

Ba/Eng (H)-605

2017

(6th Semester)

ENGLISH

(Honours)

Paper No. : Eng (H)-605

(Literary Theory)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

1. (a) Highlight the main features of the Modern Age.

Or

- (b) Discuss how the Modern Age was a reaction against Victorian culture and aesthetics with examples of the literary works of the Age.

2. (a) Critically analyze the shift from modernism to post-modernism.

Or

- (b) Discuss the features of post-modernism citing texts to support your answer.

3. (a) What is structuralism? Enumerate its features.

Or

- (b) Who were the main proponents of structuralism? Elaborate on their theories.

4. (a) Examine the theory of post-structuralism.

Or

- (b) Trace the development of post-structuralism and its thinkers.

5. (a) Discuss the nature of impact deconstruction created in literature.

Or

- (b) Present your views on the merits and demerits of deconstruction.

Ba/Eng (H)-606 (A)

2017

(6th Semester)

ENGLISH

(Honours)

Paper No. : Eng (H)-606 (a)

[American Literature (Fiction and Drama)]

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

1. Write an essay on the development of American Fiction till the 1950s and mention commonly addressed themes.
2. (a) "The popular culture of the 1940s imprinted the notion of white supremacy among the Americans." Elaborate with reference to Toni Morrison's *The Bluest Eye*.

Or

- (b) Examine Toni Morrison's *The Bluest Eye* as a critique of the American Midwest of the 1940s.

3. (a) Discuss Hemingway's *A Farewell to Arms* as an anti-war novel.

Or

- (b) In more ways than one, Hemingway's *A Farewell to Arms* is realistic. Justify.

4. (a) In Miller's *Death of a Salesman*, the characters are lost in a battle between reality and illusion. Elaborate.

Or

- (b) The characterization in Miller's *Death of a Salesman* is marred by the androcentric bias of a male writer. Justify.

5. (a) Assess O'Neill's *The Hairy Ape* as a play about individuals trying to break free from their class boundaries.

Or

- (b) O'Neill's *The Hairy Ape* highlights the problems of the industrial world. Examine.

Ba/El Eng-601 (A)

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(6th Semester)

ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Paper No. : EL ENG-601 (a)

**[American Literature (Poetry, Prose
and Language Skills)]**

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 54)

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. What is an elegy? Describe *When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd* as a pastoral elegy. 10

Or

When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd is a public poem of private mourning. Discuss. 10

2. Emily Dickinson's poetry, 'reflects her life which she lived in extreme individuality'. Give a reasoned answer. 10

Or

Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem,
I heard a Fly buzz—when I died.

10

3. In *Birches*, Frost uses realistic images. Discuss.

10

Or

Bring out the central idea of the poem,
The Road Not Taken.

10

4. Explain how Emerson in *Nature* tries to 'show the meaning of Nature to the minds of men'.

10

Or

"If the identity expresses organized rest, the counteraction runs into organization." Explain.

10

5. Write a note on some of the main features of Emily Dickinson's poetry.

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Or

Write an essay on Emerson's Transcendentalism.

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Ba/El Eng-601 (A)

2017

(6th Semester)

ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Paper No. : EL ENG-601 (a)

**[American Literature (Poetry, Prose and
Language Skills)]**

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 16)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer the following questions :

2×8=16

- (a) Describe the various individuals at their tasks
that Whitman sings of in *I Hear America Singing*.**

(2)

What do the words 'Trinity' and 'Fallen Star' stand for in the poem, *When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd*?

(3)

(c) How is death personified in *Because I could not stop for Death*?

- (d) What does the phrase 'there interposed a fly' refer to in *I heard a Fly buzz—when I died*?

- (e) "Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,"
What does the speaker refer to by the above lines in the poem, *The Road Not Taken*?

(6)

(f) "Earth is the right place for love."

Express the idea after Frost in above line.

(7)

(g) "There is great difference between landscape and landscape is small, but there is a great difference in the beholder." Explain.

- (h) Why, according to Emerson, Frivolity is an unsuitable tribute to Pan?