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**HXE 210 – 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Novels**

Masa : 3 jam

**THIS EXAMINATION PAPER CONTAINS SIX [6] QUESTIONS IN THREE [3] PAGES.**

**SECTION A:**

Answer **TWO** [2] questions from Section A.

1. **EITHER**

- [a] How is the concept of 'bad from birth' or hereditary vice depicted in *Oliver Twist*?

[100 marks]

**OR**

- [b] Compare and contrast the characters of Nancy and Rose. Do they challenge or support Victorian stereotypes of social class?

[100 marks]

2. **EITHER**

- [a] 'The child is a mother to the woman.' To what extent is this true of Jane Eyre, in terms of spiritual growth and maturity?

[100 marks]

**OR**

- [b] Discuss various incidents involving paranormal/ supernatural experiences in *Jane Eyre*. What are the functions of these supernatural incidents?

[100 marks]

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3. **EITHER**

- [a] Discuss how religion affects the life of characters in *Silas Marner*.

[100 marks]

**OR**

- [b] What is the purpose of introducing the peddler as a suspect in the robbery? To what extent does the suspicion reflect the residents of Raveloe's attitude towards outsiders?

[100 marks]

**SECTION B:**

Answer **ANY TWO [2]** questions.

4. **EITHER**

- [a] In your opinion, which animals seem most like human beings in Animal Farm?

[100 marks]

**OR**

- [b] In reference to the political system practiced in Animal Farm, discuss how the ruling authorities enhance and maintain its power.

[100 marks]

5. **EITHER**

- [a] Discuss how the "Other" has been portrayed in A Passage to India?

[100 marks]

**OR**

- [b] Compare and contrast the characters of Aziz and Fielding in A Passage to India?

[100 marks]

6. **EITHER**

- [a] Discuss Mr. Biswas' "in search of authority" in A House For Mr. Biswas.

[100 marks]

**OR**

- [b] The character of Mrs. Tulsi challenges the traditional and stereotypical portrayal of women. Discuss.

[100 marks]

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