

M.A. 3rd Semester Examination, March-April 2021

ENGLISH

Paper - I

Critical Theory-I (From Aristotle to Walter Pater)

<i>Time</i> : Three	Hours]	[Maximum Mark	s :	80
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Note : Answer **all** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. How does Aristotle defend poetry against the attack on it by Plato ?

OR

Examine Aristotle's concept of Catharsis.

2. How can sublimity of language be achieved in poetry according to Longinus?

OR

Examine Sidney's concept of poetry.

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3. Write an essay on Wordsworth's concept of poetic diction.

OR

How does Coleridge distinguish between imagniation and fancy?

4. Enumerate Arnold's views on the role of eritic.

OR

Discuss the views of Walter Pater on the romantic poets.

- 5. Write short notes on any two of the following :
 - (a) Aristotle's views on Plot
 - (b) Sidney's concept of Comedy
 - (c) Coleridge as a writer
 - (d) Arnold's views on Criticism

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Paper - II

Indian Writing in English-I

Time : Three Hours] [Maximum Marks : 80

Note : Answer **all** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Unit-I

- **1.** Explain with reference to the context any **four** of the following :
 - (a) My father, sceptic, rationalist, trying every curse and blessing, powder, mixture, herb and hybrid. He even poured a little paraffin upon the bitten toe and put a match to it.
 - (b) Until the one who knows that she is loved No longer waits but risks surrending In this the poet finds his moral proved Who never spoke before his spirit moved.

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- (c) When thy hour strikes for thy silent Worship at the dark temple of midnight, Command me, my master, to stand before thee to sing.
- (d) "Come out of thy meditations and leave aside thy flowers and incense! what harm is these if thy clothes become tattered and stained ?"
- (e) What I want to achieve what I have been striving and pinning to achieve these thirty years - is self realization, to see God face to face, to attain Moksha.
- (f) If anything that I write in these pages should strike the reader as being touched with pride, then he must take it that there is something wrong in my quest.
- (g) "It was ineffably lovely a small pond with blue Lotus, a row of stone steps Leading down to water. Tall casuarina trees swayed and murmured over the banks. But every face books blurred to me. The sun is beating down mercilessly, but I don't feel it. I feel nothing, and see nothing."

Unit-II

2. Write a note on the Indian themes of Toru Dutt's poetry.

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Discuss mysticism in Rabindra Nath's 'Gitanjali' in your own words.

Unit-III

3. Write an essay on the autobiographical element in Kamala Das's poetry.

OR

Give a critical estimate of Nissim Ezekiel's 'Poet, Lover, Birdwatcher'.

Unit-IV

4. Discuss Gandhi's message of spirituality love, truth and non-violence.

OR

Write a note on the theme of Nehru's 'Discovery of India'.

Unit-V

5. Discuss the theme of Mulk Raj Anand's 'Two Leaves and a Bud'.

OR

Write a note on autobiographical element in R. K. Narayan's 'The English Teacher'.

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Paper - III

American Literature - I

Time : Three Hours] [Maximum Marks : 80

Note : Answer **all** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Explain with reference to the context any **four** of the following passages :

(a) Endless unfolding of words of ages! And mine a word of the modern, the word En-Masse. A word of the faith that never balks, Here or henceforward it is all the same to me, I accept Time absolutely.
(b) It is time to explain myself — let us stand up. What is known I strip away, I launch all men and women forward with me into the Unknown. The clock indicates the moment — but

what does eternity indicate?

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(<i>c</i>)	And then a Plank in Reason, broke,
	And I dropped down, and down -
	And hit a World, at every plunge,
	And Finished knowing - then -
(<i>d</i>)	I've heard it in the chilliest land -
	And on the strangest Sea -
	Yet - never, in Extremity,
	It asked a crumb - of me.
(<i>e</i>)	It's when I'm weary of considerations,
	And life is too much like a pathless wood
	Where your face burns and tickles with the cobwebs
	Broken across it, and one eye is weeping
	From a twig's having lashed across it
	open.
(<i>f</i>)	An ant on the tablecloth
	Ran into a dormant moth

- Ran into a dormant moth Of many times his size. He showed not the least surprise.
- (g) What I must do, is all that concerns me, not what the people think. This rule equally arduous in actual and in intellectual life, may serve for the whole distinction between greatness and meanness.

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- (3)
- (h) Insist on yourself; never imitate. Your own gift you can present every moment with the cumulative force of a whole life's cultivation; but of the adopted talent of another, you have only an extemporaneous, half possession.
- 2. Write a critical appreciation of Poe's 'Dream Land'.

OR

'Song of Myself' is as much a song of America as of Walt Whitman.

3. Discuee the theme of pain and suffering in Emily Dickinson's poetry.

OR

Comment on Stevens' characteristics as a poet with reference to the poems you have read.

4. Discuss the main characteristics of Frost's poetry.

OR

Write a note on Sylvia Plath as a confessional poet.

5. Write a note on Emerson's views on self-reliance as it relates on society.

OR

What distinction does Thoreau made between the Government and the people in his essay 'Civil Disobedience'?

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Paper - IV

Colonial and Post Colonial Studies - I

Time : Three Hours] [Maximum Marks : 80

Note : Answer all questions. All questions carry equal marks. Answer should be within the word limit of 400.

Unit-I

1. What are the limitations of Post colonial theory ?

OR

How does Bhabha explain 'Hybridity'?

Unit-II

2. Kanthapura is an epic of the Gandhian nonviolence fight for freedom. Discuss.

OR

Justify the title The Foreigner by Arun Joshi.

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Unit-III

3. 'Exile and Alienation' is the central theme of V. S. Naipaul's *A House for Mr. Biswas*.

OR

How does Arundhati Roy highlight and critique social problems in *The God of Small Things*?

Unit-IV

4. 'The Glass Palace' is a critique of British colonialism. Discuss.

OR

Discuss the thematic aspects of the novel *The Namesake*.

Unit-V

- 5. Write short notes on any two of the following within the word limit of 200 each :
 - (a) Feminism in the Post colonial era
 - (b) Discuss two myths or legends used in Kanthapura and their symbolic importance
 - (c) How is casteism brought out in A God of Small Things?
 - (d) Write a note on the theme of alienation in *The Namesake*.

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Paper - V

Linguistics - I

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

Note : Answer **all** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Language may be defined as a 'system of arbitrary vocal symbols by which thought is conveyed from one human being to another'. Comment briefly on each of the elements of the definition : system, arbitrary, vocal, symbol and vehicle of thought.

OR

What is linguistics? Discuss. Distinguish between synchronic and diachronic linguistics.

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2. What is the scope of linguistics? Explain the branches of linguistics.

OR

Explain the concept of 'Langue' and 'Parole' as distinguished by Saussure.

3. Define socio-linguistics and distinguish among dialect, socio-dialect, registers and code.

OR

Write a note on the different theories of language acquisition in psycho-linguistics.

4. Define Morphology. What do you understand by morphs, morphemes, bound morpheme and free morpheme? Illustrate with examples.

OR

Write an essay on the phrase structure rules in English language and illustrate with examples.

- 5. Write short notes on any two of the following in about 250 words each:
 - (a) Linguistics as a science

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- (b) Competence and performance
- (c) Difference between socio-linguistics and psycho-linguistics
- (d) I. C. Analysis

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