

The candidates shall limit their answers precisely within the answer-book (40 pages) issued to them and no supplementary/ continuation sheet will be issued.

Note : Attempt four questions in all. Question No. 1 is compulsory. Select three other questions from remaining questions.

## 1. Compulsory Question

Write short answers of any six of the following:
(a) What is the contrast between 'Wuthering Heights' and 'Thrusshcross Grange' ?
(b) Recreate in your own words the opening of Wuthering Heights.
(c) Role of Nelly Dean in Wuthering Heights.
(d) Write a note on Utilitarian approach (Hard Times).
(e) What does the title Hard Times signify?
(f) Note on Gradgrind's children's destiny?
(g) Role and importance of Floss river in Mill on the Floss.
(h) Provincial atmosphere in Mill on the Floss.
(i) Character of Phillip in Mill on the Floss.
(j) Why is Maggie an introverted girl ?
(k) Angel's reactions to Tess's confessions.
(l) Is Alec's death at the end of Tess justified?
2. 'I can think of no other novel than Wuthering Heights in which the pain, the ecstasy, the ruthlessness of love have been so powerfully set forth' (Somerset Maugham). Discuss.

## OR

In what way does the wild nature/atmosphere coordinate with the character's response in Wuthering Heights ?
3. 'Dickens's sharpest attack on commerce/industry and its negative effects informs Hard Times.

## OR

Detail the contradictions in the figure of Gradgrind.
4. How does George Eliot strongly portray child psychology in Mill on the Floss ?

## OR

How many varieties of love relation do you find in Mill on the Floss?
5. 'Tess apears in Tess a novel, as a pure woman, a vichim, sufferer and finally a heroic figure'. Discuss.

OR
Role of chance, fate and circumstances is the main theme in the plot of Tess. Elaborate.

