

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

(Residential Autonomous College affiliated to University of Calcutta)

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SECOND YEAR [BATCH 2020-23]

ENGLISH (HONOURS)

Paper : IX [CC9]

Date : 23/06/2022

Time : 11 am – 1 pm

Full Marks : 50

Group A

1. Write short notes on **any two** of the following topics: [2×5]
- The *Mayflower*
 - Salem Witch Trials
 - Edgar Allan Poe or Walt Whitman
 - Harlem Renaissance

Group B

2. Answer **any one** of the following: [1×10]
- “Frost’s poem, ‘Stopping by Woods’, conceals a deep philosophy of life within its simplicity”. Explain with reference to the text.
 - Is the last line of Langston Hughes’s poem, ‘Harlem’, a warning? Discuss.

Group C

3. Answer **any one** of the following: [1×10]
- Write a note on Sherman Alexie’s short story, ‘Every Little Hurricane’.
 - Why did the Jovians suddenly decide to resume diplomatic relations with the humans? Explain with reference to the text.

Group D

4. Answer **any one** of the following: [1×10]
- Does Santiago sympathise with the marlin? Why does he do so? Explain with reference to the novel.
 - Is *The Old Man and the Sea* only a story set in an insignificant Cuban fishing village, or is it allegorical? Explain your views.

Group E

5. Answer **any one** of the following: [1×10]
- Discuss *The Glass Menagerie* as an American tragedy.
 - What does Tennessee Williams mean by ‘plastic theatre’? Is *The Glass Menagerie* a successful example of ‘plastic theatre’?

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