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POST-GRADUATE COURSE
Term End Examination — June, 2022/December, 2022
ENGLISH
Paper-VI : AMERICAN LITERATURE

Time : 4 hours]

[Full Marks : 100

Weightage of Marks : 80%

Special credit will be given for accuracy and relevance in the answer. Marks will be deducted for incorrect spelling, untidy work and illegible handwriting. The weightage for each question has been indicated in the margin.

SECTION – A

Answer any *two* of the following : 20 × 2 = 40

1. Trace the gradual change from Puritan ethics to an Enlightenment ethos as seen the works of the leading writers of eighteenth century America.
2. Why would you call *Moby Dick* a modern novel ? Discuss.
3. Is "Howl" a representative Beat poem ? Discuss with reference to Parts I, II and III.
4. Do you think *Death of a Salesman* is a tragedy ?

SECTION – B

Answer any *three* of the following questions : 14 × 3 = 42

5. Write a brief essay on the poetry of the Puritan period in America.
6. Comment on Toni Morrison's treatment of women in *Sula*.
7. Analyse the themes in Flannery O'Connor's "Good Country People".
8. Critically examine the sensuous, and musical aspects of "After Apple Picking".

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9. Discuss Emerson's ideas about the nature and function of the poet in his essay "The Poet".
10. Critically analyse the treatment of Greek myth in *Mourning Becomes Electra*.

SECTION - C

Answer any *two* of the following questions :

9 × 2 = 18

11. Critically comment on the title of poem "The Emperor of Ice-cream".
12. Write a note on the character of Santiago in *The Old Man and The Sea*.
13. Discuss the significance of the "Requiem" scene in *Death of a Salesman*.
14. Write a short note on any one of the following :
 - (i) Yoknapatawpha
 - (ii) Role of Lavinia
 - (iii) The Federalist Papers.

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