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MAEG-02

**M.A. (English) (Previous) EXAMINATION,
June, 2008**

ENGLISH LITERATURE

Paper MAEG-02

(Renaissance to Jacobean Age)

Time allowed : Three hours

Maximum marks : 80

*Attempt any five questions. All
questions carry equal marks.*

1. Explain any four of the following with reference to context adding critical comments wherever necessary :

(i) A peire of beds, gauded al with grene,
And thereon heng a brooch of gold ful sheene,
On which there was first write a crowned A,
And after 'Amor Vincit Omnia

(ii) And wilt thou leave me thus
That hath given thee my heart,
Never for to depart,

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Other for pain nor smart
And wilt thou leave me thus ?

(iii) Was this the face that launch'd a thousand ships,
And burnt the topless towers of Ilium ?
Sweet Helen, make me immortal with a kiss –

(iv) That which is past is gone and irrevocable, and wise
men have enough to do with things present and to
come, therefore they do but trifle with themselves,
that labour in past matters.

(v) Alas, alas, who's injured by my love ?
What merchant's ships have my sighs drowned ?
Who says my tears have overflowed his ground ?
When did my colds a forward spring remove ?

(vi) I will have such revenges on you both
That all the world shall – I will do such things -
What they are yet I know not, but they shall be
The terrors of the earth.

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2. Consider 'The Prologue' of G. Chaucer as a portrait gallery
of the fourteenth century England. 16

3. What is an allegory ? Discuss 'Faerie Queen' as an
allegorical poem. 16

4. Write a note on the poetry of Wyatt and Earl of Surrey.
What are the elements of Elizabethan poetry in them ? 16
5. Elaborate the plot construction of 'The Alchemist' by Ben Jonson. 16
6. Sketch the character of Dr. Faustus. 16
7. Discuss the prose style of Francis Bacon with reference to the essays you have studied. 16
8. Discuss the metaphysical elements in the poetry of John Donne. 16
9. Point out the romantic elements in the comedy 'As you like It' by W. Shakespeare. 16
10. "King Lear is more sinned against than sinning." Do you agree ? 16