Answer Question No. **1** and *any* **four** from the rest

1. Explain with reference to the context (any *three*) :   5×3=15

   (a) He knew the taverns well in every town
   And every innkeeper and barmaid too
   Better than lepers, beggars and that crew.

   (b) For all the rest, however fair it be,
   Shall turn to nought and lose that
   glorious hue;
   But only that is permanent and free
   From frail corruption that doth flesh ensue.

   (c) Sunk though he be beneath the watery floor;
   So sinks the day-star in the ocean bed
   And yet anon repairs his drooping head
   And tricks his beams and with new-
   spangled ore
   Flames in the forehead of the morning sky;

   (d) Far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife
   Their sober wishes never learn'd to stray;
   Along the cool sequester'd vale of life
   They kept the noiseless tenour of their way.

   (e) Ah quit not the free innocence of life,
   For the dull glory of a virtuous wife;
   Nor let false shews, or empty titles please :
   Aim not at joy, but rest content with ease.

2. Elaborate on John Donne's use of metaphysical conceits to bring out the central theme in *The Relique*.   15

3. Give a critical appreciation of the poem, *Sonnet 60*.   15

4. What does 'the world and all her train' refer to in Henry Vaughan's poem, *The World*? Critically examine the various pursuits of 'the world' as described by the poet.   5+10=15

5. "But at my back I always hear Time's winged chariot hurrying near;" Discuss how the speaker uses a series of images to convince his coy mistress to 'seize the day'.   15

6. Who is Voiture? How does Pope use the
example of Voiture to expound on the
personality of a writer and the immortality of
his art?   5+10=15

7. Who, according to Spenser, is the origin of
all true beauty? Elaborate on the poet's
idea of true beauty in the poem, *Amoretti* ;
Sonnet No. 79.   5+10=15

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