

## ROLE & SCOPE OF LITERATURE FOR TECHNOCRATS

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### Abstract

Literature is not only about the artistic and imaginative works of writers, it is also about life and living; it is about human experience and humanness. Benjamin DeMott endorses this when he says that the whole scope of language, which includes literature, has to do with "individual human feeling, human response, and human time, as these can be known through the written expression (at many literary levels) of men living and dead. Technological change in all fields has made the mind of technical students mechanically busy that is harmful to the development of the technology and industry. Worldwide, there is an urgent need to make their education more relevant, exciting and instinctually rigorous. I intend to provide an overview and perspective that the study of English literature proves a great tool to approach and look at different facets of life. It is through reading of great literary and poetic work, technical students may understand the life well. In many ways the study of English literature can change the perspective of these technical students towards life. Thus, this paper observes carefully the different outlook on the role of literature in ethical education and importance of literature in the life of these modern technocrats.

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### Introduction

Through this research paper I Intend to make some observation regarding the role and scope of studying literature for technical students as literature is written by human beings and there is no part of life that has never been written about, and so... it reflects and mirrors what people think. Sometimes badly, sometimes well, depending on how well whoever is writing can translate his or her experiences into words for others to read. Thus, these students can enjoy literature as they face life's experiences in the reading of imaginative works. According to me, there is an initial need of studying literature for technical students to balance the technical skills as well as social skills. This will surely serve the purpose as literature not only introduce these students to a range of aspects but also help them to develop moral values and discover life's purpose. Literature includes poetry, drama, biographies, and prose works etc. In every form, however, the idea of a story is present, and it is this, that ensures its value for young reader as well as pleasure and understanding.

## Understanding Literature at the different points of views !!!!!!!!!!!!!

"I study literature because I believe there is power in stories. Literature is both intensely personal as well as a communal experience. I love examining how words, sentences, characters, plot-lines and tropes reveal who we are as humans. Humanity is a complicated thing, and requires an infinite amount of words to describe and analyze. That's the joy of studying literature, there is always a new reality to discover."—*Mikaela Warner*

The study of literature allows developing new ideas and ethical standpoints and helps to present you as an educated member of society. Studying literature can be an enriching, eye-opening experience

### Philosophical Movements

- English literature allows us to understand the philosophical movements and ideas that permeated a particular culture at a particular time.

### Different Viewpoints

- English literature gives us a new way of thinking about the world. Mary Wollstonecraft, for instance, presents the idea that women should not be subservient to men, giving birth to modern feminist theory.

### Aesthetic Validation

- Literature is a form of art; it is capable of bringing about differing emotions and a general sense of spiritual well-being. Poets William Wordsworth and Percy Shelley write about this power of poetry in "Preface to the Lyrical Ballads" and "A Defense of Poetry," respectively.

### Understanding Modern Culture

- By following the histories presented throughout English literature, it is possible to understand how contemporary Western culture has developed into what it is today.

### Expanded Vocabulary

- Reading new words and new phrases can increase anyone's lexicon. Literature is also crucial to learning stylistic and artistic conventions for communication and writing.

### Becoming "Cultured"

- There is a certain satisfaction in understanding literature and being able to pinpoint references to it in contemporary culture. While it's not highly important, it is always fun to shock to others by making a clean sweep of the "English Authors" category in "Jeopardy."

### Theory of mind

The researchers believe that fiction requires readers to guess what might lie at the root of human behavior, requiring the reader to understand the nuance and complexity of human behavior.

### What sense does literature makes in the contemporary world?

In this rapidly globalizing world, the community of readers and writers has discovered a whole new concept of 'World Literature', which although originated in 1820s, has gained pretty good significance only in the contemporary times. This idea of 'world literature' unfolds and redefines every classic text in a fashion that touches human feelings and emotions which are common everywhere surpassing the barriers of race, religion, region or ethnicity etc. It dissolves the regional or the religious framework of the text and escalates what emotions and dilemmas, a character has subject to.

**Outline of important points and issues about literature:**

- Literature as entertainment and education; to delight and influence the audience
- Literature as rhetorical practice, relation to arts of persuasion
- Binding together of ideas with words and imagery appealing to the senses, as well as situations evoking an emotional response from the audience (pity, fear, sympathy, happiness, sadness, love, hate, etc.)
- Figurality of literary signification: symbol, metaphor, allegory; meaning beyond the literal
- Levels/layers of meaning: literal and figural or symbolic level of meaning
- The symbolic level has been sometimes subdivided into other levels--such as the moral, the allegorical, the anagogic--by authors and thinkers such as Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274) and Dante (1265-1321).
- English Literature can deepen the thoughts of students because it interprets simplifies and focuses our experiences which realize the real facts of life.
- English Literature can see the things in a concrete and vivid way.
- It inculcates a new way of thinking in the minds of technocrats about the world.
- Prose, poetry, drama, and fiction of the ancient times provide engineering students with the guiding principles of life.
- The study of English literature also helpful to inculcate the moral Values among these technocrats.
- It promotes ethical Sensitivity.
- It is a great source of inspiration.
- It is also helpful in improving Communicating Values
- It is a high source of generating valuable emotions to be necessary in technology development also.

The literature of today's world holds such great historical, intellectual, and social importance that these students can learn perseverance and strength that will help them to overcome adversity of life. As the famous George R.R martin once wrote, "a reader lives a thousand lives before he dies." It's extremely important for these technocrats to reach their instincts and follow their gut because sometimes they worst nightmare may be true, even if they are scared to face it So Self discovery of reading literature can take some time, but when they finally discover who they are, they'll become inexorable because Sometimes It may be complicated for these students to see the light at the end of the tunnel but if they keep going through literary books eventually they will find it. Thus, Literature is really beneficial for promoting the following senses in the mind of these technocrats.

**Conclusion**

Since, English literature appeals to our feelings and senses, it also enriches our emotional and social life. In many ways it can change one's outlook towards life. Life of brilliant writers, novelist, dramatists and poets, who have made a valuable contribution to society through their writing, are sketched in their biographies. These works give the readers an insight into the lives of these eminent people. Thus, literature is concrete and appeals to wake up our senses. The approach to adopt this art form for these students therefore is important in helping these

youngsters to think critically and logically to come to terms with their emotions, attitude and prejudices.

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