

## **ENGLISH**

**Paper Code: ENGL DSC 202**

**British Literature (Play and Novel)**

### **ASSIGNMENT TOPICS**

**Note:**

- 1. Answer the given assignment questions**
- 2. Each question carries five marks and the Total Marks will be 30.**
- 3. The answer should be up to 250 words.**
- 4. A sample of the title page is also attached.**

#### **Assignment - 1= 10 Marks (Attempt 2 Questions out of 4 Questions)**

- 1) How does "The Merchant of Venice" reflect the societal norms and prejudices of its time, and what messages does it convey about justice and mercy?
- 2) What is Portia's lamentation at the beginning of the scene, and what does it reveal about her character?
- 3) Discuss the significance of the casket challenge in Act II.
- 4) How does Shylock's demand for a pound of Antonio's flesh reflect themes of revenge and justice in the play?

#### **Assignment - 2= 10 Marks (Attempt 2 Questions out of 4 Questions)**

- 5) Who was Shylock and how did he become rich?
- 6) Why did Shylock hate Antonio?
- 7) Write a character-sketch of Portia in the play "The Merchant of Venice"
- 8) How does Dickens use Nancy's character to explore themes of loyalty and sacrifice?

#### **Assignment -3= 10 Marks (Attempt 2 Questions out of 4 Questions)**

- 9) Write a character-sketch of Mr Bumble.
- 10) "Please sir I want some more." Comment.
- 11) Describe Fagin.
- 12) How does Dickens use symbolism to enhance the novel's themes of social injustice and moral redemption?

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