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**M.A. Semester Examinations**  
**Shakespeare and his Contemporaries**  
**Course Code: MEN23502T**

**Full Marks –50**

**Time – 2 hours**

*The figure in the margin indicates full marks for the questions.*

**Q1. Answer the following Multiple-Choice Questions:**

**1x10 = 10**

- i) Dr. Faustus is compared to which Greek mythological character ?**
  - a) Hercules
  - b) Perseus
  - c) Theseus
  - d) Icarus
- ii) Who requested Dr. Faustus to bring Helen of Troy ?**
  - a) Scholars
  - b) Lucifer
  - c) Robin
  - d) Satan
- iii) Who is Alonso's son ?**
  - a) Antonio
  - b) Ferdinand
  - c) Sebastian
  - d) Prospero
- iv) Why did Prospero keep Caliban as a slave ?**
  - a) He fell in love with Miranda.
  - b) He is the son of Sycorax.
  - c) He wanted to murder Prospero.
  - d) He made friendship with Ariel.
- v) Who wanted to kill Alonso to capture the kingdom of Naples?**
  - a) Prospero
  - b) Ferdinand
  - c) Sebastian and Antonio
  - d) Caliban
- vi) Why did Abel Drugger come to meet Subtle ?**
  - a) He was his brother.
  - b) To take advice on his new business.

- c) To solve their problems.
- d) To take revenge.
- vii) **When was the play “*The Alchemist*” published ?**
  - a) 1615
  - b) 1613
  - c) 1610
  - d) 1611
- viii) **What is the full name of Ben Jonson ?**
  - a) Ben G Jonson
  - b) Benjamin Jonson
  - c) Bendrea Johnson
  - d) Ben Johnson
- ix) **What kind of a play is “*The Duchess of Malfi*?”**
  - a) Satire
  - b) Comedy
  - c) Tragedy
  - d) Tragi-Comedy
- x) **Why does Brabantio dislike Othello ?**
  - a) He married Desdemona
  - b) He was a Black Moor
  - c) He was the favourite of the Duke
  - d) He made friendship with the Turks

**Q2. Answer any two out of the four questions. 5 x 2 = 10**

*The word limit for answering these questions are 200-300 words*

- a) Discuss the role of Good Angel and Bad Angel in the conscience of Dr. Faustus ?
- b) Write a character sketch of Prospero.
- c) Discuss the role of female characters in the play “*The Alchemist*.”
- d) Does Othello deserve to be called the “noble Moor?” Discuss.

**Q3. Answer any three out of the five questions.**

**10 x 3 = 30**

*The word limit for answering these questions are 350-400 words*

- a) Discuss Dr. Faustus as a tragic hero.
- b) Discuss the significance and aptness of the title “*The Tempest*.”
- c) Comment on “*The Alchemist*” as a social satire on the follies and vices of mankind.
- d) Discuss “*The Duchess of Malfi*” as a revenge tragedy.
- e) “Iago is the director of the tragedy and all other characters of the drama play second fiddle to him.” Do you agree with the statement. Explain.