



**KKW-6026**

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**B. A. (Sem. - III) Examination**

**November / December - 2014**

**CC - 305 : English**

*(Foundation Course in Literary Criticism)*

*(Core Compulsory)*

Time : 3 Hours]

[Total Marks : 70

- 1 (a) Discuss the nature and functions of literary criticism. 14

**OR**

- (b) What are the main qualities of a good critic? 14

- 2 (a) 'All art is Mimesis' - Discuss in the light of Plato's ideas on poetry. 14

**OR**

- (b) Discuss Aristotle's theory of imitation. 14

- 3 Show your acquaintance with any four of the following literary terms : 14

- (1) Humour
- (2) Allegory
- (3) Hamartia
- (4) Character
- (5) Imagination
- (6) Satire.

- 4 Critically appreciate the following poem : 14

**On His Blindness**

When I consider how my light is spent ere half my days, in this dark world and wide and that one talent which is death to hide, Lodg'd with me useless, though my soul more bent to serve therewith my maker, and present my true account, lest he returning chide, doth god exact day-labour, light deny'd ? I fondly ask; but patience to prevent.

That murmur, soon replies, god doth not need either man's work, or his gifts, who best bear his mild yolk, they serve him best, his state is kingly. Thousands at his bidding speed And post O'er Land and Ocean without rest; They also serve who only stand and waite.

- John Milton

- 5 Answer in brief any **seven** of the following questions : 14

- (1) What is the meaning of 'mimesis' ?
- (2) What is the difference between 'fancy' and imagination ?
- (3) What does Plato want to do with poets in his republic ?
- (4) What does 'setting' mean in literature ?
- (5) What is 'The poetics' ? Who wrote it ?
- (6) What is the essential qualification to become a critic of poetry according to Ben Jonson ?
- (7) What is the end of literary criticism ?
- (8) What is the soul of tragedy according to Aristotle ?
- (9) How did the word 'criticism' come in english ?
- (10) What does 'Plot' mean in literature ?
- (11) Who said that poets write under 'divine frenzy' ?
- (12) What is a figure of speech ?