food, hurt with the same weapons, subject to the same diseases,

heal'd by the same means, warm'd and cool'd by the same winter and summer, as a Christian is ?

Or

In sooth I know not why I am so sad:

It wearies my, you say it wearies you;

But how I caught it, found it, or came
by it,

What stufftis made of, whereof it is born, I am to learn.

And such a want-wit sadness makes of me,

That I have much ado to know myself.

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- (b) Write one-word substitute of any *eight* expressions out of the following:
  - (i) Afternoon performance at a cinema or theatre.
  - (ii) One who is recovering from illness.

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## **B. A. EXAMINATION**

(Batch 2018 Onwards) (Main)
(Sixth Semester)
ENGLISH (COMPULSORY)
ENGC-302 Paper A

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 80

**Note**: Attempt all the *Five* questions. Q. No. 1 is compulsory.

- 1. Attempt the following in brief:
  - (a) What was Portia's father's will about her marriage ?
  - (b) Why did Portia and Nerissa appear in the court under disguise ?
  - (c) Describe the bond executed between Antonio and Shylock.

- (d) What does Gratiano comment on Antonio's melancholy?
- (e) Briefly describe Portia's speech on the quality of mercy.
- (f) How does Salarino describe Antonio's ships in the opening Act of the play?
- (g) How does Antonio thank Portia at the end of the play ?
- (h) Why does Portia urge Bassanio to wait before trying his luck in Casket Scene?
- (i) Who is Tubal?
- (j) What does Shylock sensitize Antonio when he goes to him for money?

 $2 \times 10 = 20$ 

- **2.** Attempt any *three* of the following in about **150** words each :
  - (i) Shylock was more sinned against than sinning. Discuss.
  - (ii) *The Merchant of Venice* reflects the detrimental attitudes towards Jewish people and other minorities in 16th century Europe. Discuss.

- (iii) Comment on the importance of Trial Scene/Court Scene in *The Merchant of Venice*.
- (iv) Criticaly analyse *The Merchant of Venice* as a tragic comedy.
- (v) Describe the opening scene of the play with its dramatic significance. 5×3=15
- **3.** Write short note on any *five* of the following:
  - (i) Plot
  - (ii) Characters
  - (iii) Tragedy
  - (iv) Melodrama
  - (v) Heroic Play
  - (vi) Comedy of Manners
  - (vii) Epic Theatre
  - (viii) Propaganda Play

 $3\times5=15$ 

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4. (a) Explain with reference to the context:

I am a Jew. Hath not a Jew eyes? Hath not a Jew hands,

organs, dimensions, senses, affections, passions; fed with the same

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Or

Write an RTI application to SPIO, o/o Deputy Commissioner, Hisar, seeking information about the details of funds received from various sources during Covid-19, Second Wave.

(b) You are working as a clerk in the Ministry of Agriculture, New Delhi. Write an official letter to your boss, requesting him for a house loan.

Or

On behalf of the Principal, write a letter to a book-seller placing an order for the books required for your college library.

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- (iii) Capable of committing errors.
- (iv) Those who work only for money.
- (v) The act of violating the sanctity of a place worship.
- (vi) An ink which cannot be effaced.
- (vii) One who abstains from alcoholic drinks.
- (viii) One who believes everybody.
- (ix) A printed notice abouts someone's death.
- (x) A character after whom the book is titled.
- (xi) A speech delivered without preparation.
- (xii) A book published after the death of the author. 8
- 5. (a) What is RTI ? Write an RTI application to SPIO, o/o District Forest Officer, Hisar, seeking information about the no. of saplings implanted during last two years.