## 淡江大學 99 學年度碩士班招生考試試題

系别:英文學系

## 科目:英國文學

P.

本試題共 2 頁, 3 大題

- I. Choose <u>four</u> out of the following works and briefly explicate their importance in English Literature. (20%)
  - 1. Preface to Lyrical Ballads
  - 2. Frankenstein (The Modern Prometheus)
  - 3. Ulysses
  - 4. David Copperfield
  - 5. Paradise Lost
  - 6. Beowulf
  - 7. A Vindication of the Rights of Woman
  - 8. Heart of Darkness
- II. Identify the author and title of the following passages. (20%)
  - 1. The trumpet of a prophecy! O Wind,/ If Winter comes, can Spring be far behind?
  - 2. For all good poetry is the spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings.
  - 3. Water, water, every where, / And all the boards did shrink; / Water, water, every where, / Nor any drop to drink.
  - 4. We live in an age of surface.
  - 5. Ah, sad and strange as in dark summer dawns/ The earliest pipe of half-awakened birds/ To dying ears, when unto dying eyes/ The casement slowly grows a glimmering square;/ So sad, so strange, the days that are no more.
  - April is the cruellest month, breeding/ Lilacs out of the dead land, mixing/ Memory and desire, stirring/ Dull roots with spring rain.
  - Thou wast not born for death, immortal Bird!/No hungry generations tread thee down;/ The voice I hear this passing night was heard/ In ancient days by emperor and clown.
  - 8. I assert *literature* to contain the materials which suffice for thus making us know ourselves and the world.
  - 9. Painting, or art generally, as such, with all its technicalities, difficulties, and particular ends, is nothing but a noble and expressive language, invaluable as the vehicle of thought, but by itself nothing.
  - 10. And there's a hand, my trusty fiere! And gie's a hand o'thine! And we'll tak a right gude-willie-waught, For auld lang syne.

## 淡江大學 99 學年度碩士班招生考試試題

系別:英文學系

科目:英國文學

P.2

本試題共 2 頁, 3 大題

## III. Essay Questions (60%)

- 1. Please discuss the theme and meaning of Christopher Marlowe's Doctor Faustus.
- 2. *Modern Fiction* is an essay that reflects Virginia Woolf theories of modern fiction. Please use the theories you learned from this essay to discuss her *The Mark on the Wall*, a short piece that demonstrates some of the techniques and themes that appear in Woolf's novels.
- 3. Please offer a short discussion to Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*, a play that implicitly satirises Victorian social values and moral disciplines with absurd trivia to show the society itself is so hollow.