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N.G.M.COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) : POLLACHI

END-OF-SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS : MAY 2023

M.A. – ENGLISH LITERATURE

MAXIMUM MARKS: 50

II SEMESTER

TIME : 3 HOURS

AMERICAN LITERATURE

SECTION – A

ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS, BY CHOOSING THE CORRECT

ANSWER:-

(5X1=5)

1. The bird drank the dew from the convenient _____.
a. Tree b. Bush c. Grass d. Container
2. What are the major influences on the scholar?
a. Nature and books b. Theatre and art c. Nature and man d. Man and books
3. Blanche often mentions her love of _____ during the play as a sign of her cultured upbringing and sense of refinement.
a. Drama b. Poetry c. fiction d. Prayer.
4. Young Goodman Brown is a _____.
a. Roman Catholic b. Protestant c. Puritan d. Non-Christian
5. When actual shooting breaks out between the two feuding clans, Huck hides himself in a _____.
a. Neem tree b. cottonwood tree c. tunnel d. rock

Answer all the questions in one or two sentences:- (05X1=05)

6. How is the snake in the grass described by Emily Dickinson?
7. What does Emerson mean by his words "the one thing in the world of value is the active soul"?
8. What does the blue piano music from the saloon denote, when Stella and Stanley reunite?
9. Why does Montresor seek revenge in "The Cask of Amontillado
10. How has Mr. Touchett earned his money?

SECTION - B

II. ANSWER THE GIVEN QUESTIONS IN SHORT, BY CHOOSING
EITHER (A) OR (B):-

(5X3=15)

11. (a) *Not on of all the purple Host
Who took the Flag today
Can tell the definition
So clear of Victory*

(OR)

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(b) *Each singing what belongs to him or her and to none else,
The day what belongs to the day — at night the party of young fellows, robust,
friendly,
Singing with open mouths their strong melodious songs*

12. (a) *Books are the best of things, well used; abused among the worst.*
(OR)

(b) *Having once got hold they never let go, but struggled and wrestled and rolled
on the chips incessantly.*

13. (a) *Those are inexpensive summer furs that Blanche has had a long time.*
(OR)

(b) *Only Mr. Edgar Allan Poe!—could do it justice. Out there I suppose is the ghoul-
haunted woodland of Weir!*

14. (a) Indicate the conflicts present in Poe's "the cask of Amontillado" conflicts of "The
Cask of Amontillado"? **(OR)**

(b) What problems does Young Goodman Brown confront in "Young Goodman Brown"?

15. (a) Explain how does Tom show himself to be immature despite being the leader of Tom
Sawyer's gang. **(OR)**

(b) Describe the nature of Isabel and Osmond's relationship.

SECTION – C (5X5=25)

III. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN ABOUT 600 WORDS EACH:

16. (a) Analyse how is the theme of appearance versus reality handled in "A Hand Mirror"?

(OR)

(b) Discuss how Crane's "To Brooklyn Bridge" depicts the bridge not only as a great
work of architecture but as a respite from the constraints of ordinary life, the source of
a heroic and inspiring "myth" for modern times.

17. (a) Distinguish and explain in detail how "Emerson makes a clear distinction between a
man thinking and a "mere thinker" or "delegated intellect." in his work The American
Scholar. **(OR)**

(b) Elaborate the emotional effect of the ant battle on Thoreau?

18. (a) Explain the statement, "Indulging one's desire in the form of unrestrained promiscuity
leads to forced departures and unwanted ends" with reference to *A Street Car
named Desire?* **(OR)**

(b) Criticize how Tennessee Williams called the streetcar the "ideal metaphor for the
human condition."

19. (a) Appraise the differences and similarities of Montresor and Fortunato in "The Cask of
Amontillado"? **(OR)**

(b) Justify the significance of the title *Young Goodman Brown*?

20. (a) Illustrate how, violence and greed are the motivations of much of the action in *The
Huckleberry Finn*. Illustrate:-
(OR)

(b) Discuss how Henry James' *The Portrait of a Lady* is an attempt to frame the life of its
female protagonist.