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M.A.(Eng) END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS APRIL - 2023

SEMESTER - II

20PELCT2006 - American Literature

Total Duration : 2 Hrs. 30 Mins.

Total Marks : 60

Section B

Answer any **SIX** questions ($6 \times 5 = 30$ Marks)

1. State the genre of the poem "When Lilacs Last".
2. Explain how the wall is symbolized in the poem "Mending Wall".
3. Describe the main conflict in "The Glass Menagerie".
4. Interpret the theme of "The Piano Lesson".
5. What does Addie's coffin symbolize in "As I Lay Dying"?
6. Explain Rachel Carson's main idea in "A Fable for Tomorrow".
7. Illustrate the moral of the story "The Birthmark".
8. Examine the disease of Sherman Alexie.

Section C

I - Answer any **TWO** questions ($2 \times 10 = 20$ Marks)

9. Describe the tone of "Thirteen Ways of Looking at a Blackbird".
10. Express the main theme of "Beloved".
11. Define "The Glass Menagerie" as a memory play.
12. How does Dupin solve murders in "The Murders in the Rue Morgue"?

II - Compulsory question ($1 \times 10 = 10$ Marks)

13. In "Walden", Chapter 'House Warming', how does Thoreau demonstrate that he identifies with frozen Walden Pond?
