

**Ba/ENG/C-2**

**2025**  
( FYUGP )  
( 1st Semester )



**ENGLISH**  
( MAJOR )

Paper Code : ENG/C-2

( **European Classical Literature** )

Full Marks : 75  
Pass Marks : 40%

Time : 3 hours

*The questions are of equal value*

1. (a) Write a note on the literary culture of Augustan Rome.

Or

- (b) Explain the concept of Catharsis and Mimesis and its importance in drama.

2. (a) Write a note on the epic conventions in Homer's *Iliad*.

Or

- (b) Compare and contrast the characters of Achilles and Agamemnon from your reading of Book I and II of the *Iliad*.
3. (a) What are the major themes explored in the play, *Oedipus the King*?

Or

- (b) Sophocles' play, *Oedipus the King* is a perfect example of a classic Greek tragedy with a classic tragic hero. Explain.
4. (a) Bring out the elements of dramatic irony in the play, *The Pot of Gold* by Plautus.

Or

- (b) Discuss the themes of marriage and marital customs in the play, *The Pot of Gold* by Plautus.
5. (a) Recount the story of Bacchus and mention its significance in Ovid's *Metamorphoses*.

Or

- (b) What is the conflict in *Pyramus and Thisbe*? Narrate the circumstances that lead *Pyramus and Thisbe* to a tragic fate.

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