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Faculty of Humanities
Western Christian Culture - WCCU - E3015
Greek and Roman Literature

Answer any five (05) questions

No. of questions : 09  Time : 03 Hours

01. How does Hesiod use epic qualities for promoting agriculture? Discuss with reference to the Works and Days.

02. To what ends does Virgil use descriptions of the Italian countryside in his Georgics? Discuss.

03. How influential is the epic tradition in Herodotus representation of history? Examine with reference to the Histories.

04. How does Thucydides transform the conflict between Athens and Sparta into a work of art? Discuss with reference to the History of the Peloponnesian War.

05. Discuss Socrates’ description of love as the culmination of degrees of love as revealed in Plato’s the Symposium.

06. Discuss the representation of death within the literary context of Plato’s The Phaedo.

07. How explicit is the image of the Roman emperor in Tacitus The Annals of Imperial Rome? Discuss.

08. How does Juvenal use satire to communicate bitterness in his Sixteen Satires? Discuss.

09. What techniques does Lucretius use to convey his Philosophy? Discuss with reference to On the Nature of the Universe.

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