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BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2025 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 ADMISSIONS SUPPLEMENTARY SEMESTER VI - CORE COURSE (ENGLISH) EN6B13B18 - American Literature

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 80

Part A

I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 2 marks

(10x2=20)

- 1. Examine how the Indian was depicted in early narratives of America.
- 2. What is special about the Welsh language?
- 3. Allen says "After her I sit on my laddered rain-bearing rug". Comment.
- 4. Discuss the debate in the poem "Love and a Question".
- 5. Why is the old gentleman suffering and how does he get relief?
- 6. What does the narrative indicate about Gouvernail's feelings towards Mrs. Baroda?
- 7. Comment on the nature of the husband-wife relationship portrayed in 'A Respectable Woman'.
- 8. Describe how Major Molineux is depicted when Robin sees him.
- Comment on the disillusionment of Jim Bayliss about marriage and family.
- 10. Comment on how Ann Deever eventually makes Kate realise the truth about Larry's death.
- 11. Discuss why Atticus takes Tom Robinson's case even though he knew he would lose.
- 12. Comment on how the character of Aunt Alexandra contributes to the theme of gender stereotyping in the novel, *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks

(6x5=30)

- 13. "All his are mine, all mine his". Explain.
- 14. Write a short note on the Age of Transcendentalism and the Naturalistic Period.
- 15. Analyze the struggle depicted by Adrienne Rich to teach her class.
- 16. Write a short note on the Harlem Renaissance.
- 17. Comment on the discrimination against native Indians as seen in "Lullaby".
- 18. Is the title 'A Respectable Woman' ironical? Discuss.
- 19. Evaluate the damaged aeroplane parts as one of the symbols of the play, All My Sons.
- 20. Evaluate the Greek influences on the play, All My Sons.
- 21. Critically analyse Scout's first day at school.

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 15 marks

(2x15=30)

- 22. Trace the history of American Literature as delineated by M. H. Abrams.
- 23. Explain how Denise Levertov was a great lover of humanity.
- 24. Explain why Joe Keller commits suicide.
- 25. Discuss the novel, To Kill a Mockinbird, as a bildungsroman.