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ECT-3 Non-British Literature : American Literature

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Time : 2½ Hours]

[Total Marks : 70

1 Write a critical essay on any one of the following in about 14 1000 words.

- (1) Thoreau's experiments in self-sufficiency in Walden.
- (2) Hemingway's philosophy of life in Old Man and the Sea.
- (3) Willie Loman's portrayal by Miller.

2 (A) Write on any one of the following in about 500 words 10

- (a) Arthur Miller's portrayal of the contemporary society.
- (b) Whitman's attitude to nature.

(B) Write on any one of the following in about 500 words 10

- (a) Sylvia Plath as a poet with reference to the poems prescribed.
- (b) Robert Frost as a poet with reference to the poems prescribed.

- 3 (A) Write brief answers in about 50 words on any Two of the following. **10**
- (1) Thoreau's experiments with domestic economy.
 - (2) Thoreau's sense of Indian past.
 - (3) Hemingway's depiction of human struggle.
 - (4) Hemingway's literary style.
- (B) Write brief answers in about 50 words on any Two of the following. **10**
- (1) Miller's dialogues.
 - (2) Miller's dramatic style with reference to Death of a Salesman.
 - (3) 'The emperor of ice-cream' in the poem of Wallace Stevens.
 - (4) Two roads in Frost's 'The Road Not Taken'.
- 4 Answer the following questions in one or two sentences **6**
- (1) When did Thoreau publish his Walden? What was the second title of it?
 - (2) When did Hemingway die and how?
 - (3) Why is Loman brought to his disaster?
 - (4) What are the major themes of the poem "The Emperor of Ice Cream"?
 - (5) What does the harvest of apple mean in Frost's 'After Apple Picking'?
 - (6) How many stanzas are there in Plath's poem 'Daddy'? How many lines are there in each stanza?

5 Attempt any Ten MCQs from the following.

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- (1) Who has written the famous essay on "Civil Disobedience"?
 - (a) Hemingway.
 - (b) Henry Thoreau.
 - (c) Abraham Lincoln.
 - (d) Stevenson.
- (2) Walden depicts Thoreau's experiences in self-sufficiency for _____ years.
 - (a) 02.
 - (b) 03.
 - (c) 04.
 - (d) 05.
- (3) In which year was Hemingway given the Noble Prize?
 - (a) 1952.
 - (b) 1953.
 - (c) 1954.
 - (d) 1955.
- (4) Which of the following is not a work written by Hemingway?
 - (a) A Farewell to Arms.
 - (b) Men without Women.
 - (c) For Whom the Bell Tolls.
 - (d) Death in the Night.
- (5) Which was the first play written by Arthur Miller?
 - (a) Death of a Salesman.
 - (b) All my Sons
 - (c) The Crucible.
 - (d) After the Fall.
- (6) Plath's 'Lady Lazarus' is based on
 - (a) her early two attempts at suicide.
 - (b) her marriage .
 - (c) her ideology.
 - (d) her childhood memories.

- (7) The powerful imagery in 'Lady Lazarus' and 'Daddy' are drawn from
- (a) World War I
 - (b) French Revolution
 - (c) the 'holocaust'.
 - (d) The Bolshevik Revolution.
- (8) Robert Frost's 'The Road Not Taken' is from the collection entitled.
- (a) A Witness Tree.
 - (b) Mountain Interval.
 - (c) New Hampshire.
 - (d) Collected Poems.
- (9) Wallace Stevens uses 'ice cream' as a symbol of
- (a) softness.
 - (b) coolness.
 - (c) Transience .
 - (d) sweetness
- (10) 'Long sleep' in the poem 'After Apple Picking' is contrasted with
- (a) winter sleep.
 - (b) pleasant sleep.
 - (c) final sleep.
 - (d) human sleep.
- (11) Plath puts herself as a _____ in the poem 'Daddy'.
- (a) Daughter.
 - (b) Woman.
 - (c) Victim.
 - (d) an exploiter.
- (12) How many stanzas are there in the poem 'Sunday Morning' by Wallace Stevens?
- (a) 8
 - (b) 7
 - (c) 6
 - (d) 5