

- 注意事項：
1. 答案一律寫在試卷上，否則不予計分。
 2. 請標明題號依序作答，不必抄題。
 3. 試題應隨同試卷繳回，不得攜出試場。

Introduction to Western Literature (duration: eighty minutes)

Do all the essay questions (each worth 20%). Distribute your time, and use complete sentences to present your discussions.

1. Aristotle's the Poetics is one of the earliest pieces of literary criticism; it defines tragedy and discusses its six component elements. Try to elaborate his ideas about plot construction, characterization, catharsis, and probability in Poetics.
2. Renaissance connotes far more than "rebirth" of interest in classical Greek and Latin literature; it influences western culture profoundly. Try to discuss the relationship between the Renaissance and the Reformation.
3. During the seventeenth century, the concept of neo-classicism spread over the European literature. Briefly discuss Boileau's points of view in effecting the triumph of neo-classicism in France.
4. In Russian literature, A. Pushkin (1799-1837) has been regarded as "the Byron of Russia". Try to discuss briefly Byronic influences on Pushkin's poetic creation.
5. Try to define the literary naturalism, and you can illustrate your points with any specific literary works you like.