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### British Literature Questions

#### I. Medieval, Renaissance, and 17<sup>th</sup> Century: 50%

Answer 2 of the 3 questions below. Each question is worth 25 points. Be sure to include an argumentative thesis and to use specific examples.

1. Chaucer's *General Prologue* provides an example of estates satire that give insight to the role of social class in medieval culture. Discuss how individual tales in *The Canterbury Tales* relate to the social position of the teller.
2. The sonnet form became extremely popular during the 1500s. Choose at least 3 authors of sonnets and discuss how they contributed to the development of the form.
3. After James I became King of England in 1603, new themes emerged in English drama. Choose at least 2 plays written during the Jacobean period and discuss the major themes they present.

#### II. 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries: 50%

Answer 2 of the 3 questions below. Each question is worth 25 points. Be sure to include an argumentative thesis and to use specific examples.

1. The Romantic Movement developed a new concept of the relationship between humans and Nature. Choose 3 poems from the Romantic Period and discuss how they illustrate the Romantic idea of Nature.
2. The development of the novel expanded the scope of women as writers. Choose at least 3 female authors and discuss how their novels reflect the experience of women in their society.
3. During the 20<sup>th</sup> century the relation of England to its colonies underwent enormous change. Choose 3 colonial authors and discuss how they contribute to the development of British literature.