



THE AMERICAN COLLEGE, MADURAI

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Re-accredited (2nd Cycle) by NAAC with Grade "A", CGPA – 3.46 on a 4-point scale

Backlog Arrear Examination, March 2021

ENS 2567

SHAKESPEARE

Marks: 75

Time: 3 Hrs

I Answer ANY FIVE of the following in an essay:

(5X15=75)

1. Evaluate the themes and poetic diction in Shakespeare's sonnets with reference to Sonnets 18 and 23.
2. Explain the themes of cross dressing and gender blurring as unique qualities in Shakespeare's comedies focusing on *Twelfth Night*.
3. Comment on the predominant theme of love, in *Twelfth Night*, as an element that orchestrates every character with interesting subplots of comedy.
4. Psychologically criticize the character of Lady Macbeth as the main factor leading to the tragedy of the play.
5. Express your views on the various tragical components, mainly the supernatural elements as employed in *Macbeth*.
6. Analyse the political history and the various strata in the society of England as depicted in *Henry V*.
7. Appreciate *Winter's Tale* as a Tragicomedy.
