

IV Semester M.A. Degree (Reg./Sup./Imp.) Examination, March 2016 ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (2013 and Earlier Adm.) Paper – 13: American Literature

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

I. Annotate four of the following without omitting either Section:

SECTION-A

- I cannot rub the strangeness from my sight
 I got from looking through a pane of glass
 I skimmed this morning from the drinking trough
 And held against the world of hoary grass.
- It is lagging-O I think it is heavy with love, with love
 O madly the sea pushes upon the land,
 With love, with love.
- 3) You do not do, you do not do
 Any more, black shoe
 In which I have lived like a foot
 For thirty years, poor and white,
 Barely daring to breathe or Achoo.
- Let the wenches dawdle in such dress
 As they are used to wear, and let the boys
 Bring flowers in last month's newspapers.
- Buffalo Bill's defunct who used to ride a watersmooth-silver stallion
- 6) We paused before a house that seemed A swelling of the ground; The roof was scarcely visible, The cornice but a mound.



SECTION-B

- 7) Keep yo' hands whas dey b'long, white man,
- 8) We must not allow our creative protest to degenerate into physical violence. Again and again we must rise to the majestic heights of meeting physical force with soul force. (4x5 = 20)
- II. Attempt two essays choosing one from each Section.

SECTION - A

- 9) Treatment of death in the poems of Emily Dickinson.
- 10) Comment on the element of mysticism in Out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking.
- 11) Consider Robert Frost as a modern American poet.

SECTION-B

- 12) Bring out the metaphysical overtones in Moby Dick.
- 13) Treatment of realism and expressionism in The Emperor Jones.
- 14) The Old Man and the Sea suggests much more than what is says. Its beauty lies in its suggestions. Discuss. (2x20 = 40)
- III. Write short notes on any four of the following:
 - 15) Expressionism
 - 16) Ending of Huckleberry Finn
 - 17) Character of Willy Loman
 - 18) Symbols in Moby Dick
 - 19) Emerson's concept of society
 - 20) Imagery in Birches
 - 21) Significance of the poem Tulips
 - 22) Idea of death in out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking.

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