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English Language and Literature and
English and Communicative English – 2(a)
Complementary Course
EN 1131/CG 1131 – HISTORY OF ENGLISH LITERATURE – 1
(Common for EN 1131/CG 1131)
(2013 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, **each** in **a word** or **a sentence.**

1) Which is one of the oldest and perhaps the longest poem in the English language ?
2) Name the poem which is considered to be Cynewulf's masterpiece.
3) Who inspired the writing of the *Anglo-Saxon Chronicle* ?
4) Name the greatest figure in prose during the Anglo-Saxon period.
5) Who was crowned King of England on Christmas Day 1066 ?
6) Who used English language during the period of Norman Conquest ?
7) Mention the names of the three Italian writers who inspired Chaucer.
8) Who is the author of *Confessio Amantis* ?
9) Name the most famous Morality play.
10) Who translated More's *Utopia* into English ? **(10×1=10 Marks)**

II. Answer **any eight**, **each** in a short paragraph **not** exceeding **50** words.

11) Comment on the significance of *Beowulf.*
12) The Viking invasions.
13) Venerable Bede.
14) William the Conqueror.

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15) The Knight's Tale.

16) William Langland.

17) Mystery and Miracle plays.

18) Wyatt and Surrey.

19) Why is Spenser called a poet's poet ?

20) How does Ben Jonson define humour ?

21) How are Shakespearean plays divided ?

22) Wycliffe. **(8×2=16 Marks)**

III. Answer **any six**, **each** in a paragraph **not** exceeding **100** words.

23) Chaucer's poetry can be classified on the basis of three clearly defined periods. Discuss.

24) Medieval Romances.

25) Discuss the major factors which facilitated the diffusion of Renaissance in England.

26) The Oxford Reformers.

27) The University Wits.

28) Bacon's fame mainly rests on his essays. Examine.

29) Edmund Spenser.

30) Explain the characteristics of Shakespearean tragedy.

31) Elizabethan theatre. **(6×4=24 Marks)**

IV. Answer **any two**, **each** in about **three hundred** words.

32) Describe in detail the Norman Conquest and its major results.

33) *The Canterbury Tales* is Chaucer's anatomy of a society in flux. Elucidate.

34) Explain the main characteristics of the Elizabethan Age.

35) Reformation in England and its impact on English literature.

(2×15=30 Marks)