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BEGC-108

**B.A. (HONS.) ENGLISH
(BAEGH)**

**Term-End Examination
June, 2026**

**BEGC-108 : BRITISH LITERATURE :
18TH CENTURY**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : *This question paper has three Sections.*

*Attempt the questions as instructed in
each Section. All Sections are compulsory.*

Section—A

1. Attempt any *three* short notes and any *one* reference to the context : $4 \times 7\frac{1}{2} = 30$
- (a) Enlightenment
 - (b) Puritanism
 - (c) Neo-classical Age
 - (d) Age of Sensibility

- (e) Epitaph
- (f) “Here rests his head upon the lap of earth.

A youth to fortune and to fame
unknown.”

- (g) “Each in his narrow cell for ever laid,
The rude forefathers of the hamlet
sleep.”

Section—B

Note : Answer any *three* of the following questions in about **200** words each.

3×10=30

2. What type of work is *Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard* ? Discuss the purpose of such a poem.
3. Critically comment on the character portrayal of Lady Wishfort.

4. Describe the features of typical comedy during the heyday of the Restoration Period.
5. Critically analyze *Gulliver's Travels : Book IV* as the critique to English Colonialism.
6. Discuss how *Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard* reflects on the theme of morality and the inevitability of death.

Section—C

Note : Answer any *two* of the following questions in about **500** words each.

2×20=40

7. Discuss how *Robinson Crusoe* explores the theme of *Survival and Self-reliance* ? How does Crusoe adapt to his environment and use his intelligence to overcome challenges ?
8. Compare and contrast Gulliver's experience in *Lilliput* and *Brobdingnag*. How do these societies reflect different aspects of human behaviour and governance ?

9. Discuss how *The Way of the World* explores the theme of love and marriage. How do Mirabell and Millamant's relationship contrast with other marriages in the play ?
10. Examine Gray's use of poetic device in *Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard*. How do these literary techniques enhance the poem's melancholic tone and universal themes ?

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