

M.A English Assignment Test 1st Semester 2018 CBCS DDCE

Paper – 1 (Concepts in Literature)

Answer any two.

15 × 2 = 30 Word Limit – 1000

Time : 1 hrs.

1. How does literature shape or reflect society?
2. Discuss comedy as a form of literature.
3. Distinguish between Elegy and Epic with proper examples.
4. What are the factors contributed to the birth of the English novel?
5. Explain the literary devices based on similarity.
6. Trace the development of English essay.

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Paper – 2 (Classical and neo-classical critical theories)

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1. Explain the classical theory of literary criticism
2. Define Aristotle's Poetics and explain why Aristotle's says all poetry as Mimesis.
3. What is Johnson's reaction against Shakespeare regarding distinction of time and place?
4. What are critical views of John Dryden, Alexander Pope, and Samuel Johnson?
5. What was the aim of Longinus in writing his treatise "On the Sublime"?
6. Why is Johnson's "Preface to Shakespeare" a landmark in Shakespearian criticism?

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Paper – 3 (Literature and Social history-I)

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1. Describe the growth of theatre from the middle ages.
2. Why has it been argued that Chaucer is a turning point in medieval literature?
3. Give an assessment of Renaissance poetry and its development.
4. What were the influences of the Renaissance on English Literature?
5. Discuss the factors that led to colonialism.
6. Renaissance man found himself suspended between faith and reason. Discuss

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Paper – 4 (Literature and Social history-II)

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1. Write a note on Victorian Novel.
2. Discuss how Charles Darwin's idea of evolution inspired a new wave a thought.
3. Comment on the treatment Nature in romantic Poetry.
4. Trace the evolution of 'cultural studies'.
5. What are some specific features of Modernism?
6. Write a note on the feminist writers of the nineteenth century.