



Høgskolen i Telemark

MIDT-EKSAMEN

2002-001: BRITISH LITERATURE AND CULTURE 1600–1950

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Tid: 2 timer

Målform: Engelsk

Sidetal:

Hjelpemiddel: Godkjent engelsk-engelsk ordbok

Merknader:

Vedlegg:

Eksamensresultata blir offentliggjort på nettet, via Arena høgskole. Passordet til Arena har alle studenter fått i eget brev ved semesterstart.

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ESSAY TOPICS:

EITHER

1. British reactions to the French Revolution

Discuss the British reactions to the French Revolution with reference to AT LEAST TWO of the following texts:

Edmund Burke: *Reflections on the Revolution in France* (1790)

Mary Wollstonecraft: *A Vindication of the Rights of Men* (1790)

Thomas Paine: *Rights of Man* (1791)

OR

2. Shakespeare, Sonnet 130

Give an interpretation of William Shakespeare's sonnet no. 130.

(Text provided p. 3).

William Shakespeare:

Sonnet 130

My mistress' eyes are nothing like the sun;
Coral is far more red than her lips' red;
If snow be white, why then her breasts are dun;
If hairs be wires, black wires grow on her head;
I have seen roses damasked, red and white,
But no such roses see I in her cheeks;
And in some perfumes is there more delight
Than in the breath that from my mistress reeks.
I love to hear her speak, yet well I know
That music hath a far more pleasing sound;
I grant I never saw a goddess go;
My mistress when she walks treads on the ground.
 And yet, by heaven, I think my love as rare
 As any she belied with false compare.