

TILAK MAHARASHTRA VIDYAPEETH, PUNE
MASTER OF ARTS (M.A.) English (Part II)
MAY 2010 EXAMINATION

Sub : Special Author : William Shakespeare (E-203)

Date: 20/05/2010

Total marks: 100

Time: 2.00pm to 5.00pm

Instructions :

- 1) All questions are compulsory.
- 2) Each question carries 20 marks.
- 3) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

Q. 1. a) Write a descriptive note on the characteristics of the Elizabethan Age. **(20)**

OR

b) What were the stage and theatre conventions during Shakespeare's days?

Q. 2. a) What are the A.C. Bradley's views on Shakespearean Tragedy? **(20)**

OR

b) Discuss the substance of Shakespearean Tragedy according to A.C. Bradley.

Q. 3. a) Discuss the characters of Caliban and Ariel. **(20)**

OR

b) Discuss the character of Prospero.

Q. 4. a) Comment in detail on the play 'The Tempest' as a tragi-comedy. Give reasons for your answer. **(20)**

OR

b) Comment on the theme of the play 'The Merchant of Venice'.

Q. 5. Write short notes on any two :- **(20)**

- a) Romantic comedy of Shakespeare.
- b) Catharsis.
- c) Material for the historical plays of Shakespeare.
- d) Blank verse in Shakespeare's work.