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## Exam Questions for English Literature I

I. Definitions: 30% Please explain the following briefly and to the point.

1. The Nun's Priest's Tale in *Canterbury Tales*
2. The Confession of Gluttony in *Piers Plowman*
3. Malory's *Morte Darthur*
4. The character of Duessa in *The Faerie Queene*
5. Marvell's "To His Coy Mistress"
6. Pope's *The Rape of the Lock*

II. Paraphrase: 20% Read this sonnet and explain the meaning in your own words.

When my love swears that she is made of truth,  
I do believe her, though I know she lies,  
That she might think me some untutored youth,  
Unlearned in the world's false subtleties.  
Thus vainly thinking that she thinks me young,  
Although she knows my days are past the best,  
Simply I credit her false-speaking tongue:  
On both sides thus is simple truth suppressed.  
But wherefore says she not she is unjust?  
And wherefore say not I that I am old?  
Oh, love's best habit is in seeming trust,  
And age in love loves not to have years told.  
Therefore I lie with her and she with me,  
And in our faults by lies we flattered be.

III. Essay Questions: 50%

1. Use examples to explain how "Sir Gawain epitomizes the first blooming of Arthurian chivalry, and the reputation of the court rests upon his shoulders" in *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*.
2. Explain the uncanny events that take place in Marlowe's *Doctor Faustus* and discuss the purpose of these events.
3. Explain the main ideas of Thomas Hobbes' *Leviathan*.
4. How does Milton confront the problem of evil and deal with it in *Paradise Lost*?
5. Discuss the contributions of Jonathan Swift as a satirist.