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**Uttar Pradesh Public
Service Commission
(UPPCS Mains)**

Exam Syllabus

Optional Subjects
English Literature

PAPER - I

Answers must be written in English.

Section-A

Candidates will be required to show adequate knowledge of the following topics and movements:

The Renaissance: Elizabethan and Jacobean Drama; Metaphysical Poetry; The Epic and the Mock-epic; Neo-classicism; Satire; The Romantic Movement; The Rise of the Novel; The Victorian Age.

Section-B

Texts for detailed study are listed below:

1. William Shakespeare: Twelfth Night, King Henry IV, Pt I, Macbeth and the Tempest.
2. John Donne. The following poems: "Canonization", "Death be not proud", "The Good Morrow" and "The Relic".
3. John Milton: Paradise Lost, Book-I
4. John Dryden: All for Love
5. Alexander Pope: The Rape of the Lock
6. William Wordsworth. The following poems: "Tintern Abbey", "Three Years She Grew", "Michael" and "Milton, Thou Shouldst be Living at This Hour"
7. P B Shelley: "To a Skylark" and "Ode to the West Wind"
8. Alfred Tennyson: "Ulysses" and "Lotos Eaters"
9. Robert Browning: "My Last Duchess" and "The Lost Leader"
10. Francis Bacon: "Of Studies" and "Of Truth"
11. Charles Lamb: "Dream Children" and "Poor Relations"

Section-C

Text for non-detailed study are listed below:

1. Jane Austen. Pride and Prejudice.
2. Charles Dickens. Great Expectations.
3. Thomas Hardy: Far from the Madding Crowd
4. Mark Twain: The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.

Paper - II

Answers must be written in English.

Section-A

Candidates will be required to show adequate knowledge of the following topics and movements:

Pre-Raphaelite Movement, Modernism; Poets of the Thirties; The stream-of-consciousness Novel; Absurd Drama; Colonialism and Post-Colonialism; Indian Writing in English; Feminist approaches to Literature.

Section-B

Texts for detailed study are listed below:

1. William Butler Yeats. The following poems: "The Second Coming", "Sailing to Byzantium", "A Prayer for my Daughter", "Meru" and "Lapis Lazuli"
2. T.S. Eliot, The following poems: "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock" and "Journey of the Magi"
3. W.H. Auden. The following Poems: "The Unknown Citizen" and "In Memory of W.B. Yeats"
4. Philip Larkin. The Following poems: "Afternoons" and "Deceptions"
5. Sylvia Plath. The following poems: "Mirror" and "Daddy"
6. Derek Walcott. The Following Poems: "A Far Cry from Africa" and "Sea Grapes"
7. Nissim Ezekiel. The following poems "Background, Casually", "Night of the Scorpion"
8. A.K. Ramanujan. The following poems: "Looking for a Cousin on a Swing", "On The Death of a Poem"
9. John Osborne: Look Back in Anger.
10. Eugene O'Neill: Desire Under the Elms
11. Girish Karnad: Hayavadana
12. Thomas Carlyle: "Hero as a Poet"
13. John Ruskin: "The Veins of Wealth" (Essay II from Unto This Last)

Section-C

Texts for non-detailed study are listed below:

1. Graham Greene: The Power and the Glory
2. William Golding: Lord of the Flies
3. Raja Rao: Kanthapura.
4. Nathaniel Hawthorne: The Scarlet Letter