

University of Kelaniya – Sri Lanka

External Examinations Branch

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Faculty of Humanities

English - ENGL - E1015

Introduction to the Novel

Answer four (04) questions

No. of questions : 06

Time: 03 Hours

- 1. "In *Emma*, Austen reveals the significance placed on family background, reputation and wealth in determining a good marriage." Is this statement justified?
- 2. Examine the role of social class in Charles Dickens's Great Expectations.
- 3. "Gustav Flaubert's *Madame Bovary* presents the fate of a woman whose imagination made her rebel against gender norms." Do you agree?
- 4. Either
 - a) Examine the significance of the framing narratives of Nelly and Mr.Lockwood in Emily Bronte's Wuthering Heights.
 - Or
 - b) "In *Wuthering Heights* Emily Bronte examines the creative as well as the destructive nature of passion." Do you agree?
- 5. Discuss the theme of gender relations with reference to two of the prescribed novels.
- 6. Examine the role of the heroine in terms of being proactive rather than passive with reference to any two novels.