TILAK MAHARASHTRA Vidyapeeth, Pune  
Master of Arts (M.A.) English (Part II) 
December - 2011 Examination
Sub : Special Author : William Shakespeare (E-203)

Date: 22/12/2011 Total marks: 100 Time: 2.00pm to 5.00pm

Instructions:
1) All questions are compulsory.
2) Each question carries 20 marks.
3) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

Q. 1. a) What is the structure of the typical Elizabethan stage? What was the effect of it on Shakespeare’s plays? (20)

b) Write a descriptive note on evolution of Shakespeare’s dramatic art.

OR

Q. 2. a) Is “The Taming of the Shrew” a suitable Title for the play? Explain. (20)

b) “Richard III” is a tragedy. Do you agree? Give reasons.

Q. 3. a) Do you think that “Measure for Measure” is correctly regarded as a problem play? (20)

b) Discuss “King Lear” as a tragic hero.

Q. 4. a) “Love is the most important theme in the Tempest”. Do you agree? (20)

b) Is Shylock a hero or Villain? Discuss.

Q. 5. Write short notes on any two:- (20)
   a) Supernatural elements in Shakespeare's plays.
   b) Theatre conventions during Shakespeare's days.
   c) Source material for Shakespeare historical plays.
   d) The storm scene in “King Lear”.

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