

**2025/FYUG/EVEN/SEM/
ENG DSC-251/199**

FYUG Even Semester Exam., 2025

ENGLISH

(4th Semester)

Course No. : ENG DSC-251

(American Literature)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

UNIT—I

1. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

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- (a) What are the basic tenets of the Declaration of Independence in America?
- (b) Write a brief note on American Civil War.
- (c) Name four writers who were part of the Harlem Renaissance.

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2. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Write a note on the Gold Rush and the concept of the American Dream.
- (b) Discuss the salient features of Harlem Renaissance.

UNIT—II

3. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

2×2=4

- (a) What does Brahma symbolize in Ralph Waldo Emerson's poem of the same name?
- (b) What is the significance of the two roads in the poem, *The Road Not Taken*?
- (c) Who is the speaker in the poem, *Because I Could Not Stop for Death* and who accompanies the speaker in the carriage?

4. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Discuss the central idea of the poem, *The Road Not Taken*.
- (b) Attempt a critical analysis of the poem, *Mother to Son*.

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UNIT—III

5. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

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- (a) Who is Manolin?
- (b) On which day of the fishing expedition did the old man catch the great marlin? Could he haul up the fish?
- (c) What are the dreams that Santiago had?

6. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Analyze the character of Santiago of Ernest Hemingway's novel, *The Old Man and the Sea*.
- (b) Discuss the theme/themes of Ernest Hemingway's novel, *The Old Man and the Sea*.

UNIT—IV

7. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

2×2=4

- (a) Name the members of the Keller family as you find in the play, *All My Sons*.
- (b) Why was Steve Deever imprisoned?
- (c) What is the role of Dr. Jim Bayliss in the play, *All My Sons*?

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8. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Discuss *All My Sons* as a social tragedy.
- (b) Compare the relationships between fathers and sons in *All My Sons*.

UNIT—V

9. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

2×2=4

- (a) Who is Dupin and what is his role in *The Purloined Letter* ?
- (b) How does Dupin mock the police after solving the case in *The Purloined Letter* ?
- (c) Name the characters of the short story, *Everyday Use*.

10. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Examine Edgar Allan Poe's *The Purloined Letter* as a detective story.
- (b) Discuss the significance of the title of Alice Walker's *Everyday Use*.

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