

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

(Residential Autonomous College affiliated to University of Calcutta)

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ENGLISH (HONOURS)

PAPER : IX [CC9]

Date : 09/08/2021

Time : 11 am – 1 pm

Full Marks : 50

Group - A

1. Write a short note on **any two** of the following: [2×5]
- The beginnings of slavery in America
 - Name and note the major works of any two Pulitzer Prize winning authors in your syllabus
 - The Salem Witch trials
 - The Harlem Renaissance

Group - B

2. Answer **any one** of the following questions: [1×10]
- Which are the two most famous lines in Robert Frost's poem "Stopping by Woods"? How does their simplicity conceal a deep philosophy?
 - 'Somebody embroidered the doily / Somebody waters the plant', wrote Elizabeth Bishop, in her poem "Filling Station". Who do you think this 'Somebody' is? Answer with reference to the poem.

Group - C

3. Answer **any one** of the following questions: [1×10]
- What made the Jovians suddenly decide to be friends with the aliens on Ganymede? How were they impressed by the actions of ZZ One, ZZ Two, and ZZ Three?
 - Explain the significance of the word 'hurricane' in Alexie's story, 'Every Little Hurricane'. Refer closely to the text.

Group - D

4. Answer **any one** of the following questions: [1×10]
- Santiago failed to bring the whole marlin back to the village. Do you see this as evidence of his continued ill-luck and failure as a fisherman? Explain your view.
 - How does Santiago view the sea, as an old friend or an enemy? Discuss.

Group - E

5. Answer **any one** of the following questions: [1×10]
- Discuss The Glass Menagerie as an American tragedy.
 - What is the dramatic significance of the arrival of Jim in the world of the Wingfields. Answer with close reference to the text.

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