# THE UNIVERSITY OF BURDWAN M. A. Part I Examination 2020 (DDE) SUBJECT: ENGLISH PAPER III (Fiction)

### **Time: 2 hours**

## The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

- 1. Answer *any three* of the following:
  - a. Would you consider *Tom Jones* an amoral novel? Discuss with suitable references to the text.

Or

Comment on the characterization of Uncle Toby in Tristram Shandy.

b. Critically examine the significance of the theme of 'expectation' in *Great Expectations*.

Or

Discuss Heathcliff as a study in abnormal psychology in Wuthering Heights.

c. Bring out the significance of Marlow's river journey into the heart of darkness.

Or

Critically examine Sons and Lovers as a psychological novel.

- d. Critically discuss the major symbols in *To the Lighthouse*.
- e. Critically examine the ending of A Passage to India.
- f. Discuss Lord of the Flies as a dystopian novel.

### Or

Do you consider The Power and the Glory an allegory? Discuss.

- 2. Answer *any two* of the following:
  - a. How is the secret of Tom's birth revealed at the end of *Tom Jones*?
  - b. Briefly comment on the role of Biddy in *Great Expectations*.

#### Or

Indicate the location of Thrushcross Grange and Wuthering Heights. How are they connected?

- c. Briefly comment on the significance of Marlow's meeting with Kurtz in *Heart of Darkness*.
- d. Comment on the significance of Lily Briscoe's painting in To the Lighthouse.
- e. Who is the 'Judas' figure in *The Power and the Glory*, and why?

Full marks: 40

3X10=30

2X5=10