

M.A. (Part—II) English (Semester—III) Examination

3.3 : ENGLISH

Elective Papers—(American Literature—I)

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

Note :— All questions are compulsory.

1. (A) Write short notes on any **THREE** of the following :
 - (i) 'Shadows and Cries' in 'The Streetcar Named Desire'.
 - (ii) Gothic Fiction.
 - (iii) The Silver Bullet.
 - (iv) Puritan Society in 'The Scarlet Letter'.
 - (v) Muckraker.
 - (vi) Swinger of Birches.

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- (B) Choose the correct alternatives from those given below. Write full sentences :
 - (i) Which of the following is a work by Thoreau ?
 - (a) The Tell-Tale Heart
 - (b) The Black Cat
 - (c) The Fall of the House of Mr. Usher
 - (d) Walden
 - (ii) 'Call me Ishmael' is the opening sentence of :
 - (a) Moby Dick
 - (b) The Scarlet Letter
 - (c) The Fall of the House of Mr. Usher
 - (d) Death of a Salesman
 - (iii) Emperor Jones declares that he can be killed only with a :
 - (a) Gold bullet
 - (b) Silver bullet
 - (c) Lead bullet
 - (d) Copper bullet
 - (iv) The book that the narrator reads to Usher is :
 - (a) The Haunted Palace
 - (b) The Haunted House
 - (c) The Folly of Eldorado
 - (d) The Mad Trist
 - (v) 'Bolts of Melody' is the collection of poems by :
 - (a) Walt Whitman
 - (b) Emily Dickinson
 - (c) Robert Frost
 - (d) T.S. Eliot

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2. Compare and contrast the characters of Hester and Dimmesdale.

OR

Attempt a character sketch of Captain Ahab.

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3. 'The American Scholar' is the 'manifesto of literary Independence of America.' Discuss.

OR

Give a critical estimate of Poe as a novelist.

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4. Frost's 'poems begin in delight and ends in wisdom'. Justify.

OR

Consider Whitman as a representative poet of America.

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5. Analyse the theme of illusion vs reality in 'A Streetcar Named Desire'.

OR

How does 'Death of a Salesman' critique today's capitalist society.

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