

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)
Semester III
Course Code: BAB32302T
Reading Poetry

Section A

Unit 1: Understanding Poetry: Types of Poetry: Lyric, Ode, Sonnet, Elegy, Ballad, Epic, Mock Epic, Dramatic Monologue, Haiku, Confessional Poetry, conceit, doggerel, hymn.

Unit 2: Terms pertaining to Poetry

- **Stanza:** Couplet, tercet, terza rima, ottava rima, quatrain, spensarian stanza, rime royal.
- **Meter:** Heroic Couplet, Free Verse and Blank Verse.
- **Poetic devices:** alliteration, assonance, simile, metaphor, image, symbol, rhyme, Imagery, hyperbole, allusion.

The poems given below are prescribed from the text book *Selected College Poems*. Edited by Ambika Sengupta. Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2012.

Unit 3:

- (i) All the World's a Stage
- (ii) Kubla Khan
- (iii) Ode to the West Wind

Unit 4:

- (iv) La Belle Dame Sans Merci
- (v) Ulysses
- (vi) My Last Duchess

Unit 5:

- (vii) Say not the Struggle not Avail
- (viii) A Prayer for My Daughter
- (ix) The Road not Taken
- (x) Journey of the Magi

Section B

Unit 6: Insight into great poetic movements

- Metaphysical poetry
- Romantic poets
- Pre-Raphaelite Poets

Unit 7: Indian English Poets

- **Rabindranath Tagore:** I Cast My Net into the Sea, When I Go Alone at Night
- **Nissim Ezekiel:** Night of the Scorpion, Good Bye party for Miss Pushpa T.S

Unit 8: Women Poets

- **Sarojini Naidu:** Cradle Song
- **Annie Walker:** Women's Rights
- **Maya Angelou:** I Know why the Caged Birds Sing