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M.A. (Final) Examination, 2022

ENGLISH

(American Literature)

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Minimum Passing Marks : 36

Note : Attempt all questions as directed. Marks are indicated against each question.

1. Explain with reference to the context **any four** of the following : [4x5=20]

(i) O how shall I warble myself for the dead one there I loved?
And how shall I deck my song for the large sweet soul that has gone?
And what shall my perfume be, for the grave of him I love?

(ii) I felt a Funeral, in my Brain,
And Mourners to and fro
Kept treading-treading-till it seemed
That Sense was breaking through-

(iii) He is all pine and I am apple orchard.
My apple trees will never get across
And eat the cones under his pines, I tell him.
He only says, 'Good fences make good neighbors.'

(iv) 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.

(v) Its principal feature seemed to be that of an excessive antiquity. The discoloration of ages had been great. Minute fungi overspread the whole exterior, hanging in a fine tangled web work from the eaves. Yet all this was apart from any extraordinary dilapidation.

(vi) In this distribution of functions the scholar is the delegate intellect. In the right state he is Man

Thinking. In the degenerate state, when the victim of society, he tends to become a mere thinker, or still worse, the parrot of other man's thinking.

SECTION-A

Note : Attempt **any three** questions from this Section.:[3x16=48]

2. Write a critical appreciation of Walt Whitman's "When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd".

OR

Write an essay on the distinctive qualities of Emily Dickinson's poetry.

3. Give a critical appreciation of "Stopping by Woods".

OR

Critically examine Frost as a poet.

4. How Edgar Allan Poe use the supernatural in his stories? Illustrate.

OR

Write a critique of O'Henry's "After Twenty Years".

5. Write plot analysis of "Death of a Salesman".

OR

Write a note on the tragic flaw in the life of Willy Loman.

6. Write a note on Thoreau's thoughts on justice and public activism with reference to "Civil Disobedience".

OR

The American Scholar is America's intellectual declaration of independence. "It is the manifesto of literary independence of America." Elucidate.

SECTION-B

Note : Attempt **any two** questions from this section.[2x16=32]

7. Critically examine Henry James' "The Portrait of a Lady".

8. Evaluate "The Glass Menagerie" as an expressionist play.

9. Write a critique of Robert Frost's "The Figure a Poem Makes".

10. Write a note on Santiago's heroism.

11. Evaluate Babbit as a humanist.

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