

1) Dr. M.L. Sonawane Professor and Head, Department of English giving lecture on the Famous poems of Robert Frost (25th June 2019)



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Staff Academy
Lecture on "Famous Poems of Robert Frost"
by Dr. M.L. Sonawane

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REPORT

The Staff Academy organised a lecture of Dr. M.L. Sonawane on the Famous poems of Robert Frost. He was welcomed by Dr. C.V Sirsat. In the beginning of his lecture Dr. M.L. Sonawane gave a brief history of American literature. He also shared few authors from America who became popular in the history of America. Earnest Hemingway, Robert Frost, Sylvia Plath, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Mark Twain, Emily Dickinson and Walt Whitman. Robert Frost is a well-known American author who was considered voice of America. He became famous not only in America but all over the world. The last lines of his poem Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening were found on the table of Jawaharlal Nehru, the First Prime Minister of India. The lines were:

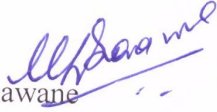
The woods are lovely dark and deep
but I Have promises to keep
and miles to go before I sleep
and miles to go before I sleep!

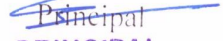
He also referred to another poem entitled The Road Not Taken, where the poet narrates a story of a traveller who came at a place where two roads divert. The protagonist gets confused over which road to be selected because the selection of the road would make all the difference. There would not be going back. So he decided to follow one road and that made all the difference.

His poem Mending Wall describes the contrasting views of the two neighbours. One neighbour thinks that the walls should be broken because he believes that all world is one nation so all the walls of caste creed and religion should be broken, destroyed to prevail the humanity. But the other neighbour who is conservative, orthodox who is stuck to his views thinks that good fences make good neighbours. He pointed out that the poems of Robert Frost appear simple and straight forward but this simplicity is deceptive. His poem has two meanings one is straightforward meaning and underneath meaning. The underneath meaning is more important than the straightforward meaning of the poem. His poem Departmental apparently talks about the simple straight forward life of ants. Even though the ants are the tiniest animal but they lead very systematic life. In the poem he tells the systematic life of ants. There are worker ants whose work is to hatch the eggs, soldier ants have the work of protecting their hive. Queen ant is the boss and she has the right to lay eggs. Apparently, it appears that the poet is talking about the ants and their systematic life. But he is not interested in depicting the life ants and their systematic life but he is more interested in beneath the meaning or symbolic

meaning of the poem. The poem itself is a criticism on the departmental organization of modern man. Because of departmentalization modern man has become void of human values. Dr. Sonawane pointed out that Robert Frost became very popular due to his simplicity and straightforwardness. In his poems the subjectivity becomes the objectivity and personal experiences become impersonal. The experience of the writer does not remain the experience of the writer but the personal experience becomes universal. The lecture was well attended by the faculty members. The oration ended with a vote of thanks by Dr. Bhimrao Jadhav.

Dr. M.L. Sonawane




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