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राजपिपला, जि॰ नर्मदा Rajpipla, Dist. Narmda Established by Tribal Development Department, Govt. of Gujarat

School of Arts B.A. (English) Programme

Subject Code & Name: BA04MJENG1 THE MODERN AGE

Teaching and Evaluation Scheme:

Teaching Scheme Credits				Examination Scheme Component Weightage (%)			
L	T	P	Total	TH	PWE	TH	PWE
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Programme Name	B.A.		
Semester	IA		
Course Code	BA04MJENG1		
Course Title	THE MODERN AGE		
Course Content Type (Th./Pr.)	Theory		
Course Credit	4		
Sessions+ Lab. Per Week	4		
Total Teaching/Lab. Hours	60 Hours		
* 2 Laboratory = 1 Session			

Learning Objectives

- 1. To understand the historical, political, and cultural backdrop of the Modern Age, including World Wars, industrialization, urbanization, and changing social structures
- 2. To analyze key literary texts that exemplify Modernist features like stream of consciousness, irony, interior monologue, and symbolism
- 3. To study how genre and form were redefined during this period across poetry, fiction, drama, and essays

Prerequisites (if any)

Learning Outcomes

After completing the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Critically evaluate the characteristics of Modernist literature
- 2. Identify key themes such as existential crisis, urban alienation, war trauma, and the search for meaning
- 3. Analyze the use of experimental techniques in prose and poetry
- 4. Compare modern literary forms with those of earlier periods like Victorian or Romantic literature

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Detailed	Contents	TEACHING	
UNIT	TOPIC/SUB-TOPIC	HOURS	
	Historical Background		
	A. The Salient Features of the Modern Age		
I	B. Poetic Drama	15	
	C. The Drama of Absurd		
	D. The Problem Play		
	Poetry		
	A. T S Eliot: The Hollow Men		
II	B. William Butler Yeats: Among School Children	15	
	C. G M Hopkins: Spring and Fall		
	D. W. H. Auden: As I Walked Out One Evening		
III	Drama	15	
Ш	Harold Pinter: The Care Taker	13	
IV	Novel	15	
1 V	DH Lawrence: Women in Love	13	

Text Book(s)

- 1. Lawrence, D H. Women in Love, Paperback, Rupa Publications, 2000.
- 2. Pinter, Harold. The Care Taker, Paperback, Faber & Faber, 1991.

Reference Books

- 1. Albert, Edward. History of English Literature. Calcutta: Oxford University Press, 1990.
- 2. Alexander, Michael. *A History of English Literature*, Basingstoke and London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2000.
- 3. Brooks, Cleanth and Robert Penn Warren (eds). *Understanding Poetry: An Anthology for College Students*, New York: Henry Holt, 1938.
- 4. Cuddon, J. A. The Penguin Dictionary of Literary Terms. London; N.Y: Penguin, 1999.
- 5. Daiches, David. *A Critical History of English Literature* (Vol. 1,2,3,4), New Delhi: Allied Publishers Ltd., 1996.
- 6. Hudson, William Henry, *An Introduction to the Study of Literature*, New Delhi: Atlantic, 2006.
- 7. Klarer, Mario. An Introduction to Literary Studies Routledge, 2000.
- 8. Legouis, Emile & Cazamian, Louis, *A History of English Literature*, London: J. M. Dent and Sons Ltd.. 1960.
- 9. Scholes, Robert E Carl H. Klaus, Michael Silverman ed. *Elements of Literature: Essay, Fiction, Poetry, Drama, Film*, Oxford University Press, 2004 (3rd Ed).





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Web Resources

- 1. Online Resources
- 2. https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems

Required Software(s) (if any)

Practical(s) (if any)

L:: Lecture, T:: Tutorial, P::Practical

CCE::Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation

(CCE Theory includes Mid Semester Examination, Assignment, MCQ quizzes, Seminar, Reflective notes, class participation, case analysis and presentation; slip tests (announced/surprised), attendance etc. or any combination of these)

PWE::Practical Work Examination

(PWE includes Laboratory practical work, project work, viva simulation exercise work etc.)

SEE::Semester End Evaluation

