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M.A. (Final) Examination, 2016

# ENGLISH LITERATURE

Paper – III-A

(American Literature)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

PART-A [Marks: 20]

Answer all questions (50 words each).
All questions carry equal marks.

PART-B [Marks: 50]

Answer five questions in all (250 words each). Select one question from each unit. All questions carry equal marks.

PART-C [Marks: 30]

Answer any two questions (300 words each).

All questions carry equal marks.

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# PART-A

1. Answer the following questions in not more than 50 words each.

### UNIT-I

- (i) What does Emerson mean by 'the sere remains of Western Harvest'?
- (ii) What according to Miller evokes the tragic feeling in a tragedy?

# UNIT-II

- (iii) What does the "silver bullet" signify in Emperor Jones?
- (iv) Describe the significance of the title Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf.

### UNIT-III

- (v) What is the central idea of the poem "Sunday Morning"?
- (vi) Which road does frost choose, since he could not travel both in "The Road Not Taken"?

# UNIT-IV

- (vii) Who do you think is the most sympathetic character in the novel *The Bluest Eye* and why?
- (viii) What decision does Huck take at the end of the novel and Why?

#### **UNIT-V**

- (ix) Do you think 'Winter Dreams' is an apt title of Scott Fitzgerald's story?
- (x) What is Harry's profession in "Snow of Killimanjaro".

# PART-B

**Note:** Answer the following questions in 250 words, *one* from each unit.

#### UNIT-I

- 2. What kind of life does Thorean suggest for those who are not governed by mechanical aids?
- 3. Comment upon Miller's ideas in Tragedy and the Common Man.

#### UNIT-II

- 4. Discuss the artistic devices employed by O'Neil to present his theme in *Emperor Jones*.
- 5. Explain the significance of the title Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf.

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#### UNIT-III

- Does "Crossing Brooklyn Ferry" suggest the process of change in American Society. Ellucidate.
- 7. Write a critical Appreciation of Emily Dickinson's poem "There's a Certain Slant of Light".

#### UNIT-IV

- 8. What kind of relationship develops between Huck Finn and Jim in "The Adventures of Huckulberry Finn"?
- 9. Is Toni Morrison destroying the white Myths in *The Bluest Eye*? How?

#### UNIT-V

- 10. Comment on the title "The Fall of the House of Usher".
- 11. David's life in the "The Pigeon Feathers" is a story of questioning sympathy and faith. Discuss.

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#### PART-C

#### UNIT-I

12. How does religion, pagan and Christianity function in the play Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf.

#### UNIT-II

13. What according to Emerson is the significance of books in the growth of a scholar's mind.

#### UNIT-III

14. Discuss the relationship between Harry and the lady in "Snows of Kilimanjaro".

#### **UNIT-IV**

15. Explain in detail the gloom that afflicted usher also bringing out the uniqueness of plot and narration of the story.

#### UNIT-V

16. "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn holds a special position in English Literature." Ellucidate the statement bringing out the significance of the river Mississipi in it.

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