



FINAL EXAM
ENGLISH 207:
INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH LITERATURE II
SPRING 2002

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TIME ALLOWED: 2 and a half hours

PART I: 50%

Choose one of the following two poems – “The Sorrow of Love” (1891) by William Butler Yeats and “My Sad Captains” (1961) by Thom Gunn – and analyze your selection in terms of technique and ideas while offering your interpretation.

*To quote the poems refer to:
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PART II: 50%

Write a short but informed essay in response to one of the following three comparative essay questions. Remember to develop a thesis that goes beyond mere comparisons.

1. Compare and contrast the social gatherings in Katherine Mansfield’s “The Garden Party” (1921) and James Joyce’s *The Dead* (1914). Consider the following: purpose, menu, entertainment, setting, host-guest relationship, conversation, etc.
2. How are the men in Gunn’s poem “Black Jackets” (1954) similar in lifestyle and attitude to Ben and Gus in Harold Pinter’s play *The Dumb Waiter* (1960)?
3. Compare and contrast the different views on British imperialism as manifested in Rupert Brooke’s “The Soldier” (1914) and George Orwell’s “Shooting an Elephant” (1936).

