

國立暨南國際大學外國語文學系

101 學年度碩士班入學甄試（文學組）試題

考試科目：英文寫作（文學作品評論）

Write a 400-700 word essay on the two poems on the attached sheet. The essay should have two main parts: a comparison of the poems and an evaluation of the poems. Your comparison can include things like the content of the two poems, the technique of the two poems, the meaning of the poems and the aesthetic effects of the two poems. Your evaluation should discuss which is the stronger poem and which is the weaker poem, or if you prefer, which is the better poem and which is the worse poem. You must say why. Your reasons for your evaluation may be personal but must be explicit, consistent, and not arbitrary. In your writing, make sure to write in complete sentences, quote from the poems where useful or necessary, and use paragraphs. Grading for the essay will be based on the following percentages: comparison, 40%; evaluation 40%; writing mechanics (appropriate, punctuation, sentences, quotes, and paragraphs) 20%

I

"England! With all thy faults I love thee still,"

I said at Calais, and have not forgot it;

I like to speak and lucubrate my fill;

lucubrate: write

I like the government (but that is not it);

I like the freedom of the press and quill;

quill: pen

I like the Habeas Corpus (when we've got it);

habeas corpus:

I like a parliamentary debate,

the right to hear

Particularly when it's not too late;

evidence (often

suspended)

I like the taxes, when they're not too many;

sea coal: high

I like a sea coal fire, when not too dear;

quality coal

I like a beef-steak, too, as well as any;

dear: expensive

Have no objection to a pot of beer;

I like the weather, when it is not rainy,

That is, I like two months of every year,

And so God save the Regent, Church, and King!

Regent: King's

Which means that I like all and everything.

advisor

II

I travelled among unknown men,

In lands beyond the sea;

Nor, England! did I know till then

What love I bore to thee.

'Tis past, that melancholy dream!

past: over

Nor will I quit thy shore

quit: leave

A second time; for still I seem

To love thee more and more.

Among thy mountains did I feel

The joy of my desire;

And she I cherished turned her wheel

wheel: used

Beside an English fire.

to make yarn

Thy mornings showed, thy nights concealed,

The bowers where Lucy played;

bower: grove

And thine too is the last green field

That Lucy's eyes surveyed.