

EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA

Third Year First Semester Examination in Arts and Culture 2014/2015
(May 2016)

EN 3113 – Literary Theory and Criticism

Answer any five questions.

Each question carries equal marks.

Time: 3 Hours

1. Write an essay on the topic "Plato as Critic". In your essay, give the contribution of Plato to criticism.
2. Write a detailed note on the following:
 - (a) Theoretical Criticism
 - (b) Descriptive Criticism
 - (c) Archetypal Criticism
 - (d) Sociological and Marxist Criticism
3. Discuss the essay "Tradition and Individual Talent" by T. S. Eliot with respect to "tradition" and "individual talent?"
4. "A creative writer and the child at play are both on the same line, according to Freud." Discuss the above statement from the essay "Creative Writers and Day-dreaming" by Freud.
5. Give a detailed account of Wordsworth's *Preface to Lyrical Ballads* on the composition of poetry.
6. Discuss the main ideas of Carl Jung's essay *Psychology and Literature*?
7. Explain the different stages of women writers described by Elaine Showalter in the essay *Towards a Feministic Poetics*."