

SCHOOL OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

M A English Semester 2

Topics for Assignment & Case Study

The page limit for Assignment is 15 and for the Case Study 10. Both shall be hand written and shall be submitted on the stipulated date. Do not use plastic folders or stick files.

Attempt any one question under each head.

Paper V Core EL 221 The Victorian Age

Assignment

1. The Victorian compromise between science and religion
2. The Pre Raphaelites
3. Write an essay on the evolution of growth of English novel.

Case Study

1. Treatment of history in *The Tale of Two Cities*
2. *The Importance of Being Earnest* as a comedy of manners

Paper VI Core EL 222 The 20th Century

Assignment

1. Attempt an essay on *The Waste Land* as modernist poem
2. The Four Kinds of Meaning
3. *Birthday Party* as a comedy of menace.

Case Study

1. The significance of GB Shaw as a dramatist
2. Ted Hughes as an animal poet.

Paper VII Core EL 223 Indian Writing in English

Assignment

1. The contributions of Tagore and Aurobindo
2. The Big Three in Indian English fiction
3. Indian English drama

Case Study

1. Tharoor's depiction of history in *The Great Indian Novel*
2. The poetry of Dom Moraes and Arun Koltkar

Paper VIII Core EL 224 Literary Theory 1

Assignment

1. Saussure's contribution to Literary Theory.
2. Structuralism and Post Structuralism
3. The major concepts of Deconstruction.

Case Study

1. Explain briefly in about 100 words:
 - repression
 - Unconscious
 - Id and ego
 - Imaginary and symbolic
 - Gynocriticism
 - Feminist critique