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**I. Essay Questions: 100 %**

Please choose **four** questions from below and answer them in English.

1. Please give a summary of William Shakespeare's *The Twelfth Night*.
2. What is a Shakespearean sonnet? Please explain the elements of its form by using the following sonnet (sonnet 18).

Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?  
Thou art more lovely and more temperate:  
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May  
And summer's lease hath all too short a date;  
Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines,  
And often is his gold complexion dimmed;  
And every fair from fair sometime declines,  
By chance or nature's changing course untrimmed.  
But thy eternal summer shall not fade,  
Nor lose possession of that fair thou ow'st;  
Nor shall death brag thou wander'st in his shade,  
When in eternal lines to time thou grow'st;  
So long as men can breathe or eyes can see,  
So long lives this, and this gives life to thee.

3. Please offer a discussion on John Webster's treatment of women's social status in *The Duchess of Malfi*.
4. *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*, a work of Arthurian literature, is sophisticated with its use of medieval symbolism. Please discuss this aspect of the work by giving examples.
5. What does the fruit of forbidden tree symbolize in John Milton's *Paradise Lost*? Please offer your argument.
6. In *Gulliver's Travels*, how does Jonathan Swift use Gulliver's voyages to satirize various aspects of English society?