## UNIT–IV
## (Poetry)

**5. Answer *any one* of the following questions: 10**

(i) Write a note on the thematic concern of Milton's sonnet "On His Blindness".

(ii) Express the central idea of Shakespeare's Sonnet 116 "Marriage of True Minds".

**6. Attempt a short note on *any one* of the following: 4**

(i) Metaphor and Personification

(ii) Concept of Love in Shakespeare's Sonnet 116.

## UNIT-V
## (Short Story)

**7. Answer *any one* of the following questions: 10**

(i) Describe how the title of Saki's "The Open Window" relates to the central theme of the story.

(ii) Discuss the salient themes underlying in the story "After Twenty Years" by O. Henry.

**8. Attempt a short note on *any one* of the following: 4**

(i) Mr. Framton Nuttel

(ii) Jimmy Wells

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# UG Odd Semester Examination, March, 2023

## PERFORMING ARTS

(1st Semester)

Course No.: BPAAEC-101

**(English)**

*Full Marks: 70*

*Pass Marks: 28*

*Time: 3 hours*

***The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.***

***Attempt any one question from each unit.***

## UNIT-I
## (Essential Grammar)

1. **Rewrite the following sentences as directed: 1x14=14**

(i). He was _____ old man with _____ gentle face. He was also _____ man who had _____ umbrella in hand. (Use articles wherever necessary)

(ii) Sheldon is brave than hid friends. (Make necessary corrections)

(iii) _____ hour before that, _____ European came here. (Use articles wherever necessary)

(iv) My mother told me that I was wrong. (Transform into direct speech)

(v) He (stay) _____ here until you return. (Use the correct verb forms)

(vi) The house is _____ fire. (Insert proper preposition)

(vii) Rahul went to the school despite of having a fever. (Make necessary corrections)

(viii) The teacher said to Shelley, "Why are you laughing?" (Transform into indirect speech)

(ix) This house is _____sale. (Insert proper preposition)

(x) It (rain) _____ since morning. (Use the correct verb forms)

(xi) The boy said, "Let me come in". (Transform into indirect speech)

(xii) Do you have any idea where he is going? (Make necessary corrections)

(xiii) He came _____8 o'clock. (Insert proper preposition)

(xiv) He goes to church in _____ morning. (Use appropriate article)

## UNIT–II
## (Composition – I)

**2. Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: 14**

Swami Vivekananda, once speaking in America, told of a young man, who came to a religious teacher and said that he wanted to find God. The sage smiled and said nothing. The young man returned time after time, ever repeating his desire, his longing to find God. After many days, the sage told him to accompany him as he went to the river to take his morning bath, and when both were in the river, the sage took hold of the young man and plunged him under the surface of the water and held him there. The young man struggled incessantly to shake off his hold. Finally, the sage raised him out of water, and asked him, "My son, what did you long for most under water?" "A breath of air", gasped the youth. "Thus, if you have this longing after God, verily he shall be found by you", said the sage.

**Questions:**

(i) Why did the young man go to the religious teacher? 2

(ii) What did the religious teacher do when approached for the first time? 2

(iii) Why did the young man repeat his visits? 2

(iv) What was he told after many days? 2

(v) What did the sage do when the young man obeyed him? 2

(vi) What did the youth do when he was kept under water? 2

(vii) What was the lesson taught to the young man by the sage? 2

## Unit–III
## (Composition – II)

3. Recently your department held a Seminar on the occasion of World Theatre Day. Write a report in not more than 200 words for the annual magazine to be published soon. You are Ankit/Ankita. 7

4. Write a letter to the Editor of an English daily, about the present sorry state of affairs in the government hospitals. Sign as Raman/Rita. 7