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British Literature IV

Semester: III

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SYLLABUS

Module 1:

Historical background to the literature from 1890

Module 2:

Thomas Hardy: The Darkling Thrush

W B Yeats: Byzantium, Sailing to Byzantium

T S Eliot: The Waste Land

Module 3:

W H Auden: In Memory of W. B. Yeats

Dylan Thomas: Fern Hill

Wilfred Owen: Apologia Pro Poemate Moe

Rupert Brook: The Soldier

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SYLLABUS

Module 4:

Virginia Woolf: To the Lighthouse*

Joseph Conrad: Lord Jim*

James Joyce: Portrait of an Artist as a Young Man*

Module 5:

G B Shaw: Candida

Samuel Beckett: Waiting for Godot Harold Pinter: The Birthday Party*

Module 6:

Marianne Thormählen. Reassigning "Modernism": The Case for Adopting the Concept as a Period

Designation in the Study of British Poetry. https://doi.org/10.1080/0013838X.2018.1555982

Francesca Bugliani Knox. Between Fire and Fire: T S Eliot's The Waste Land. The Heythrop Journal.

https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1111/heyj.12240

Piet Defraeye. Modern Drama: Critical Concepts in Literary and Cultural Studies.

DOI: 10.1353/mdr.0.0146

Damon Franke. Modernist Heresies: British Literary History, 1883–1924. The Ohio State University

Press. 2008.

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COURSE OBJECTIVES

Course Objectives:

The objective of the course is to:

- 1. Acquire an understanding of literary terms and forms of the age
- 2. Understand major literary, social, political and religious movements of the period
- 3. Understand major literary trends during the era
- 4. Acquire an understanding in analysing a text in its historical, religious and social context
- 5. Enable the students to understand the contribution of the writers in the development of major literary genres
- 6. Understand various literary devices for a better critical analysis of a text

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COURSE OUTCOMES

Course Outcomes:

On the successful completion of the course, the student would be able to:

- 1. Recognize the major literary trends of the period
- 2. Understand a literary text in its social, political and cultural context
- 3. Understand the nuances of literary language and changes in style
- 4. Understand the contribution of writers in the development of English literature
- 5. Understand various literary terms and forms
- 6. Use various literary devices for critical analysis of a text

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COURSE CONTENT UNIT-I

Social Background

- Victorian Mindset and problems
- Decadents
- Influence of Freud and Marx
- Various Literary, social and artistic Movements

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COURSE CONTENT UNIT-I

Social Background

Victorian Mindset and problems

- Pessimism
- Identity Crisis
- Chaos
- Indian Summer (Edward VII (1901–10)

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Social Background

Indian Summer (Edward VII (1901–10)

- Reign of Edward VII as an appendix to the Victorian age
- Living conditions
- The social reforms:
 - School Meal Act
 - Coal Mining Act
 - Old Age Pension
 - Parliament Act
 - National Insurance Act

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COURSE CONTENT UNIT-I

Social Background

Decadents

- Experimentation
 - Form
 - Style
- Movements

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Social Background

Various Literary, social and artistic Movements

- Surrealism
- Dadaism
- Symbolism
- Impressionism
- Naturalism
- Cubism, Etc.

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Social Background

World War I

- George V (1910–36)
- Beginning of the modern era
- Ruin of major European empires
- Rise of Communist Russia

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Social Background

World War I (Impact)

- Inflation and rise in taxes
- Decline of Colonial Powers
- Gender Equality
- Laboure Consciousness ad rise of trade unions and communism
- Social Reforms and Change in living habits
- Rise of Commonwealth

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COURSE CONTENT UNIT-I

Social Background

World War II

- 1939-45
- Rise of The USA and Russia



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Social Background

World War II (Impact)

- Existential Crisis
- Atlantic charter
- Welfare State
 - Education Act
 - National Insurance Act
 - National Health Service
- Nationalization
- Absurdity

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COURSE CONTENT UNIT-I

Revision

- Victorian Mindset and problems
- Influence of Freud and Marx
- Various Literary, social and artistic Movements
- Impact of World Wars

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COURSE CONTENT UNIT-I

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