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(6th Semester)

ENGLISH

(Honours)

Paper : Eng (H)-605

(Literary Theory)

Full Marks : 70
Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

1. (a) What are the major movements that influenced modernism in literature?

Or

- (b) In what ways did modernism challenge tradition? Explain with reference to the literary trends of the time.

2. (a) What are the chief characteristics of post-modern literature?

Or

- (b) In what ways is post-modernism different from modernism?

3. (a) What are the basic principles of structuralism?

Or

- (b) What are the theoretical groundings of structuralism?

4. (a) How would you explain a post-structuralist approach to literature?

Or

- (b) Who are the major proponents of post-structuralist thought? Explain some of their works.

5. (a) Discuss deconstruction as an approach to literary analysis.

Or

- (b) Discuss the relationship between deconstruction and meaning making.

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ENGLISH

(Honours)

Paper : 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. (a) Write an essay on naturalism and realism in the modern American novel.

Or

- (b) Briefly trace the development of American drama.

2. (a) *The Bluest Eye* is the story of a black girl who wants blue eyes as a symbol of beauty and therefore of goodness and happiness. Discuss.

Or

- (b) Discuss the theme of Race and Racism in *The Bluest Eye*.

3. (a) Evaluate the theme of Love and War in *A Farewell to Arms*.

Or

- (b) Explain the significance of the title, *A Farewell to Arms*.

4. (a) Discuss *The Hairy Ape* as an expressionistic play.

Or

- (b) Comment on the main themes in *The Hairy Ape*.

5. (a) How is the American dream portrayed in *Death of a Salesman*?

Or

- (b) Is Willy Loman a tragic hero in *Death of a Salesman*? Substantiate your answer.

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ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Paper : El Eng-601 (a)

(**American Literature**)

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 16)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer the following questions :

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1. What do 'Lilacs' and 'The Western Star' symbolize in the poem, *When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd*?
2. How is the idea of patriotism depicted in *I Hear America Singing*?
3. What does the speaker pass by during her carriage-ride with Death?
4. In *I heard a Fly buzz—when I died*, who is 'The King' referred to?

(2)

5. "Two roads diverged in a wood, and
I took the one less travelled by
And that has made all the difference"

Explain the idea expressed in the above lines.

6. What causes the Birch trees to bend down in Frost's *Birches*?
7. Who according to Emerson can reach the height of magnificence in *Nature*?
8. Comment on the phrase, 'beauty breaks in everywhere'.