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Qualifying : English Elective—Paper I (Novel)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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Answer question No. 1 which is
compulsory and *three* others.

1. Write short notes on :

(a) Pip as both a narrator and a character.

Or

The role of social class in *Great Expectations*.

P.T.O.

(b) Lady Catherine de Bourgh

Or

Wickham

(c) Tom Buchanan.

Or

The significance of the "valley of ashes".

(d) The title of the novel *The Bachelor of Arts*.

Or

Ganpathi Sastrigal.

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2. Discuss the character of Miss Havisham. How does she relate to Pip and Estella ?

Or

What are the conflicts in *Great Expectations* ? What types of conflict (physical, moral, intellectual or emotional) did you notice in this novel ?

3. Jane Austen's original title for the novel was *First Impressions*. What role do first impressions play in *Pride and Prejudice* ?

Or

Discuss the theme of marriage in *Pride and Prejudice*. 20

4. How does *Gatsby* represent the American dream ? In what ways do the themes of dreams, wealth, and time relate to each other in the novel's exploration of the idea of America ?

Or

Compare and contrast *Gatsby* and *Tom*. Given the extremely negative light in which *Tom* is portrayed throughout the novel, why might *Daisy* choose to remain with him instead of leaving him for *Gatsby* ? 20

5. Comment on the characterization of R.K. Narayan, with reference to the character of Chandran.

Or

Briefly discuss Chandran's activities as an undergraduate student at Albert College.

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