

University of Kelaniya - Sri Lanka

Centre for Distance and Continuing Education

Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree Second Examination (External) - 2019

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Faculty of Humanities

English (New/ Old Syllabus)

Shakespeare - ENGL- E 2015

Answer any Four (04) questions

No. of questions: 05

Time: 03 Hours

- 1. Analyse how the characters in Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* demonstrate selfless love and how it is brought out in the play.
- 2. "William Shakespeare's *The Tempest* demonstrates various power dynamics through the different relationships between characters". Discuss this statement with reference to the drama.
- 3. Examine how Shakespeare portrays complex human nature through the characters' experiences of love, jealousy, and deception in *Othello*.
- 4. "Death is a recurring theme in many of Shakespeare's plays." Examine how Shakespeare uses the theme of death to explore deeper themes of love, power, and morality with reference to <u>any two</u> prescribed plays.
- 5. "Shakespeare's dramas portray the social, political, and cultural norms of the Elizabethan society." Discuss this statement with reference to <u>any two</u> Shakespearean plays you have studied for the course.