

University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

Faculty of Arts

Second Year Examination in Arts (Study Stream), Semester 1, 2018/2019

English Studies: Theory and Practice

ENG 2121 – Metaphysical and Neoclassical Poetry

Two Hours

Answer ONE question from Part A and ONE question from Part B.

Part A

EITHER

1. Critically discuss the depiction of fathers and sons in John Dryden's 'Mac Flecknoe'.

OR

2. "The true end of satire is the amendment of vices by correction."
Critically consider how John Dryden attempts to amend vices through his use of satire in *Absalom and Achitophel*.

Part B

EITHER

3. In your opinion, how successful is Alexander Pope's 'An Essay on Criticism' as a didactic poem?

OR

4. Critically discuss the commodification of female bodies in Alexander Pope's *The Rape of the Lock*.
