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Answer any FOUR of the following questions: 25% Each.

1. In the Old English epic *Beowulf*, the heroism of Beowulf is illustrated by his three fights against the monsters and dragon. Please briefly summarize and discuss the three battles in this ancient epic.
2. Please use examples from *Sir Gawain and The Green Knight* to explain why this medieval romance is considered the "finest Arthurian romance in English."
3. Please first give the definition of "estates satire" and explain why Chaucer's masterpiece *The Canterbury Tales* is renowned for this literary genre.
4. Please explain and discuss why Thomas Malory's *Morte Darthur* is devoted to male fellowship and male code of honor.
5. It is argued that Shakespeare's sonnets are quite different from the other sonnets of his day. Do you agree? Please use examples to explain.
6. Please use examples from the play to explain why Shakespeare's comedy *Twelfth Night* is considered a play that explores the unofficial territories of same-sex desire and cross-class marriage.
7. It is argued that the body in *King Lear* is a site not only of abjection and misery but also of love and care. Please cite examples to explain.
8. Briefly define the concept of "Metaphysical poetry" and use examples from John Donne's poems to explain why his poems are good examples of "Metaphysical poetry."