

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
MA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2023  
(First Semester)

Branch - ENGLISH

AMERICAN LITERARY STUDIES

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

SECTION-A (10 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(10 × 1 = 10)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	1	“The strong gods pine for my abode” – The strong gods are the gods of ----- a) fire, sky & death b) sky, earth & death c) sky, earth & fire d) earth, sky & mountains	K1	CO1
	2	Tracy Smith employs the simile in comparing money with a ----- a) mysterious man            b) mystery world c) mysterious lover        d) mystery ropeway	K1	CO1
2	3	Toni Morrison upholds the power of ----- than human life itself. a) wealth                        b) health c) language                    d) Nobel prize	K1	CO1
	4	Thoreau expresses that in the bare fields and tinkling woods, one can see that ----- survives. a) snow                         b) dead leaves c) wild creatures            d) virtue	K1	CO1
3	5	In the III Act of the play of Edward Albee, George recites sections of -----. a) Agapé    b) Kyrie eleison    c) Dunamis    d) Poiema	K1	CO1
	6	Blue Mountain in the play <i>The Glass Menagerie</i> symbolizes the ----- a) gloomy life of Amanda b) Alps c) prosperous past of Amanda d) shady, sneaky past of Amanda	K1	CO1
4	7	----- is Lily's daughter by a previous marriage in <i>A Southern Family</i> . a) Clare        b) snow        c) Rose        d) Mona	K1	CO1
	8	The drug ----- is injected into Montag in <i>Fahrenheit 451</i> . a) morphine    b) cocaine    c) betadine    d) procaine	K1	CO1
5	9	According to Poe, a poem can consist _____ lines. a) 100            b) 105 c) 110            d) 120	K1	CO1
	10	According to Frost, a poem should begin in delight and end in ----- a) teaching    b) training    c) doctrine    d) wisdom	K1	CO1

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**SECTION - B (35 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 × 7 = 35)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	11.a.	Annotate the following : O Powerful western fallen Star ! O Shades of night – O moody, tearful night! O great star disappear' d – O the black muck that hides the star!	K2	CO1
	(OR)			
	11.b.	Annotate the following : The caged bird sings With a fearful trill Of things unknown but longed for still and his tune is heard		
2	12.a.	Annotate the following : Silently we unlatch the door, letting the drift fall in, and step abroad to face the cutting air.	K3	CO3
	(OR)			
	12.b.	Annotate the following : We will not blame you if your reach exceeds your grasp; if love so ignites your words they go down in flames and nothing is left but their scald.		
3	13.a.	Annotate the following : Alas, Martha, in reality it works out that the sacrifice is usually of a some what more private portion of the anatomy.	K3	CO3
	(OR)			
	13.b.	Annotate the following : I wish that you were my sister. I'd teach you to have some confidence in yourself.		
4	14.a.	Analyze the reason for the death of Theo Quick in <i>A Southern Family</i> .	K4	CO2
	(OR)			
	14.b.	Inspect the reasons for banning books by the government in <i>Fahrenheit 451</i> .		
5	15.a.	Examine Poe's theory of Poetics as expressed in <i>The Philosophy of Composition</i> .	K3	CO3
	(OR)			
	15.b.	"Sound is the gold in the ore" – Develop the concept of Robert Frost with citations from the text.		

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**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (3 × 10 = 30)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	16	Analyse the theme and the writing style of Walt Whitman in his poem 'When Lilacs Last'.	K5	CO1
2	17	Analyze the transcendentalist philosophy of Thoreau with reference to the essay prescribed for study.	K4	CO4
3	18	Elaborate the concept of 'The American Dream' to be found in <i>The Glass Menagerie</i> .	K5	CO3
4	19	Justify the title <i>Fahrenheit 451</i> with appropriate citations from the text.	K5	CO3
5	20	Elaborate on the various stages of composing a poem with reference to the philosophies suggested by Edgar Allen Poe.	K6	CO5

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