

**B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019**  
**III Year VI Semester**  
**American Literature**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Max.marks :75**

**Section A** ( $10 \times 2 = 20$ ) Marks

Answer any **TEN** questions

1. Is Frost trying to say that poets always write about experiences they have had?
2. Does Ralph Waldo Emerson say anything positive about society in his essay Self-Reliance?
3. Who is the Red slayer?
4. Who guides the nation, the people or its leaders?
5. What does the Scarlet letter represent for Hester?
6. Who do you think is the most sympathetic character in 'The bluest Eyes'?
7. What confession does Usher make to the narrator during the final storm?
8. What plan did Samuel have for Lent shin?
9. In what way is Amanda an unlikely Heroine?
10. How do the Kellers commemorate their son Larry's death?
11. What is the poem 'The Mother' about?
12. What is Bellingham's reason for taking away Pearl?

**Section B** ( $5 \times 5 = 25$ ) Marks

Answer any **FIVE** questions

13. What was Frosts purpose of writing 'A Figure A Poem Makes'?
14. Bring out the emotions in 'O Captain! My Captain!'
15. What are some Gothic traits in 'The Scarlet Letter'?
16. Describe the condition in which the narrator finds his friend Roderick Usher.
17. Bring out the significance of Chriss star in All My Sons.
18. Give the critical analysis of 'The Story of an Hour'.
19. How are the lives of the Wingfields ironic?

**Section C** ( $3 \times 10 = 30$ ) Marks

Answer any **THREE** questions

20. Critically analyse the poem 'A figure a poem makes'?
21. Explain the poem of O Captain! My Captain! by Walt Whitman.
22. Explain the racism in The bluest eye?
23. What is the conflict in The son from America?
24. What is Millers criticism on the American dream in All my sons?

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