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B.A DEGREE EXAMINATION

FGL 402: Literary Criticism

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Time Allowed: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTION: Answer TWO Questions

1. Comment on the three main pillars of literature, that is the author, the text and the reader, stating what each of them contributes to the literary edifice.
2. What are the main differences between classical and neo-classical criticism on the one hand and romantic criticism on the other? Which of the two do you prefer and why?
3. Intrinsic and extrinsic approaches to literary criticism emphasize different attributes of literature. Which attributes and why are they important to literary criticism?
4. Write briefly on any three of the following:
 - (i) Literature
 - (ii) Literary Criticism
 - (iii) Art for Art's Sake
 - (iv) Form and Content
5. What are the main differences between the novel and poetry? Give examples from novels and poetry that you are familiar with.