

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)
MA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2018
(First Semester)

Branch - ENGLISH

AMERICAN LITERATURE

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

PART - A

SECTION-A

I Annotate the following passages (5 x 6 = 30)

- 1 a Tell this soul with sorrow laden if,
within the distant Aidenn,
It shall clasp a sainted maiden
whom the angels name Lenore.

OR

- b Call the roller of big cigars,
The muscular one bid him whip
In kitchen cups concupiscent curds

- 2 a Give her coal, youse guys! Coal, dabs her booze; Drink it up. baby!
Let's see yuh sprint! Dig in and gam a lap! Dere she go-o-es,

OR

- b Do any human beings ever realize life while they live is? - everv-every minute?

- 3 a Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation or
any nation, so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure.

OR

- b We have also come to this hallowed spot to remind America of the
fierce urgency now. This is not time to engage in the luxury of cooling
off or to take tranquilizing drug of gradualism.

SECTION - B

II Write short notes on the following

- 4 a Holden Caulfield does not care much for his family, who does the people he
feels really close to, and why?

OR

- b Sketch the character of Caroline Meeber.

- 5 a Write a note on the gothic elements in poe's 'The Fall of the House of
usher'.

OR

- b Write a note on the relationship between Doctor Burleigh and Rosicky's
family.

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PART -B

Answer any FIVE questions
ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (5 x 9 = 45)

III Write essays on the following questions

- 6 Discuss the poem O Captain ! My Captain ! as an elegy.
- 7 Write an essay on 'the Hairy Ape' as an Expressionistic Play.
- 8 What is Martin Luther King's dream?
- 9 Discuss the Catcher in the Rye as an autobiographical novel.
- 10 How does Willa Cather arouse the conscience of his readers through the story 'Neighbour Rosicky'?
- 11 The Galss Menagerie is a 'Memory Play' - Discuss.
- 12 Consider 'The American Scholar' as a document of Transcendentalism.

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