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**M.A. (THIRD SEMESTER)
EXAMINATION, Dec. - Jan., 2021-22
(ENGLISH)
PAPER THIRD
(AMERICAN LITERATURE - I)**

*Time : Three Hours]**[Maximum Marks : 80***Note : Attempt all sections as directed.****Section - A****(1 mark each)****(Objective/Multiple Choice Questions)****Note: Attempt all questions.**

Choose the correct answer:

1. The Americans the speaker refers to in the poem "I hear America Singing are-
 - (A) Ordinary working people
 - (B) Wounded soldiers
 - (C) Great figures in the U.S. history
 - (D) Doctors and nurses

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2. What is the overall tone of "I hear America singing"?
 - (A) Joyous
 - (B) Dismal
 - (C) Sarcastic
 - (D) Eerie
3. Which repeated word serves to unify "I hear America singing"?
 - (A) Carols
 - (B) Worker
 - (C) Strong
 - (D) Singing
4. Which American writer was a great influence on Whitman?
 - (A) Henry David Thoreau
 - (B) Nathaniel Hawthorne
 - (C) James Fenimore Cooper
 - (D) Ralph Waldo Emerson
5. What figurative devices, Robert Frost uses in 'Birches'.
 - (A) Hyperbole, simile, imagery and irony
 - (B) Idiom, metaphor, allusion and alliteration
 - (C) Simile, metaphor, imagery and alliteration
 - (D) Irony, allusion, metaphor and alliteration

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6. What was the title of the first poem that Frost published professionally?
- (A) Two Roads
 - (B) Fire and Ice
 - (C) My butterfly : An Elegy
 - (D) Stopping by the woods
7. What is the difference between the two roads in 'The Road not Taken'?
- (A) One road is bit wider
 - (B) One road has a better view
 - (C) One road is slightly less travelled
 - (D) None of these
8. In 'The soul selects her own Society' the poet uses the phrase, 'shuts the door', which of the following most accurately explains this phrase?
- (A) The soul closes the door after people leave her.
 - (B) The soul physically shuts the door.
 - (C) The soul shuts the door to all others after choosing what she wants.
 - (D) The soul is reclusive

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9. Where did Thoreau write 'civil disobedience'.
- (A) Massachusetts
 - (B) Georgia
 - (C) England
 - (D) New York
10. What does Thoreau use as a metaphor for government?
- (A) A ship
 - (B) A machine
 - (C) A train
 - (D) A Lighthouse
11. In his essay, 'Self-Reliance' Emerson likens self-esteem with what?
- (A) The Ego
 - (B) Nature
 - (C) A psalm
 - (D) A child
12. In 'Self Reliance', Emerson talks about how individuals should not conform to what?
- (A) Societal Norms
 - (B) The church's morals
 - (C) The ego
 - (D) Their intuition

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13. Where does 'The glass Menagerie' take place?
- (A) Cleveland
 - (B) New York city
 - (C) Mississippi
 - (D) St. Louis
14. The Glass Menagerie is a 'memory play.' From which character's memory is it drawn?
- (A) Tom's
 - (B) Lawa's
 - (C) Amanda's
 - (D) Mr. Wingfield's
15. What was the original title of the play 'The Emperor Jones'?
- (A) The Indies
 - (B) The silver Bullet
 - (C) The Emperor Brutus
 - (D) The escape
16. How long after arriving on the island did it take Jones to become emperor?
- (A) 2 years
 - (B) 3 years
 - (C) 7 months
 - (D) 1 year

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17. Plath's poetry is considered part of which movement?
- (A) Realism
 - (B) Confessional poetry
 - (C) Romanticism
 - (D) Modernism
18. Sylvia plath compares 'Daddy' to-
- (A) A Nazi
 - (B) Hitler
 - (C) Vampire
 - (D) All of the above
19. The poem 'Lady Lazarus' is known as one of the author's-
- (A) Holocaust poems
 - (B) Holocaust songs
 - (C) Daddy's poems
 - (D) Daddy's musings
20. The central idea of the poem 'Lady Lazarus' is-
- (A) Oppression
 - (B) Revenge
 - (C) Love
 - (D) Authority

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Section - B

(2 marks each)

(Very Short Answer Type Questions)

Note- Attempt all questions in maximum 2 - 3 lines.

1. What makes expressionism unique?
2. How did Renaissance come to England?
3. What are the characteristics of puritanism in literature?
4. How did Romanticism affect America?
5. With reference to 'Self-Reliance', what are the four things Emerson says everyone learns eventually?
6. Is Sylvia Plath's 'Daddy' full of disturbing imagery?
7. What does the poet love thinking, about birch tree in the poem 'Birches'?
8. In the poem 'When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd', what does Lilac symbolise?

Section - C

(3 marks each)

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Note- Attempt all questions. Word limit 75 words.

1. What is the main idea of 'Democracy in America'?
2. In what ways does the play 'Emperor Jones' straddle the line between realism and expressionism?

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3. Which of the symbols in 'The Glass Menagerie' represent reality and which represent illusion?
4. In the poem 'The Road Not Taken', what does the poet mean when he says, "worn them really about the same"?
5. What is the interplay between life, and death in the poem 'Lady Lazarus'?
6. What are the tones and attitudes in Sylvia Plath's 'Daddy'?
7. How does Emerson define 'Genius' in his essay 'Self-Reliance'?
8. What was Thoreau's views on slavery with reference to 'Civil Disobedience'?

Section - D

(4 marks each)

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Note : Attempt all questions. Word limit 150 words.

1. Is Thoreau's conception of civil disobedience compatible with democratic government? Why or why not?

OR

Describe Emerson's conception of God, Nature and their relationship to one another with reference to his essay 'Self-Reliance'.

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2. In the play 'The Glass Menagerie' write an essay depicting Amanda's strengths and weakness. Is she an admirable person or merely a silly, frustrated woman.

OR

In O' Neill's 'The Emperor Jones', discuss in detail the hallucinations that Jones encounters in the forest.

3. Discuss the life and times of Sylvia Plath?

OR

Critically examine Emily Dickinson's 'Bring Me the Sunset in a Cup'

4. In Frost's 'The Road Not Taken', why does the poet say he shall tell people 'this with a sigh'? why do you think the final stanza starts with a sigh?

OR

How does 'I hear America Singing' represent a transcendental viewpoint as opposed to one based on literary realism.

5. Give a detailed overview of expressionism as a literary movement.

OR

Discuss English Renaissance as a cultural and artistic movement in England.