# DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH GURUCHARAN COLLEGE, SILCHAR

18<sup>th</sup> September, 2024

# NOTICE

It is hereby notified that assignments will be received by the department in lieu of unit test for the Odd Semester – Session 2024–25 (except FYUGP  $1^{st}$  Semester DSC). The assignment questions are enclosed herewith.

All students are required to submit their assignments **as per schedule given below, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.**, mentioning their Name, Class, Stream, University Roll No., Registration No., Class Roll no. and Phone No. on the front page of their assignment/s. Please note that late submission of assignment/s will in no case be entertained.

5 <sup>th</sup> Sem CBCS ( <i>both Pass &amp; Hons.</i> )	23 <sup>rd</sup> September, 2024 (Monday)
FYUGP 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem DSC, SEC & DSM	24 <sup>th</sup> September, 2024 (Tuesday)
FYUGP 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem IDC Science	25 <sup>th</sup> September, 2024 (Wednesday)
FYUGP 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sem IDC (Arts & Commerce)	26 <sup>th</sup> September, 2024 (Thursday)
FYUGP 1 <sup>st</sup> Sem IDC ( <i>Arts, Science &amp; Commerce</i> )	27 <sup>th</sup> September, 2024 (Friday)
FYUGP 1 <sup>st</sup> Sem DSM & SEC	28 <sup>th</sup> September, 2024 (Saturday)

The unit test for the FYUGP 1<sup>st</sup> Semester DSC-English students will be held in offline mode during class hours as per the schedule given below:

ENGDSC-101: British Poetry (Beginnings to the 20<sup>th</sup> Century) – 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 (Monday) 10: 30 a.m. to 11: 30 a.m.

**ENGDSC-102:** British Drama (Beginnings to the  $20^{th}$  Century) –  $1^{st}$  October, 2024 (Tuesday) 10: 30 a.m. to 11: 30 a.m.

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH GURUCHARAN COLLEGE, SILCHAR ASSIGNMENT QUESTIONS – 2024

## First Semester FYUGP

# **ENGDSM - 101 :** British Literature I (The Elizabethan Period to the 18<sup>th</sup> Century)

Answer any 2 questions :

- 1. Attempt a note on the Elizabethan sonnet tradition.
- 2. Write what you know about the development and features of Elizabethan drama ?
- 3. Attempt a character sketch of Tom Jones as you find in Fielding's novel.
- 4. Attempt a critical appreciation of Shakespeare's Sonnet 29.
- 5. Discuss the central idea of Edmund Spenser's poem "Amoretti: Sonnet 78".

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#### First Semester FYUGP

#### **ENGIDC-101:** An Introduction to Literary Appreciation

Answer any 2 questions :

- 1. Write a critical appreciation of William Wordsworth's poem "The Solitary Reaper".
- 2. Define any 5 (five) terms : Sonnet, Lyric, Plot, Protagonist, Character, Short Story, Satire, Personification.
- 3. Justify the title of the short story "The Open Window".
- 4. Attempt a character sketch of Vera as find in "The Open Window".

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#### First Semester FYUGP

#### ENGSEC-101: English Communication and Soft Skills

Answer any 2 questions :

1. What is non-verbal communication ? Discuss the features of non-verbal communication skills.

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- 2. Discuss the types of written communication used in educational institutions.
- 3. What do you understand by written communication skills ? Write five features of written communication skills.
- 4. Discuss the importance of non-verbal communication skills for understanding people.

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## Third Semester FYUGP

## **ENGDSC–201**: Literary Movements in English Literature

Answer any 2 questions :

- 1. Write what you know about the influence of the Renaissance on English literature.
- 2. Discuss the salient features of Gothic literature.
- 3. Write what you about Romanticism as a literary movement.
- 4. Discuss the basic characteristics of modernism in literature.
- 5. What is postcolonialsm? Explain its salient features.

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## Third Semester FYUGP

## **ENGDSC-202:** British Prose (Beginnings to the Twentieth Century)

Answer any 2 questions :

- 1. Attempt a detailed analysis of the origins and early forms of British prose.
- 2. Write what you know about the Renaissance and humanist influence on British prose.
- 3. Attempt an analysis of Francis Bacon as an essayist with reference to "Of Studies" and "Of Discourse".
- 4. Attempt a critical analysis of Richard Steele's essay, "The Spectator's Club".
- 5. Discuss A. G. Gardiner's views on courtesy as you find in the essay "On Saying Please".

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Third Semester FYUGP

## **ENGDSM-201:** British Literatrure-II (The Romantics and the Victorians)

Answer any 2 questions :

1. Discuss the salient features of Romantic poetry.

- 2. Write what you know about Romantic fiction and non-fiction.
- 3. Write a critical appreciation of the poem "The Daffodils".
- 4. Discuss the central idea of the poem "Dover Beach".
- 5. Attempt a character sketch of David Copperfield as you find in Dickens' novel.

#### Third Semester FYUGP

#### **ENGIDC – 201**: Literature and Film

Answer any 2 questions :

- 1. Write what you know on writing about films.
- 2. Discuss the terms (a) *narrative* and (b) *characters*.
- 3. Discuss Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* as a romantic play.
- 4. Discuss the character of the astrologer as you find in R.K. Narayan's "An Astrologer's Day".
- 5. Write a film review of the film *Pride and Prejudice* directed by Joe Wright.

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#### Third Semester FYUGP

#### ENGSEC-201: Business English

Answer any 2 questions :

- 1. Discuss what you understand by Business English.
- 2. Analyse the differences between interactive and non-interactive correspondences.
- 3. Discuss the importance of e-correspondence in business.
- 4. What is an interview? Discuss the various types of interviews.
- 5. Write a job application for the post of a manager in an IT company and attach a detailed CV of yourself.

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Fifth Semester (CBCS - Honours)

# **Paper 501**: British Literature : The Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century

Answer any 2 questions :

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1. Write a detailed note on the drama of ideas and the contribution of the dramatists of the genre.

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- 2. Examine the characteristics of the poetry of the First World War.
- 3. Discuss the importance of the title of Joseph Conrad's novel Heart of Darkness.
- 4. Attempt a critical appreciation of W. B. Yeats' poem "Sailing to Byzantium".
- 5. Critically analyse the features of W. B. Yeats' poetry with reference to the poems prescribed in the syllabus.

## Fifth Semester (CBCS - Honours)

## Paper 502: Modern European Drama

Answer any 2 questions :

- 1. Discuss the character of Mrs. Alving in Ibsen's play Ghosts.
- 2. Evaluate the importance of the title of Brecht's play Mother Courage and Her Children.
- 3. Examine *Waiting for Godot* as a representative play of the Theatre of the Absurd.
- 4. Discuss the contemporary social condition of Russia as you find in *The Cherry Orchard*.
- 5. Analyse Ionesco's play *Rhinoceros* as an allegory.

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## Fifth Semester (CBCS - Honours)

## Paper DSE 501 Modern Indian Writing in English Translation

Answer any 2 questions :

- 1. Critically analyse Tagore's poem "Light, oh Where is Light".
- 2. Discuss the theme of caste as you find in Premchand's short story "The Shroud"...
- 3. Discuss Amrita Pritam's "I Say Unto Waris Shah" as a poem of partition.
- 4. Discuss the major thematic concerns of Thangjam Ibopishak's poem "The Land of Half Humans".

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5. Evaluate *Andha Yug* as an anti-war play.

#### Fifth Semester (CBCS - Honours)

## Paper DSE 502: British Literature: Post World War II

Answer any 2 questions :

1. Discuss Jeanette Winterson's Sexing the Cherry as a postmodern novel.

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- 2. Discuss the mother-son relationship between Dog Woman and Jordan in *Sexing the Cherry*.
- 3. Discuss why Philip Larkin calls the church "A serious house on serious earth".
- 4. Attempt a critical appreciation of Ted Hughes' poem "Hawk Roosting".
- 5. Discuss *Lucky Jim* as a campus novel.

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Fifth Semester (CBCS - Pass)

#### Paper DSE 501: Modern Indian Writing in English Translation

Answer any 2 questions :

- 1. Discuss the major thematic concerns of Thangjam Ibopishak's poem "The Land of Half Humans".
- 2. Critically analyse Tagore's poem "Light, oh Where is Light".
- 3. Discuss the central idea of Amrita Pritam's poem "I Say Unto Waris Shah".
- 4. Evaluate the aptness of the title of Premchand's short story "The Shroud".
- 5. Discuss *Untouchable Spring* as a story dealing with caste oppression.

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## Fifth Semester (CBCS - Pass)

## Paper GE 501: British Literature I (The Elizabethan Period to the 18<sup>th</sup> Century)

Answer any 2 questions :

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- 1. Write what you know about the Elizabethan sonnet tradition.
- 2. Attempt a critical appreciation of John Milton's poem "On his Blindness".
- 3. Discuss the main features of Metaphysical poetry.
- 4. Critically appreciate Shakespeare's Sonnet no. 65 OR Sonnet no. 116
- 5. Write what you know about the character of Robinson Crusoe as you find in Daniel Defoe's novel.

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