

Regd.No. _____

(SPE 8110 A1)

B.A. Degree (CBCS) Examinations, JULY -2022

VI SEMESTER

AMERICAN LITERATURE - I

TIME : 3.00 Hours

Maximum . 60 Marks

I. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 200 words **2X10=20**

- a. Write the contrast between the American literature and Commonwealth literature.
- b. Discuss thoroughly the major developments of commonwealth literature.
- c. How does Commonwealth literature make a unique impact on the world literature?
- d. Give an account of the major literary developments of American Literature.
- e. What is the progress of American literature in English till today?

II. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 200 words **2X8=16**

- a. What are the associated themes of the story "Rip Van Winkle"?
- b. Explain the context of "Rip Van Winkle"
- c. How do you justify the title "Rip Van Winkle" by Washington Irving?
- d. Give a detailed note on the thematic development of "A Horseman in the Sky."
- e. What are the literary features of the story of "A Horseman in the Sky" by A. Bierce?

III. Answer any ONE of the following questions in about 200 words **1X8=8**

- a. What is the theme that is modern about the poem "The World We Want is with us"?
- b. "Expect Nothing" is a direction of an individual's heart. – Justify.
- c. Comment on the style of Alice Walker's poems prescribed for your study.

IV. Answer any ONE of the following questions in about 200 words **1X8=8**

- a. How do you justify that "The Red Badge of Courage" is a War Novel"?
- b. How does the thematic development of "The Red Badge of Courage" arouse readers' curiosity?
- c. What is the contribution of Stephen Crane through "The Red Badge of Courage"?

V. Answer any ONE of the following questions in about 200 words **1X8=8**

- a. Analyze "The Street Car Named Desire" as a social drama in reality.
- b. Destiny is above the character – Explain in terms of "A Street Car Named Desire"
- c. Justify the wretchedness of life as an inseparable element in "A Street Car Named Desire"?

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