



University of Kelaniya – Sri Lanka

Centre for Distance and Continuing Education

Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree Third Examination (External) – 2022

June / July 2025

Faculty of Humanities

English

(Academic Years 2009 - 2016)

Romantic Poets - ENGL E3015

Answer any four (04) questions

No. of questions : 06

Time : Three Hours

- 1) Assess William Blake's contribution to the Romantic Movement with reference to the poems you have studied.
- 2) "Wordsworth's conviction of nature as a healing force is powerful but somewhat limited." Do you agree? Respond to this statement through a close reading of his poetry.
- 3) "The power of Keats' odes lies in the timeless human concerns and conflicts that he explores, often with heightened sensitivity." Discuss.
- 4) "Shelley's poetry, despite exaggeration and overstatement, is sensitive about the issues of his contemporary world." Is this a fair statement to make? Discuss with close reference to his poems.
- 5) "Teaching Romantic poetry is becoming increasingly irrelevant in Sri Lanka in the 21st century." Drawing from the poems you have studied, write an essay justifying and/or rejecting this claim, particularly with reference to secondary school students.
- 6) Compare and contrast any TWO Romantic poems that you have studied, examining what they depict of the poets as an emotionally intelligent observers of human experience.
