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**Continuous Internal Assessment II - April 2025**  
**SEMESTER II**

**Class : I M.A**  
**Branch: English**

**Time: 2 Hours**  
**Max. Marks: 60**

**23MENC08 – Shakespeare**

**Course Outcomes:**

- CO1 : Understand the dramatic forms of Shakespeare
- CO2 : Analyse characters, plots, themes and techniques
- CO3 : Appreciate the uniqueness of Shakespeare among the world literatures
- CO4 : Explicate the effect that Shakespeare drama has on the culture of this age
- CO5 : Apply the knowledge of tenets of Shakespeare's works on a universal level

**Part – A**

**6x1=6**

**Choose the Correct Answer**

1. Which character Shaw thought "the most beautiful old woman's part ever written?"  
CO1K1  
a. Olivia      b. Viola      c. Isabella      d. Countess of Roussillon
2. Richard II is the last king in the house of \_\_\_\_\_  
CO1K1  
a. Plantagenet      b. Lancaster      c. York      d. Tudor
3. What does Angelo ask Isabella to do, in exchange for her brother's life?  
CO2K1  
a. pay him      b. marry him      c. sleep with him      d. kiss him
4. According to Shakespeare, that which is permanent is the \_\_\_\_\_  
CO3K1  
a. written word      b. beauty      c. life      d. summer's day
5. The 'lark' in sonnet 29 is used as a symbol suggesting a/an \_\_\_\_\_ world  
CO1K1  
a. Chaotic      b. beautiful      c. natural      d. organised
6. In sonnet 73 Shakespeare compares death to a \_\_\_\_\_  
CO3K1  
a. glow worm      b. dying fire      c. phoenix      d. unicorn

**Part B**

**3x6=18**

**Answer ALL questions.**

**Each answer should not exceed 400 words or two pages**

- 7 a. Why did the nobles and commoners dislike Richard II? CO1K2  
(or)  
7 b. Why does Betram refuse to marry Helena? CO2K2  
8 a. Discuss the appropriateness of the title *Measure for Measure*. CO2K4  
(or)  
8 b. "Summer's lease hath all too short a date" – Explain. CO4K4  
9 a. How does Shakespeare characterise autumn in sonnet 73? CO5K2  
(or)  
9 b. Write about the Shakespearian sonnet form. CO5K2

**Part C**

**3 x 12 = 36**

**Answer ALL questions**

**Each answer should not exceed 800 words or four pages**

- 10 a. Write about the conflict between Bolingbroke and King Richard. CO4K4  
(or)  
10 b. Explain the resurrection them in *All is Well that Ends Well*. CO2K5  
11 a. Analyse the character of Isabella in *Measure for Measure*. CO4K4  
(or)  
11 b. Write on the imagery and symbols used by Shakespeare in sonnets 116, 130 and 138. CO2K4  
12 a. Evaluate Shakespeare as a sonneteer. CO2K4  
(or)  
12 b. "Love all, trust a few, Do wrong to none:" – Discuss this quotation with reference to Shakespeare. CO2K5

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