

M.A (ENGLISH) Semester - 3 (CBCS) Examination**Nov/Dec-2023 (NEW COURSE)****Literary Theories in the Second Half of the 20th Century (Core (New))****Time: 2:30 Hours****Marks: 70****Instructions:**

1. All questions are compulsory.
 2. Figures to the right indicate marks.
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Que.1 Marxism relates literature to the social and political conditions of the time in which it is written. Substantiate the statement. (14)

OR

Que.1 Discuss the concept of 'alienation' and explain its levels as identified by Kari Marx.

Que.2 Meaning can be constructed within a certain system of relationship. Discuss the structuralism as a literary theory in the light of this remark. (14)

OR

Que.2 Write a critical essay on the basic principles of Structural Linguistics.

Que.3 Deconstruction is not a dismantling of the structure of a text, but a demonstration that it has already dismantled itself. Comment. (14)

OR

Que.3 Write a note on Derrida's contribution to post- Structuralism.

Que.4 "Reality consists of objects and events as they are perceived in the human consciousness". Discuss the phenomenological theory of literary criticism with reference to this statement. (14)

OR

Que.4 Assess Roland Barthes as the Reader- Response theorist.

Que.5 Attempt any two of the following. (14)

1. Metalanguage
2. Binary Opposition
3. Implied Reader and Actual Reader
4. Concept of Hegemony in Marxist Criticism
