



University of Kelaniya – Sri Lanka

Centre for Distance and Continuing Education

Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree Third Examination (External) – 2019

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Faculty of Humanities

Western Classical Culture (New/ Old Syllabus)

Greek and Roman Literary Theory – WCCU - E 3025

Answer any five (05) questions

No. of questions : 08

Time : 03 Hours

01. With what justification could we consider Aristophanes as a literary critic?
02. What areas are covered by Plato's literary criticism? How fair are they?
03. Why would one say that Aristotle is more concerned about the impact of drama on the audience?
04. Write short notes on **two** of the following.
 - A) Role of the frogs in The Frogs of **Aristophanes**
 - B) Poetry compared to a wild beast by **Plato**
 - C) Reversals of fortune in **Aristotle**
05. What evaluation could you make on the ideas of **Horace** on literary composition? How fair is he?
06. How helpful are Longinus's advice on composing a work of literature?
07. Evaluate the different 'styles' that **Dionysius of Hallicanus** recommends.
08. Write short notes on the following.
 - A) Ideas of "purple patches" by **Horace**.
 - B) Writer's preparation as **Longinus** recommends.
