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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION — JANUARY 2015.

First Year

English

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

Time: 3 hours Maximum marks: 75

PART A — $(3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 50 words each.

- 1. Write a note on Shakespeare's greatness.
- 2. Explain Shakespearean comedy.
- 3. What are the themes of Shakespeare's last play?
- 4. Shakespeare's Sonnets are addressed to whom.
- 5. Comment on Shakespeare's use of the supernatural element in his plays.

PART B —
$$(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ marks})$$

Answer any THREE of the following in about 150 words each.

- 6. What is the gulling of Malvolio in 'Twelfth Night'?
- 7. Bring out the significance of the role of Enobarbus in 'Antony and Cleopatra'.
- What is the part played by Ariel in 'The Tempest'? 8.
- 9. Sketch the character of Viola in 'Twelfth Night'.
- 10. Discuss Hamlet's attitude towards Ophelia.

PART C —
$$(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ marks})$$

Answer any TWO of the following in about 300 words each.

- 11. Forgiveness and freedom are the keynotes of the play "The Tempest" - Discuss.
- 12. What is the Character and role of Cleopatra-Delineate?
- Discuss 'A Midsummer Nights Dream' as a 13. Romantic comedy.

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