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UG DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS - APRIL 2025.

(For those admitted in June 2021 and later)

PROGRAMME AND BRANCH: B.A., ENGLISH

SEM	CATEGORY	COMPONENT	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE
VI	PART - III	CORE	U21EN615	AMERICAN LITERATURE

Date & Session: 29.04.2025/FN

Time : 3 hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

Course Outcome	Bloom's K-level	Q. No.	SECTION – A (10 X 1 = 10 Marks) Answer ALL Questions.
CO1	K1	1.	In which year 'Out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking' was published? a) 1859 b) 1849 c) 1869 d) 1889
CO1	K2	2.	Whose life is compared to Stair in Mother to Son? a) Father b) Son c) Mother d) Brother
CO2	K1	3.	Who of the following is the father of US American transcendentalism? a) Henry David Thoreau b) Margaret Fuller c) Robert Frost d) Ralph Waldo Emerson
CO2	K2	4.	How many years, months and days Thoreau lived in Walden? a) 2 Years 2 Months and 2 Days b) 4 Years 4 Months and 4 Days c) 2 Years 4 Months and 2 Days d) 4 Years 2 Months and 4 Days
CO3	K1	5.	What colour is the old man's eye that disturbs the narrator in the short story ' <i>The Tell-Tale Heart</i> ? a) Green b) Gray c) Blue d) Brown
CO3	K2	6.	A Dark Brown Dog story is a/an _____. a) Satire b) fantasy c) Allegory d) Comedy
CO4	K1	7.	What is the name of the fish that Santiago caught in <i>Old Man and the Sea</i> ? a) Manolin b) Marlin c) Albatross d) Chaplin
CO4	K2	8.	'I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings' is a / an _____. a) Biography b) Autobiography c) Folklore d) Fantasy
CO5	K1	9.	Who is the protagonist of <i>A Streetcar Named Desire</i> ? a) Stanley Kowalski b) Blanche DuBois c) Steve Hubbell d) Pablo Gonzales
CO5	K2	10.	<i>A Raisin in the Sun</i> is a play was written by _____. a) Daniel Petrie b) Maya Angelou c) Lorraine Hansberry d) Tennessee Williams
Course Outcome	Bloom's K-level	Q. No.	SECTION – B (5 X 5 = 25 Marks) Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b)
CO1	K3	11a.	How would you explain Emily Dickinson portray the relationship between humans and nature in "A Bird, Came Down the Walk"? (OR)
CO1	K3	11b.	Identify the historical backdrop of African American life as shown in Hughes' <i>Mother to Son</i> .

CO2	K3	12a.	Construct your idea with the quote "Every heart is tuned to that string" from Emerson's "Self-Reliance". (OR)
CO2	K3	12b.	List out titles of any five chapters from Henry David Thoreau's 'Walden': 'Where I lived and What I lived for'.
CO3	K4	13a.	Illustrate the use of symbolism by Allen Edgar Poe in his Short Story <i>A Tell-Tale Heart</i> . (OR)
CO3	K4	13b.	Analyze the theme of abuse in Stephen Crane's "A Dark Brown Dog".
CO4	K4	14a.	Analyze how Hemingway uses nature as a character in "The Old Man and the Sea" (OR)
CO4	K4	14b.	Comment on the changes in self-acceptance that occur throughout 'I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings'.
CO5	K5	15a.	Interpret how Tennessee Williams uses setting in "A Streetcar Named Desire" to reflect the characters' emotional states and conflicts. (OR)
CO5	K5	15b.	Justify how Lorraine Hansberry addresses issues of racial discrimination through Mr. Lindner's character in "A Raisin in the Sun".

Course Outcome	Bloom's K-level	Q. No.	SECTION – C (5 X 8 = 40 Marks) Answer <u>ALL</u> Questions choosing either (a) or (b)
CO1	K3	16a.	Find out the main themes in "Out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking" and explain their significance in the poem. (OR)
CO1	K3	16b.	Construct an argument about how Dickinson uses personification in "A Bird, Came Down the Walk".
CO2	K4	17a.	Illustrate how Frost uses metaphor to convey the organic process of poem-making in "A Figure a Poem Makes". (OR)
CO2	K4	17b.	Order the key arguments Thoreau presents regarding the necessity of living deliberately in "Where I Lived and What I Lived For."
CO3	K4	18a.	Comment on the theme of sacrifice in "The Gift of Magi". (OR)
CO3	K4	18b.	Analyse the central message of "A Dark Brown Dog".
CO4	K5	19a.	Examine the significance of nature in "The Old Man and The Sea". (OR)
CO4	K5	19b.	Compare the themes of resilience and oppression in "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings".
CO5	K5	20a.	Deduct the significance of the theme "American dream" in the play <i>A Street Car Named Desire</i> . (OR)
CO5	K5	20b.	Identify the key themes in "A Raisin in the Sun" and discuss how they reflect the struggles of the Younger family.