

BEGC 112

**Bachelor of Arts (English) Honours
BAEGH**

ASSIGNMENT

(For July 2023 and January 2024 Sessions)

**FIFTH SEMESTER
BRITISH LITERATURE: EARLY
TWENTIETH CENTURY**



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Assignment BEGC 112

Programme: BAEGH/2023-2024

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Dear Student,

You are required to do **one** assignment for the course ‘**British Literature: Early Twentieth Century**’ (BEGC 112). It is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) and carries 100 marks. It covers four blocks of the course.

Your answers are expected to reflect your critical reading skills and your understanding of the topics covered in the course. You should write the answers in your own words, instead of repeating passages from the study material.

Guidelines:

As in day-to-day life, **planning** is important in attempting the assignment as well. Read the assignment carefully; go through the units on which the questions are based; jot down some points regarding each question and then re-arrange them in a logical order. In the essay- type answer, pay attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must tell you how to interpret the given topic and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your views on the topic. **You should submit the assignment in your own handwriting.**

Make sure that your answer:

- a) is logical
- b) is written in simple and correct English
- c) does not exceed the number of words indicated in your questions
- d) is written neatly and clearly.

Please remember that it is compulsory to submit your assignment before you can take the Term End Examination. Also remember to keep a copy of your assignment with you and to take a receipt from your Study Centre when you submit the assignment.

Last Date for Submission of Assignment:

For June Examination	31st March
For December Examination	30th September

Good Luck!

Note: Remember the submission of assignment is a precondition for appearing in the examination. If you do not submit the assignment on time, you will not be allowed to appear in the examination.

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Answer all questions in this assignment.

SECTION A

I Explain the following passages with reference to the context. **10x4=40**

1. ““What are you saying Septimus,” Rezia asked, wild with terror, for he was talking to himself. She sent Agnes running for Dr. Holmes. Her husband, she said, was mad. He scarcely knew her. “You brute! You brute!” cried Septimus, seeing human nature, that is Dr. Holmes enter the room.”
2. “..... but now I know
That twenty centuries of stony sleep
Were vexed to nightmare by a rocking cradle,
And what rough beast, its hour come round at last,
Slouches towards Bethlehem to be born?”
3. “We returned to our places, these Kingdoms,
But no longer at ease here, in the old dispensation,
With an alien people clutching their gods.
I should be glad of another death.”
4. “He was found by the Bureau of Statistics to be
One against whom there was no official complaint,
And all the reports on his conduct agree
That, in the modern sense of an old-fashioned word, he was a saint.”

Section B

II. Write short notes on the following: **4x5=20**

- A. The major characteristics of modernism
- B. British War Poetry of the early twentieth century.
- C. The central theme of the poem “The Second Coming”.
- D. Symbolism in “The Journey of the Magi”.

III. Write short essays on the following: **10x2=20**

- a. Explain the title of the poem “I think continually of those who are truly great.”
- b. Discuss how Virginia Woolf employs the “Stream of Consciousness Technique” in her novels. How did her novels differ from those novels written in the realist tradition?

Section C

IV. Discuss the psychoanalytic readings of D. H. Lawrence’s novel *Sons and Lovers*. **20**