

U.G. 3rd Semester Examination - 2023**ENGLISH****[HONOURS]****Course Code : ENGH-CC-T-5****Full Marks : 60****Time : 2½ Hours***The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.***Answer all the questions.****1. Answer any ten of the following questions: 2×10=20.**

- a) In "The Purloined Letter," what psychological tactic does Dupin employ to outsmart the Minister D— and retrieve the stolen letter?
- b) How does Poe create suspense through the use of language and pacing? Cite one example.
- c) How does the weather serve as a symbolic element in the story 'Dry September'?
- d) Briefly discuss the significance of the barber's perspective on the events in 'Dry September'.
- e) Who is the primary audience of Bradstreet's 'The Prologue'?

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- f) Briefly, describe the tone of 'The Prologue'.
- g) "The New byits mighty railroad"—What is the connotation of the "The New"?
- h) Mention recurring theme is prevalent in Whitman's poem in your syllabus.
- i) "Denying her wounds"—Who is she? What are her wounds?
- j) Briefly summarize the main conflict in 'An Eastern Ballad'.
- k) How does the structure of 'An Eastern Ballad' contribute to the unfolding of the narrative in a few words?
- l) In the Gettysburg Address, how does Lincoln employ the concept of a 'new birth of freedom' to encapsulate both historical significance and future aspirations in just a few words?
- m) State the significance of the three-part structure in Lincoln's address and its rhetorical impact.
- n) How does King employ historical references to strengthen his argument in just a few words?
- o) Is King aspiring for a colour blind society?

2. Answer any **four** of the following questions:

5×4=20

- a) How does Poe use the concept of the "double-edged sword" as a metaphor to highlight the complexities of intellect and secrecy in the characters of Dupin and the Minister D—?
- b) How does Faulkner skilfully manipulate the perception of truth through the lens of rumours in 'Dry September,' to provoke a deeper examination of the characters 'motivations'?
- c) How does Rich's use of poetic devices in 'Power' serve as a nuanced exploration of both personal and political dynamics?
- d) Analyse the paradoxical elements within Bradstreet's self-deprecating tone.
- e) Write a short note on the historical context of "The Gettysburg Address."
- f) Examine how King's 'I Have a Dream' can be read as a comment on the American dream.

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions:

10×2=20

- a) i) Discuss the balance between reality and illusion in *The Glass Menagerie*.

OR

- ii) Analyse the use of music and visual elements in *The Glass Menagerie*.
- b) i) Delve into Toni Morrison's use of imagery in '*Beloved*'.

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- ii) Discuss how *Beloved* represents the relationship between 'home' and the community.
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