



'समानो मन्त्रः समितिः समानी'

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL**  
B.A. Minor 1st Semester Examination, 2023

**UENGMIN10001-ENGLISH**

**UNDERSTANDING POETRY**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours 30 Minutes

Full Marks: 60

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

1. Write short notes on any **four** of the following: 3×4 = 12
  - (a) Epic
  - (b) Carpe Diem
  - (c) Sonnet
  - (d) Conceit
  - (e) Satire
  - (f) Imagery.
  
2. Explain with reference to the context any **four** of the following: 6×4 = 24
  - (a) "But words came halting forth, wanting invention's stay;  
Invention, Nature's child, fled step-dame study's blows".
  - (b) "So long as men can breathe, or eyes can see,  
So long lives this, and this gives life to thee".
  - (c) "Or snorted we in the Seven Sleepers' den?  
'Twas so; but this, all pleasures fancies be".
  - (d) "The bridal of the earth and sky;  
The dew shall weep thy fall to-night,  
For thou must die."
  - (e) "I sing – This verse to Caryl, Muse! is due;  
This, ev'n Belinda may vouchsafe to view:"
  - (f) "What the hammer? what the chain,  
In what furnace was thy brain?"
  
3. Answer any **two** of the following questions: 12×2 = 24
  - (a) Attempt a critical appreciation of "Three years she grew in sun and shower".
  - (b) Trace the evolution of thought in "Ode to a Nightingale".
  - (c) Examine "The Last Ride Together" as a love poem.
  - (d) Analyse the theme of war and its effect on human psyche in "Strange Meeting".

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