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FIFTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2021

(CBCSS - UG)

CC19U ENG5 B08 - LITERARY THEORY

(English - Core Course)

(2019 Admission - Regular)

Time : 2.5 Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Credit : 4

Part A (Short answer questions)

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

1. What is meant by the linguistic turn?
2. Name a few poststructuralists. Who is the poststructuralist who inaugurated the concept of 'deconstruction'?
3. What is the term used by Derrida to denote the inter relationship of speech and writing?
4. What are grand narratives?
5. What are the observations of Adorno and Horkheimer on cultural products and their role in capitalism?
6. What is orientalism according to Edward said? What are the two caegories?
7. What is Thatcherism?
8. What is Cultural Materialism?
9. What is Greenblatt's take on the importance of 'history'in the context of new historicism?
10. Name two seminal works by Second wave feminists.
11. Name a few major Black feminists and their important texts.
12. Name three important French feminists.
13. What do you mean by Queer theory?
14. What is reality according to postmodernists?

15. Who is the American scholar who can be truly called as a pioneer in the field of environmental imagination? Which is his seminal book?

(Ceiling: 25 Marks)

Part B (Paragraph questions)

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

16. Do you think that Structuralism negates the historical and cultural contextualising.
17. What are the major concerns of psychoanalytic literary criticism?
18. Write a short on Marxist criticism.
19. Explain the concept Gynocriticism.
20. What is the difference between old and new historicism?
21. Explain Foucauldian notion of power.
22. Briefly explain the advent of First wave feminism.
23. Write a short note on Deep Ecology.

(Ceiling: 35 Marks)

Part C (Essay questions)

Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

24. Examine the roots of Liberal Humanism and briefly describe the tenets of liberal humanism listed by Peter Barry in his book Beginning Theory.
25. Briefly examine the key theories of Ferdinand de Saussure in structural linguistics which was later co-opted by structuralists like Strauss, Barthes and Genette.
26. What are the basic tenets of feminist criticism? Describe in detail the different schools of feminist criticism.
27. Summarize the key features of postcolonial literary criticism.

(2 × 10 = 20 Marks)
