

KANYASHREE UNIVERSITY

M.A. 2nd Semester Examination-2024

Subject: English

Course-CC 8

Ancient European Classics in Translation

Full Marks- 40

Time: 2.00 Hours

Group-A

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

(5x4=20)

1. Why was Iphigenia sacrificed?
2. Write a short note on the significance of the banquet in Book I of the *Aeneid*.
3. Comment on the symbols of the two eagles and the pregnant hare in *Agamemnon*.
4. What does the name "Epidamnus" signify?
5. Discuss the significance of the ekphrastic representation of Trojan war on the walls of the Carthaginian temple.
6. Discuss the role played by Peniculus in the play *Menaechmi*.
7. Why did the Chorus not believe what Cassandra said?

Group-B

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

(10x2=20)

1. Assess the importance of physical appearance and mistaken identity in the play *Menaechmi*.
2. Critically comment on the first simile (storm simile) of Book I of *The Aeneid*.
3. *Agamemnon* is a specimen of classical tragedy. Discuss.
4. Do you think that Book IV of the *Aeneid* anticipates the Aristotelian dictum of tragic plot construction? Explain.
