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FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN ARTS AND CULTURE

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EN 1212 LITERATURE IN ENGLISH – THEMATIC APPROACH

Time: Two (02) hours

Instructions to the candidates:

- This paper carries **six (06)** questions.
- This paper contains **two (02)** pages.
- Answer **any two questions in Part – A** and **any two questions in Part – B**.
- Altogether you must answer **four (04)** questions.
- Marks will be deducted for wrong spelling and wrong grammar.

PART – A

Question 01

Write short notes on the following:

- a) Character sketch
- b) Types of characters
- c) Narrative
- d) Plot

(3 Marks)

(5 Marks)

(2 Marks)

(10 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)

Question 02

Answer the following questions based on the poems “Yet another Incident in July 1983” by Basil Fernando and “Big Match 1983” by Yasimne Gooneratne:

- a) Describe the background of the poems
- b) Write short notes on the themes of the poems
- c) What do the poets advise through the poems?

(5 Marks)

(10 Marks)

(5 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)

Question 03

Answer the following questions based on the poem “The Poison Tree” by William Blake:

- a) Explain the lines “I told my wrath, my wrath did end”
and “I told it not, my wrath did grow.”
- b) What are the poet's feelings in the poem?
- c) What are the metaphors and symbols used in the poem?

(8 Marks)

(7 Marks)

(5 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)

PART – B

Question 04

Compare and contrast the following characters in the short story “The Tree Sprit” by Punyakanthi Wijenayake:

Sappohamy
Mansy Nona
Heen Menika

(30 Marks)

Question 05

Describe the theme, background, narrative techniques, and elucidate the use of symbol and metaphors in the poem “The Solitary Reaper” by William Wordsworth. Quote appropriate lines from the poem to support your statement.

(30 Marks)

Question 06

“The title of the short story ‘The Fox’ by D. H. Lawrence suggests the theme of the story.” Argue on the above statement with suitable examples from the short story.

(30 Marks)