

MAEG-10
December - Examination 2015
MA (Final) English Examination
American Literature
Paper - MAEG-10

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks :- 80

Note: The question paper is divided into three sections A, B and C.

Section - A

8 x 2 = 16

Note: Answer all the 8 (eight) Very Short Answer Type Questions (one word, one sentence and definitional type item) having weightage of 16 (sixteen) marks. Each question carries 2 (two) marks and maximum word limit is 30 (thirty).

- 1) (i) Which American poet is regarded as the Poet Prophet of Democracy?
- (ii) 'Success is counted sweetest
- (iii) 'Good fences make good neighbour' From which poem has this line been taken. Also name the poet.
- (iv) Which is the most ambiguous character in the novel 'The Scarlet Letter'?

- (v) Who introduces Catherine to Henry in the novel 'A Farewell to Arms'?
- (vi) What is the Mississippi River symbol of for Huck and Jim in 'The Adventures of Hurckleberry Finn'?
- (vii) Name the novel and the author that depicts the tragic life of a young black girl who wants nothing more than to be loved by her family and her schoolmates.
- (viii) 'I don't say he is a great man But he's a human being, and a terrible thing to happening to him He is not to be allowed to fall into his grave like a dog.' Who is talking to whom and about whom in this dialogue from the play 'Death of a salesman'?

Section - B

4 x 8 = 32

Note: This section contains 8 (eight) Short Answer Type Questions. Answer any 4 (four) questions. Each question carries 8 (eight) marks. The weightage of this section is 32 (thirty two) marks. Delimit each answer in maximum 200 words.

- 2) Discuss the salient features of Engene O' Neill's and Tennessee William's dramas.
- 3) Write a note on Expressionism in 'The Emperor Jones'.
- 4) What is the distinction that Emerson makes between two kinds of philosophers, poets and teachers?
- 5) Discuss the part played by alcohol and vitamins in the short story by Raymond Carver.
- 6) Discuss 'When Lilacs Last in the Doory and Bloomed' as an elegy.

- 7) What elements of mysticism do you find in Emily Dickinson's poetry?
- 8) The attitudes of the poet and the tramps are contrasted in 'Two Tramps in Mud Time'. Discuss.
- 9) Discuss 'The Scarlet Letter' in the light of Hester's moral guilt.

Section - C

2 x 16 = 32

Note: This section contains 4 (four) Long Answer Type Questions. Each question carries 16 (sixteen) marks. Answer any 2 (two) questions. The weightage of this section is 32 (thirty two) marks. Delimit each answer in maximum 500 (five hundred) words.

- 10) Discuss the fusion of the theme of love and war in 'A farewell of Arms'.
- 11) Discuss the place of morality in 'Huckleberry Finn'.
- 12) Write an essay on Pecola Breedlove of 'The Bluest Eye' as a traumatized child.
- 13) Does Miller succeed in presenting Willy Loman as modern everyman? Discuss.
