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**M A DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION , JANUARY 2022**

**Second Semester**

**CORE - EN010203 - AMERICAN LITERATURES**

M A ENGLISH, M A ENGLISH (SF)

2019 Admission Onwards

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Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

**Part A (Short Answer Questions)**

*Answer any **eight** questions.*

*Weight 1 each.*

1. Where could you trace the roots of American Black Romanticism?
2. Symbolic significance of the time of action in the poem "Raven"
3. Significance of the vision of the sea and the bird in "Out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking".
4. What does Emily Dickinson mean in "The Soul Selects her own Society".
5. What is the symbolic significance of ice-cream in "The Emperor of Ice-cream"?
6. The significance of the name Biff in Death of a Salesman?
7. Why did Yong Goodman Brown go out one day?
8. What is Harry's initial reaction to seeing the vultures in "The Snows of Kilimanjaro".
9. How does the widow try to make Huck 'civilized'?
10. What are the barriers that prevent us from self-reliance according to Emerson?

(8×1=8 weightage)

**Part B (Short Essay/Problems)**

*Answer any **six** questions.*

*Weight 2 each.*

11. How does Spiller describe Thomas Jefferson as one of the founding fathers of America?
12. Why, according to John Pritchard the education institutions could not contribute much to the making of culture in nineteenth century America?
13. Make an appreciation of the poem, "Cherokee Rose".
14. Analyze the relationship between anyone and no one in e.e.cummings poem.





15. Comment on the themes in “To live in the Borderlands”.
16. Oddities of Bartleby in “Bartleby the Scrivener”
17. Comment on the habit of writing letters by Moses in Herzog.
18. Martin Luther King Jr’s pieces of advice to his followers in his speech.

(6×2=12 weightage)

**Part C (Essay Type Questions)**

*Answer any **two** questions.*

*Weight 5 each.*

19. Robert Frost’s deceptively simple style in his poems often hides profound thoughts and feelings. Discuss in the context of “Birches”.
20. Discuss The Emperor Jones as a modern tragedy.
21. Mornings in Jenin depicts the untold story of social suffering in Palestine. Discuss
22. On the whole Thoreau’s Walden reflects the religious sentiment of “Higher Laws” which is basically Transcendental in nature. Discuss.

(2×5=10 weightage)

