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Department of English Language and Literature
B.A. (Hon's)
Final Examination Spring – 2022
Course Code: ELL-3524 Course Title: Victorian Prose and Poetry
Total Marks: 50 Time: 2: 30 Hours

(Answer Question no. **1 and any three** from the rest by taking at least one from each poet.
Figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.)

1. Locate and explain the following verses with reference to the poems. (**any four**) **5X4=20**
- a) Ah, but a man's reach should exceed his grasp,
Or, what's a heaven for?
- b) Straight got by heart that book to its last page:
Learned, we found him.
Yea, we found him bald too, eyes like lead,
Accents uncertain:
- c) A common greyness silvers everything,
All in a twilight, you and I alike
- d) And strange and vain the earthly turmoil grows,
And near and real the charm of thy repose,
And night as welcome as a friend would fall.
- e) This man said rather, "Actual life comes next?
Patience a moment!
- f) Too rare, too rare, grow now my visit here!
Mid city-noise, not, as with thee of yore,
2. Critically comment on the role of speaker in Browning's "A Grammarian's Funeral". 10
3. "Submissiveness" is the key feature in the character of Andrea in Browning's poem "Andrea del Sarto". Give your opinion. 10
4. Discuss Browning's idea of art and morality as stated in the poem "Andrea del Sarto". 10
5. How does the theme of loss and compensation manifest in Arnold's poem Thyrsis? 10
6. Evaluate Matthew Arnold as a classicist from your reading the poem "Thyrsis". 10

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