

12. What is the issue discussed in the story 'A small, good thing' by the writer ?

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## **MAEG-10**

**M.A. (Final) EXAMINATION, June, 2011**

**ENGLISH**

Paper-MAEG-10

(American Literature)

Time allowed : Three hours

Maximum marks : 80

*Q.No. 1 is compulsory. Attempt one question from each Block. All questions carry equal marks.*

1. Explain with reference to the context any four of the following excerpts :
- (i) The pleasures of heaven are with  
me and the  
pains of hell are with me,  
The first I graft and increase  
upon myself the  
letter I translate into a new tongue.

(ii) A word is dead, when it is said  
some say –  
I say it just begins to live  
That day.

(iii) My object in living is to unite,  
My avocation and my vocation  
As my two eyes make one sight.

(iv) Something there is that doesn't love a wall,  
That sends the frozen ground swell under it,  
And spills the upper boulders in the 'sun',  
And makes gaps even two can pass abreast.

(v) I had a job and Patti didn't. I worked a few hours a  
night for the hospital.....After a while Patti wanted  
a job. She said she needed a job for her self respect.

(vi) Night and Day 've been tampered with,  
Every quality and pith  
Surcharged and sultry with a power  
That works its will on age and hour.

Block-I

2. Elaborate 'Leaves of Grass' as the national epic of  
America.

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3. Discuss Emily Dickinson as a Mystic poet.

4. Bring out spontaneity and simplicity in Frost's lyricism with  
suitable references from the prescribed poems.

Block-II

5. 'The Scarlet Letter' is allegorical novel. Discuss.

6. Discuss Catherine Barkley as a tragic heroine.

7. Elucidate 'The Bluest Eye' as not one story but multiple  
and interlocking stories.

Block-III

8. Discuss Miller's 'Death of a Salesman' as a tragedy.

9. Elucidate 'The Glass Menagerie' as a memory play and  
state its symbolic significance.

10. Justify the Emperor Jones' as a one-man play.

Block-IV

11. How, according to Emerson, does the over-soul manifest  
itself ?

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