

AU-2178

M.A. (Part—II) Examination

ENGLISH

(A) American Literature

Paper—III

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

N.B. : – ALL questions are compulsory.

1. Write short notes on any **two** of the following in about **200** words each : 16
 - (a) American Drama
 - (b) The Dial
 - (c) Emily Dickinson
 - (d) Muckrakers.
2. (A) Explain with reference to the context any four of the following passages : 16
 - (i) De Sun was warm, dey wa'nt no clouds, and dere was a breeze blowin'. Sure it was great stuff.
 - (ii) "It became an obsession. Like some archetype of the universal unconscious, the image of the gentleman caller haunted our small apartment...."
 - (iii) I am not an earth nor an adjunct of an earth.
I am the mate, and companion of people,
all just as immortal and fathomless as myself,
 - (iv) The woodchuck could say whether it's like his
Long sleep, as I describe its coming on,
Or just some human sleep.

(v) She dreams a little, and she feels the dark

Encroachment of that old catastrophe,

As a calm darkens among water-lights.

(vi) "History.... will lose its glorious variety and unpredictability... the surprise, the multiplexity, the changing rhythm."

(B) Choose the correct option from those given below each question. Write full sentences. 8

(i) Who talks about Marxist ideas ?

(a) Paddy

(b) Yank

(c) Long

(d) Isabelle

(ii) In High School Jim had nicknamed Laura as _____.

(a) Missy

(b) Blue Roses

(c) Red Light

(d) Bobby

(iii) In song No. 4, Whitman says that he is surrounded by _____.

(a) Cats and dogs

(b) Cars and bikes

(c) Men and Women

(d) Trippers and Askers

(iv) The poet in 'Mending Wall' says that his neighbour is all _____.

(a) Pine

(b) Grapes

(c) Apple

(d) Thorns

(v) Ezra Pound's first poetry book is called _____.

(a) The Cantos

(b) Lyrical Ballads

(c) Men and Women

(d) A Lume Spento

(vi) Thoreau, in his writings, tries to illustrate the _____ of simple living.

- (a) Benefits (b) Challenges
- (c) Dangers (d) Disadvantages

(vii) 'Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf' portrays that a happy stable home, family and job were considered _____.

- (a) A European Ideal (b) Southern Values
- (c) An American Dream (d) The end of life

(viii) Complete the line, 'Friends make pretence of following to the _____.'

- (a) Garden (b) Church
- (c) Funeral (d) Grave

3. "The Hairy Ape attempts to infuse terror and fear in to the audience." Elaborate. 15

OR

Write a detailed note on the themes taken up by Robert Frost in his poetry.

4. Analyse, how Thoreau expands his ideas in 'On Economy' to a philosophy of life. 15

OR

Consider Ezra Pound as a modern poet.

5. Compare and contrast the characters of Benjy and Jason. 15

OR

Examine Ntozake Shange's style in 'For Coloured Girls'.

6. Write a detailed note on the tragic ending of love between Henry and Catherine. 15

OR

Discuss O'Henry as an interesting story writer. Substantiate your answer with suitable examples from the text.

