

SIXTH SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH 2022

English

ENG 6B 02—LITERATURES IN ENGLISH—AMERICAN AND POST COLONIAL

(2014—2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following bunches of questions :

1 What is Snopes accused of ?

- (a) Arson. (b) Larceny.
(c) Murder. (d) Perjury.

2 The tone of "I Hear America Singing" can be best described as :

- (a) Somber. (b) Hopeful.
(c) Lively. (d) Inspirational.

3 Roderick Usher, the narrator discovers, is all of the following except :

- (a) Exceedingly nervous and gloomy.
(b) Hypersensitive and superstitious.
(c) Broken in spirit and deranged.
(d) Bedridden.

4 Where did Biff get the football ?

- (a) Biff had stolen it from school.
(b) Biff had received it as a gift from his mother.
(c) He borrowed it from Happy
(d) He had stolen it from a kid down the street

5 Who watched the death scene in the poem 'Edge' ?

- (a) Moon. (b) Children.
(c) Husband. (d) Neighbours.

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- 6 Margret uses photograph to explore :
- (a) Identity. (b) Colonization.
(c) Sexuality. (d) Wisdom.
- 7 Who is the historical figure mentioned in Kamau Brathwaite's poem 'The Emigrants' ?
- (a) Columbus. (b) Gandhi.
(c) James Baldwin. (d) Martin Luther King.
- 8 The black of Africa breaks under the weight of :
- (a) Humiliation. (b) Colonization.
(c) Imagination. (d) Imperialism.
- 9 Who is Om Prakash's wife ?
- (a) Anitha. (b) Jaya.
(c) Ginny. (d) None of these.
- 10 Who wrote the novel 'My Thyme is up' ?
- (a) Mrs. Scribano. (b) Mrs. Chris.
(c) Mrs. Rita Winter. (d) Mrs. Norah.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* of the following questions in two or three sentences :

- 11 What does the jar symbolize ?
- 12 Who are the singers in the poem 'I hear America singing' ?
- 13 Who is the speaker and the addressee of the poem "Mother to Son" ?
- 14 Why does Oliver refuse to recognize Biff ?
- 15 Why does Major de Spain impose a fine on Abner ?
- 16 Who has taken the photograph mentioned in Atwood's poem ?
- 17 What happened when the drum was beating inside the speaker in the beginning ?
- 18 What happened to men and fish when the drum invoked the sun and moon ?
- 19 What does the tree mentioned in the poem "Africa" represent ?

20 What are the conditions to be kept once an organ donor commits to a buyer ?

21 What does the narrator expect to happen in "Killing Time" ?

22 What was the name of Mrs. Winter's first novel ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :

23 Give a character sketch of Willy Loman.

24 Comment on the kind of staircase that the mother was.

25 What are the gothic features in the story 'The Fall of the House of Usher' ?

26 Attempt a character sketch of Colonel Sartorius Snopes.

27 Justify the title of the poem "House of a Thousand Doors."

28 What became Gwen's symbol of regret and anger ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

29 Write a critical appreciation of the poem "Edge."

30 Explain how Edgar Allen Poe's short story "The Fall of the House of Usher" is a brilliant example of gothic fiction.

31 'Harvest' is a futuristic play. Justify.

32 Attempt an appreciation of Carold Shield's "A Scarf."

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)