KANYASHREE UNIVERSITY M.A. 4th Semester Examinations 2024 Subject: English Course : DSEC- II Modern European Classics in Translation

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

GROUP-A

[Answer any **four** of the following]

 $(5 \times 4 = 20)$

- 1. "This unhappy secret must be disclosed". Of which "unhappy secret" is the speaker talking about? What light does this throw on the character of the speaker?
- 2. "At the next fancy-dress ball I shall be invisible". Who is the speaker and why does the speaker make this comment?
- 3. Show how Meursault's indifference challenges traditional moral and ethical norms in *The Outsider*.
- 4. Is *The Outsider* a critique of the judicial system? Justify your answer.
- 5. What, according to you, is Baudelaire's 'ideal red' as indicated in "The Ideal"?
- 6. Comment on Baudelaire use of irony in the representation of Beatrice in the poem "The Poets Beatrice".
- 7. Explain the line: "City of swarming, city full of dreams".

GROUP-B

[Answer **any two** of the following] $(10 \times 2=20)$

- 1. Nora is a feminist through both her love and disgust toward Helmer. Discuss, with textual references.
- 2. Comment critically on the poet's craftsmanship as evident in the poem "The Ideal".
- 3. How does *The Outsider* address issues of absurdity and alienation? Answer with reference to the text.
- 4. Baudelaire's "The Poets Beatrice" has been described as a poem of 'betrayal in love'. Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.