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M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - JULY 2021 SEMESTER 2 : ENGLISH

COURSE: 16P2ENGT10; THEORIES OF KNOWLEDGE

(For Regular - 2020 Admission & Supplementary - 2019/2018/2017/2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART A Answer any 6 (3 marks each)

- 1. Write a short note on binaries.
- 2. Define culture as material.
- 3. What are the differences between Semiology and semiotics?
- 4. Define totalization.
- 5. Write a short note on Claude Levi-Strauss.
- 6. What is a myth?
- 7. Write a note on the Foucauldian understanding of Power?
- 8. Define uncanny
- 9. What does Lyotard mean by postmodern condition?

 $(3 \times 6 = 18)$

PART B

Answer any 5 (6 marks each)

- 10. Discuss Srtucturalism as a model for cultural studies.
- 11. Write a note on Eco-criticism.
- 12. What is structuralism?
- 13. What is Narratology?
- 14. How does Levi-Strauss establish the idea that myth is a language?
- 15. Which are the two interpretations of interpretation according to Derrida?
- 16. Why does Foucault consider disciplinary mechanisms as mechanisms of bio-power?
- 17. Lyotard's views on the differences between scientific knowledge and narrative knowledge

 $(6 \times 5 = 30)$

PART C Answer any 1 (12 marks each)

- 18. Discuss the major structuralist canons.
- 19. How does Miller establish his argument that no reading can be obvious and univocal?
- 20. What are Foucault's proposals on the analysis of the mechanisms of power?

 $(12 \times 1 = 12)$

PART D

Answer any 1 (15 marks each)

- 21. "Contemporary politics is the politics of life." Examine this statement with refernce to the essays precribed in the syllabus
- 22. Examine structuralism as a method of critical analysis of texts in the light of the essays prescribed for your study
- 23. What are the major differences between Structuralism and Poststructuralism?

 $(15 \times 1 = 15)$