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BA HUMANITIES EXAMANINATION

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

DTA1301: INTRODUCTION TO DRAMA

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MARKS: 100

3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS
- QUESTION ONE (1) IS A MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTION, WRITE ONLY THE ANSWER IN THE ANSWERING SHEET PROVIDED.
- QUESTIONS 3 and 4 are based on *A Doll's House*.
- MARKS WILL BE AWARDED FOR GOOD EXPRESSION.

QUESTION 1 MULTIPLE-CHOICE, choose the correct answer

- 1. Which part of the play features the play's highest point of intensity?
 - a) Exposition
 - b) Falling Action
 - c) Climax
 - d) Inciting Incident
- 2. The sequence of events that make up a story is called
 - a) Plot
 - b) Setting
 - c) Rising Action
 - d) Denouement
- 3. What are the people and animals that take part in the action of a play called?
 - a) Actors
 - b) Authors
 - c) Designers
 - d) characters
- 4. A struggle between two opposing characters in a play is referred to as
 - a) Argument
 - b) Conflict
 - c) Tension
 - d) Suspense
- 5. According to Aristotle, the protagonist of the tragedy is
 - a) Naive, trusting
 - b) perfect, superior
 - c) Flawed, human
 - d) Lustful, passionate
- 6. How is drama different from other kinds of literary genres?
 - a) Drama can have only one setting. Other kinds of fiction can have many settings
 - b) Drama has a plot. Other kinds of fiction use monologues instead of plots.
 - c) Drama has more characters than other kinds of fiction.
 - d) Drama is written to be performed by actors for an audience.

- 7. Greek drama began as part of a festival to celebrate which Greek God?
 - a) Apollo
 - b) Zeus
 - c) Poseidon
 - d) Dionysus

QUESTION 2

- a) Discuss in detail Aristotle's three (3) Unities if Drama. (15 Marks)
- b) Provide brief notes on Exposition as one of the elements of Freytag's Pyramid Dramatic Structure. (10 Marks)

25 MARKS

QUESTION 3

- a) What is the initial conflict of *A Doll's House* and who is it between? (7 Marks)
- b) To win against the antagonist, the protagonist must identify their flaws and weaknesses, what are the protagonist's two flaws and weaknesses and how do they overcome them? (16 Marks)
- c) How does the life of the protagonist change in the resolution of the story? (5 Marks)

28 MARKS

QUESTION 4

- a) Give a detailed analysis of the following three themes of *A Doll's House*:
 - i) Love and Marriage
 - ii) Gender Roles
 - iii) Money and work
 - iv) Deceit

(40 Marks)

40 MARKS

7 MARKS