

SOUTH EASTERN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION IN BACHELOR OF ARTS (EXTERNAL) - 2009 / 2010 HELD IN JUNE / JULY - 2010

ENG 1.11 – POETRY AND SHORT STORY

Answer five questions selecting at least two from each section.

Time: 03 Hours

SECTION - 1

- 1. How does William Wordsworth bring out romantic ideas through his poems?
- 2. Jean Arasanayagam's poetry deals mostly with ethnic violence. Do you agree?
- Compare and contrast the socio-political issues raised in Basil Fernando's and Suresh Canagarajah's poems you have studied.
- 4. What role do repetition and personification play in the ballad 'The Sands of Dee' by Charles Kingsley?

SECTION - 2

- 5. In James Joyce's short stories 'Araby' and 'Eveline', the central characters are victims of alienation. Discuss.
- 6. Discuss how Punyakanthi Wijeynayake has projected a rural romance with vivid and descriptive details in the short story 'The Harvest'?
- 7. What's the social tragedy highlighted by short story 'The Homecoming'?
- 8. The title in Nirmali Hettiarachchi's 'The Competition' is symbolic. Do you agree?