

3 (Sem-6) ENG M 4

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ENGLISH

(Major)

Paper : 6.4

(Western Mythology)

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer the following as directed : $1 \times 7 = 7$

(a) What was the profession of Abel, the second son of Adam and Eve?

(b) How many children were born to Hera through Zeus?

(c) Who is regarded as the goddess of reason and practical knowledge in Greek mythology?

(d) Aphrodite is the goddess of love / knowledge / wealth.

(Choose the correct one)

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(2)

(e) Hercules was a hero / poet / painter.
(Select the correct one)

(f) Narcissus had to sacrifice his life as a
result of _____ love.

(Fill in the blank with an
appropriate word)

(g) Who is the father of Icarus?

2. Answer briefly the following questions : $2 \times 4 = 8$

(a) What sort of relation prevailed between
Zeus and Hera?

(b) Why is Athena considered important in
Greek Mythology?

(c) How does Apollo travel in the celestial
world?

(d) Write about the importance of 'Ares' as a
God.

3. Answer any *three* of the following questions :

$5 \times 3 = 15$

(a) Write a short note on Oedipus.

(b) Narrate briefly the story of Icarus.

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(c) Give an account of what Pandora's Box
is. What did it contain?

(d) Why is Noah's Ark significant in
Judaic-Christian mythology?

(e) From your reading of the pieces
prescribed from *The Old Testament*,
write a note on the religious practices of
the Jews.

(f) What role did the Magi play in Persia?

4. Write in your own words the Greek myth on
which Yeats bases his poem. How does Yeats
use this myth in *Leda and the Swan*? 10

Or

Discuss the role of Western Mythology in
assessing the proper status of modern
Western Literature. 10

5. Elaborate the significance of 'Ulysses' as
mentioned by Tennyson in the poem bearing
the same title. 10

Or

Narrate the story of Prometheus highlighting
his zeal for liberty. 10

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6. Discuss Shelley's intention in writing a poem under the title *Adonais*. 10

Or

Estimate the relevance of biblical allusions in *Billy Budd*. 10
