

Introduction to Francis Bacon

- Bacon's was born on January 22, 1561.
- Bacon was a philosopher, scientist and a politician as well.
- The year 1574 marked Bacon's first publication.
- with collection of essays about politics.
- Later expanded and republished in 1612 and 1625.

- Bacon is also widely regarded as a major figure in scientific methodology.
- also in natural philosophy during English renaissance.
- He was a man of practical wisdom with compact and condensed thoughts.
- He had wisdom and Wit in his writing.

Bacon's writing style

- Bacon's writing style was aphoristic, direct and brief
- His style had common features to Elizabethan and Jacobean era.
- i.e. highly usage of metaphors, common to Elizabethan.
- Also effects exuberance of renaissance.
- Bacon's style was simple and full of imagery and analogy.

- Bacon was master of rhetoric and his strength lied in conciseness.
- His themes included truth,atheism,love,and ordinary subjects
- i.e. marriage and single life, friendship etc.
- Bacon's style was compact yet polished due to usage of Latin idiom and phrases.

With reference to essays

- All his four essays were concise except friendship and well polished using a number of references.
- Such as the starting lines of the essay “THE TRUTH”.
- Also quotes Lucretius who says “realization is the greatest pleasure”.
- Bacon comes up with such dignified themes such as his essays like truth, friendship, youth and age.

- At the end of bacon's essays we'll always find some morality.
- In all his essays bacon's tone is didactic.
- His style is lucid and his examples are rich.
- Bacon has a solid reference to Greeks, Romans ,other subjects and various philosophers that demonstrates his knowledge in every field of life.

- Bacon used many references from history in his essays, such as Brutus and Caesar in his essay “friendship”.
- Beautifully comes up with a comparison between two things .
- Also come up with lots of imagery in his essays such as drawing an imagery of pomegranate and its kernels
- And comparing it to friendship.
- Hence in all his essays we’ll find a moral and motivation with a strong theme that resembles the