



University of Kelaniya – Sri Lanka

*Centre for Distance and Continuing Education*

Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree Second Examination (External) – 2015

2021 March - 2022 January

Faculty of Humanities

English

Shakespeare ENGL E – 2015

Answer any four (04) questions.

No. of Questions: 05

Time : 03 Hours

1. Examine how the themes of love and death contribute to the development of the plot in Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.
2. "Many of the characters in *The Tempest* are locked in a power struggle for their freedom." Do you agree with this statement? Discuss with appropriate references to the play by Shakespeare.
3. Discuss how Shakespeare's *Othello* is an elaborate portrayal of the weakness of human judgment.
4. Explore how conflict leads to the development of the themes, structure, and motifs of any two plays that you have studied for this course.

OR

Discuss how the structure of the Shakespearean tragedy evokes feelings of sympathy for the tragic hero with reference to any two prescribed plays.

5. Do you agree with the view that Shakespeare's plays reflect the historical realities of Elizabethan England through the themes, language and structure? Explain your answer by discussing two prescribed plays.