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## THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024

(CBCSS)

## English

## ENG 3C 10—LITERARY CRITICISM AND THEORY—Part 2

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

- I. Write short essays on any five of the following in 200 words each:
  - 1 Why does Roland Barthes state that, "structuralism is essentially an activity"?
  - 2 What is meant by Neo-Marxism?
  - 3 Define Ecriture feminine.
  - 4 Discuss the significance of Subaltern studies.
  - 5 The concept of Deconstruction.
  - 6 Ecocriticism.
  - 7 Explain the Real, the Imaginary, and the Symbolic states proposed by Lacan.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ weightage})$ 

- II. Write essays on any four of the following in 450 words each:
  - 8 Critically evaluate the arguments of Jacques Derrida in "Structure, Sign and Play in the Discourse of Social Sciences".
  - 9 Why did Elaine Showalter say that it is essential to "reconstruct its past" while analyzing the literature of women?
  - 10 How does Edward Said prove that *Mansfield Park* is "the most explicit (work) in its ideological and moral affirmations of Austen's novels"?
  - 11 Examine how Louis Montrose has tried to explicate the idea of 'the historicity of texts and textuality of history' in the essay, "Professing the Renaissance: The Poetics and Politics of Culture".
  - 12 Discuss Lacan's view that, "the unconscious is structured like a language".
  - 13 Attempt a critique of Graham Good's views in "Presentism : Postmodernism, Poststructuralism, Postcolonialism".

 $(4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ weightage})$