



ENGL 213

FINAL EXAM-ENGL 213  
Neoclassical and Romantic Age

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TIME ALLOWED: 2.5 hrs. max.

**Directions:**

Choose **ONE** of the following five comparative essay questions. You need **2 texts** (already specified) for whichever question you choose. Make sure to have a **thesis** in a **complete, original, and informed** essay, with an introduction, a body, and a conclusion. Please proofread carefully!  
GOOD LUCK!

1. Compare and contrast the **pessimistic mood** prevailing in Wordsworth's "The World is Too Much with Us" and Byron's "They Say that Hope is Happiness."
  2. What do Shelley's **west wind** and Blake's **tiger** have in common? Discuss their symbolic qualities.
  3. Blake and Wordsworth agree that human **reason and traditional education are not sufficient for being a full human being**. This seems evident in "There is No Natural Religion" and "The Tables Turned", respectively. Wherein, more precisely, lie their similarities but also their differences?
  4. Discuss '**vanity**' in its different guises in "Ozymandias" and "Ode to the West Wind".
  5. Discuss the vulnerability and limitations of **beauty** in **one** of the following pairs:
    - A. Natural (organic/dynamic) Beauty in "She Walks in Beauty" and "Rime of the Ancient Mariner"
- OR**
- B. Artistic (inorganic/static) Beauty in "On a Grecian Urn" and "Ozymandias"