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**FIFTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE (SUPPLEMENTARY/IMPROVEMENT)
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2016**

(UG—CCSS)

English

EN 5B 4—LITERATURE IN ENGLISH : AMERICAN AND POST COLONIAL

(2009—2011 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

I. Answer the following bunches of questions :—

- (A) 1 What does 'hatter' mean Whitman's poem ?
(a) Hat-maker. (b) Hat-seller.
(c) Both (a) and (b). (d) None of these.
- 2 Who is used to "this sort of thing" ?
(a) The dead child. (b) The mother.
(c) The moon. (d) The boatman.
- 3 What was the jar like ?
(a) Gray. (b) Bare.
(c) Both (a) and (b). (d) None of these.
- 4 Who uses the crystal stair image ?
(a) Langston Hughes. (b) Sylvia Plath.
(c) Whitman. (d) None of these.
- (B) 5 *My Thyme is Up* had _____ sales.
(a) Depressing. (b) Sparky.
(c) Moderate. (d) None of these.
- 6 What is true about the house of the Usher ?
(a) Beautiful. (b) Gloomy.
(c) Pleasant. (d) None of these.

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- 7 Who among the following is called the donor in the play *The Harvest* ?
- (a) Ma. (b) Jaya.
(c) Om. (d) All of these.
- 8 It was taken some time ago. What ?
- (a) Photograph. (b) Life.
(c) Film. (d) The dead body.
- (C) 9 Which bird screamed when Columbus was about to touch the land ?
- 10 Which is the first line of the poem 'Africa' ?
- 11 Who is the protagonist of the play *The Harvest* ?
- 12 How many doors does the house have _____.

(12 × ¼ = 3 weightage)

II. Answer each of the following questions in two or three sentences :

- 13 What was Willy's dream ?
- 14 How did the narrator feel at the sight of the house of usher ?
- 15 What is the theme of Kamau's poem ?
- 16 Why did the fishes dance ?
- 17 According to Scribano, who should be buying *My Thyme is Up* ?
- 18 Why were all the people singing in Whitman's poem ?
- 19 Comment on the conclusion of the play *The Harvest*.
- 20 Comment on the title 'Killing Time'.
- 21 What is the most prominent image in the poem "Africa" ?

(9 × 1 = 9 weightage)

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

- 22 Gwendolyn.
- 23 Barn burner.
- 24 The title of the play *Death of a Salesman*.
- 25 The success of *My Thyme is Up*.

- 26 Symbolism in the poem "Anecdote of the Jar".
- 27 Jaya's role in *The Harvest*.
- 28 Theme of the story 'Killing time'.

(5 × 2 = 10 weightage)

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

- 29 What are the aspects that makes Sylvia Plath's poem remarkable ?
- 30 Discuss the cultural significance of the play *Death of a Salesman*.
- 31 Elaborate the structural and thematic significance of the poem "Africa".

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)

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English (Core Course)

EN 5B 04—LITERATURE IN ENGLISH—AMERICAN AND POST COLONIAL

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

I. Answer the following bunches of questions :

A 1 Who is heard singing at night by Whitman ?

- (a) carpenter. (b) boatman.
(c) shoemaker. (d) party of young fellows.

2 Who is described as his 'foundation and support' by Willy ?

- (a) Biff Loman. (b) his Boss.
(c) Linda. (d) Happy.

3 The jar was _____ and bare.

- (a) gray. (b) White.
(c) both (a) and (b). (d) None of these.

4 What kind of smile did me woinah in 'Edge' have ?

- (a) of accommodation. (b) of accompaniment.
(c) of accomplishment. (d) of acceptance.

B 5 Harris _____ the boy to be cross-examined.

- (a) wanted.
(b) did not want.
(c) wanted but the judge did not permit.
(d) none of these.

6 Poe's story has _____ features.

- (a) Gothic. (b) classic.
(c) neo-classical. (d) postcolonial.

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7 The play *Harvest* won the _____ prize/award.

- (a) Onassis. (b) Susan Smith Blackburn.
(c) Pampa. (d) none of these.

8 The Photograph was taken the day after she was _____.

- (a) born. (b) graduated.
(c) married. (d) drowned.

C 9 _____ is the historical figure mentioned in Kamau Braithwaite's poem.

10 The sun is said to 'burn down to the _____ coast in Meena Alexander's poem.

11 The drum is described as _____ by Okara.

12 The taste of liberty, according to Diop, is _____.

(12 × ¼ = 3 weightage)

II. Answer each of the following questions in two or three sentences :

13 What did Willy expect Biff to perform in *Business* in comparison to Bernard ?

14 What strange experience did the narrator in Poe's story have when he was reading the knight's story ?

15 What is cracked with bullet shot ?

16 What happened when the drum inside the speaker stopped to beat ?

17 How did the narrator's husband in 'A Scarf' want her to respond to the *New York Times Book Review* ?

18 Who sang standing in Whitman's poem ?

19 Comment on the character Jaya in *The Harvest*.

20 What happened to the stranger in 'Killing Time' ?

21 What is the metaphor used by Diop to describe the new Africa ?

(9 × 1 = 9 weightage)

III. Answer five of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :—

22 Violence in 'Barn Burning'.

23 Howard Wagner.

24 Madeline Usher.

25 The theme of the poem 'House of a thousand doors'.

26 Kamau's depiction of nature's reaction.

27 The first world and the third world in *The Harvest*.

28 Gwendolyn and her lover ('A Scarf').

(5 × 2 = 10 weightage)

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

29 What do you understand about the 'American Dream' and the tragedy it involves from Miller's play ?

30 Write an essay on American poetry taking examples from the poems studied ?

31 What are the themes and features of postcolonial poetry ?

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)