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**British Poetry And Drama 14th To 17th Centuries**

**Time- 3 hours      Marks- 80**

**Answer all the questions as directed.**

**The figure in the right hand margin indicates marks.**

1. Answer **any four** of the following. **[4x14]**
  - a) What were the major literary contributions of Geoffrey Chaucer, who is known as the “Father of English Literature”?
  - b) Chaucer’s portrayal of the Pardoner raises questions about the relationship between appearance and reality. Explain.
  - c) Examine the use of symbolism and imagery in “The Pardoner’s Tale”.
  - d) Shakespeare explores themes of separation and absence in the Sonnet 34. Explain.
  - e) Explain the symbolism of flowers in “Song to Celia” and how they contribute to the speaker’s expression of love.
  - f) Discuss the interplay between fate and free will in Macbeth.
  
2. Answer **Any Four** of the following. **[4x6]**
  - i) What is Black Death? Answer briefly.
  - ii) Analyse the impact of Hundred Years’ War on 14<sup>th</sup> century literature.
  - iii) Analyse the characters of three rioters in “The Pardoner’s Tale”.
  - iv) What is Fair Youth sequence in the Sonnet-34.
  - v) Write briefly on the tragic flaw of Macbeth.
  - vi) What type of character Lady Macbeth was? Write shortly.

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