# Recruitment Test for Lecturers for Degree Classes, 2021

#### **Syllabus**

#### **English**

The candidates shall answer 100 Multiple Choice Questions. Each correct answer carries 1.5 mark and 0.5 marks shall be deducted for each wrong answer.

**Unit-1** British literature from Chaucer to the Contemporary period

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### Unit - 2 Indian Writing in English

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- (i) Poetry, Novel, Drama from 1930s till the Contemporary period
- (ii) Indian Classical Literature: 'The Dicing' and 'The Sequel to Dicing,' in the *Mahabharata* by Vyasa, *Abhijnanasakuntalam* by Kalidasa, *Mrcchakatika* by Sudraka, Bharata's Rasa theory

**Unit 3** - **American Literature** From the 1850s to the contemporary period

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## Unit – 4-Popular Literatures, Postcolonial Literature, World Literature & Literature of Diaspora [20]

**World Literature**: Albert Camus, Fyodor Dostoyvosky, Margaret Atwood, Alice Monroe, Pablo Neruda, Octavio Paz, Henrik Ibsen, August Strindberg, Luigi Pirandello, Eugene Ionesco, Jean Genet, Samuel Beckett, Bertolt Brecht

**Postcolonial Literature:** V S Naipaul, Chinua Achebe, Nadine Gordimer, J M Coetze, Salman Rushdie **Literature of Diaspora –** Kiran Desai, Jhumpa Lahiri, Amitav Ghose, Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni.

**Popular Literature:** Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Agatha Christie, Shobha De, Chetan Bhagat, Amish Tripathi, Anuja Chandramouli

#### **Unit-5 Literary Theory and Criticism**

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- i. Aristotle: *Poetics*
- ii. Wordsworth: "Preface to Lyrical Ballads"
- iii. Matthew Arnold "Study of Poetry", "Culture & Anarchy"
- iv. New Criticism & Formalism I.A Richards, T.S.Eliot, F.R. Leavis, Cleanth Brooks, William K. Wimsatt Jr., Monroe Beardslay, Victor Sahklovsky, Roman Jacobson.
- v. Marxist Criticism Louis Althusser, Raymond Williams, Stephen Greenblatt, Terry Eagleton,
- vi. Structuralism and Post- Structuralism, Ferdinad Saussure, Claude Levi Strauss, Roland Barthes, Jacques Derrida, Michel Foucault.
- vii. Feminism Virginia Woolf, Simone de Beauvoir, Elaine Showalter, Luce Irigaray, Mary Wollstonecraft.
- viii. Post-Colonialism Edward Said, Homi K. Bhabha, Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak.
- ix. Eco-criticism and Eco-feminism Rachel Carson, Colleen Mack-Canty.

#### Unit -6 Grammar in context

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(Subject- verb agreement, Tense and Aspects, Active and Passive voice, Direct and Indirect Speech, Prepositions, Modals, Phrasal Verbs, Linking Devices, Conditional Sentences)