

# **Question Bank For BDP Course**

## **Elective Course**

## **English**

### **1st Paper (New Syllabus)**

#### **From the Beginnings to Chaucer : Literature and Language in Evolution : EEG-01**

1. Which group of people was the first to arrive from the continent after the departure of the Romans from Britain?
2. In which year was the Battle of Hastings fought?
3. Into how many groups are the surviving remains of Old English literature generally divided?
4. Why is the 'Battle of Maldon' an important literary piece?
5. Of how many apostles' life stories does 'The Fates of the Apostles' narrate?
6. Which is a text of the 'Matter of England' within the corpus of Middle English Romances?
7. The Four PP is an interlude written by whom?
8. In the Old English epic, whose son is Beowulf?
9. Against which backdrop is Geoffrey Chaucer's *Troilus and Criseyde* set?
10. In 'The Prologue' to *The Canterbury Tales*, Chaucer presents three ideal characters on the pilgrimage. Who are they?
11. To which cycle does *The Second Shepherd's Play* belong?
12. What do place names ending with suffixes like 'thorp', 'beck' and 'dale' mean?
13. What did the word 'bloom' mean in Old English?
14. What does the term Anglo-Norman refer to?
15. From which languages do the words 'breakfast' and 'dinner' derive?
16. When did the French word 'limousine' enter the English vocabulary?
17. What does the Latin word 'popig' mean in English?
18. In which period was the word 'custody' borrowed into English?
19. Approximately how many words did Shakespeare's vocabulary consist of according to Otto Jespersen?
20. "I have no mind for feasting forth tonight" - whose utterance is this?

21. Who had to die for having translated the Bible?
22. Who was the first person to translate the entire *Bible* into English?
23. In which year was the Authorised Version of the *Bible* published?
24. What does the Greek word 'phone' mean?
25. Into how many branches can the study of Phonetics be divided?
26. Where in the human physiognomy is the larynx situated?
27. Of which organ is the blade a part?
28. What kind of plosive is the word 'tub'?
29. How many cardinal vowels did the English phonetician Daniel Jones devise?
30. On what is a pun as a figure of speech based?