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BACHELOR OF ARTS EXAMINATION 2019

First Year Second Semester ENGLISH (HONOURS) Rhetoric and Composition

Time: Two Hours Full marks: 30

Answer all the questions. Figures within parentheses indicate full marks for each question.

1. Attempt a critique of the poem given below. (7)

Mirror

I am silver and exact. I have no preconceptions.

What ever you see I swallow immediately

Just as it is, unmisted by love or dislike.

I am not cruel, only truthful---

The eye of a little god, four-cornered.

Most of the time I meditate on the opposite wall.

It is pink, with speckles. I have looked at it so long

I think it is a part of my heart. But it flickers.

Faces and darkness separate us over and over.

Now I am a lake. A woman bends over me,

Searching my reaches for what she really is.

Then she turns to those liars, the candles or the moon.

I see her back, and reflect it faithfully.

She rewards me with tears and an agitation of hands.

I am important to her. She comes and goes.

Each morning it is her face that replaces the darkness.

In me she has drowned a young girl, and in me an old woman

Rises toward her day after day, like a terrible fish.

- 2. Correct the following as **bibliographical entries**, paying attention to formatting, capitalisation, and arrangement. (5)
- i) Elizabeth Bennet, 'women of substance: Jane Austen's Heroines' (unpublished doctoral dissertation in the archives of the University of Pemberley, submitted in 1965).
- ii) Hawa Hawaii, *Hawa Hawaii's journey in hawaii*. Editor is PakaluPapito, Translator is Taher Shah. Braavos: Adele Dazeem, 2002.
- iii) Dev Das. foreword. *Sapphic Sisters: Paro and Chandramukhi*. By Sarat Chandra. Fire Books. Queernagar. Pages 7-10. 2008.
- iv) Bai, Jalebi. "queen of sweets". delicacies of India. Rasgulla Radio. YUMMY, Mithaipur.Interview by SandeshNaaru. 19 Nov. 2014. Radio.
- v) Anthony Trollope. Can You Forgive Her? London: Oxford University Press, 2005.Ed. Dinah Birch.

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- 3. Find out the figure of speech used in each of the following sentences: (7)
 - i) He walked the boards for a living
- ii) She looked at the faded photo with suspicion and a magnifying glass
- iii) England expects every man to do his duty
- iv) I flee who chases me, and chase who flees me
- v) Why all this toil and trouble?
- vi) A little noiseless noise among the leaves
- vii) Winter kept us warm, covering Earth in forgetful snow
- 4. Scan the following stanza and name the meter(s): (5)

Kiss me: oh! thy lips are cold; Round my neck thine arms enfold --They are soft, but chill and dead; And they tears upon my head Burn like points of frozen lead.

- 5. Attempt any one of the following questions: (6)
- i) Trace the development of translation studies as an academic discipline.
- ii) "Translation is a problem-solving activity." Elucidate.