

淡江大學 98 學年度轉學生招生考試試題

系別：英文學系三年級

科目：英國文學(一)

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Choose FOUR from the following questions. 25 points for each.

Please state your thesis in the beginning, and provide examples from the texts to support your argument.

1. What is the significance of the green girdle in *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*?
2. Summarize "The Wife of Bath's Prologue" and discuss its importance.
3. Towards the end of *King Lear*, Gloucester laments that "As flies to wanton boys are we to the gods; they kill us for their sport." Based on what happens to the major characters in the play, do you agree with the old man that there is no justice in the world?
4. Discuss John Donne's literary contribution to English poetry.
5. Analyze the portrayal of Eve in John Milton's *Paradise Lost*.
6. In Jonathan Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*, how is the society of the Yahoos different from the society of the Houyhnhnms? Do you consider the Houyhnhnms ideal beings?