

# KANYASHREE UNIVERSITY

M.A. 4<sup>th</sup> Semester Examination-2023

Subject: English

Course-CC 16

Literary Theory II

Full Marks-40

Time-2.00 Hours

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## Group A

[Answer **any four** of the following]

5×4=20

1. “The centre is at the centre of the totality, and yet, since the centre does not belong to the totality.”— Explain briefly.
2. Comment on Fredric Jameson’s comparison of postmodernism with schizophrenia.
3. What does Baudrillard mean by “The Divine Irreference of Images”?
4. Briefly explain Baudrillard’s concept of “The Hyperreal”.
5. Comment briefly on Foucault’s notion of “author.”
6. What according to Derrida is “logocentrism”?
7. “We need to interpret interpretation more than to interpret things.” Explain.

## Group B

1. Answer **any one** of the following questions: 10x1 = 10
  - a) Comment on the politics of consumerism in postmodernism with reference to Fredric Jameson’s text “Postmodernism and the Consumer Society.”
  - b) Critically comment on Lyotard's critique of grand narratives.
2. Answer **any one** of the following questions: 10x1 = 10
  - a) Critically comment on the following terms in the context of poststructuralism:
    - i. *Différance*
    - ii. Bricolage
  - b) Write an essay indicating the difference between Barthes’s and Foucault’s concept of “author.”

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