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M.A. (Final) EXAMINATION,

December, 2010

ENGLISH

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(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. Relevant critical comments will be appreciated.
 - (i) Nor for you, for one alone,

Blossoms and Branches green to coffins all I bring,

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For fresh as the morning, this would, I chant a song for you O sane and sacred death

- (ii) Since then, tis centuries - and yet Feels shorter than Day I first surmised the Horses's Heads were towards Eternity.
- It's when I'm weary of consideration (iii) And life is too much like a pathless wood Where your face burns and tickles with the cobwebs. Broken across it, and one eye is weeping From a tig's having lashed across it poem.
- There where it is wedo not need the wall (iv) He is all pine I am apple orchard My apple trees will never get across And eat the cones under his pines, I tell him.
- Be glad of water, but don't forget, (v) The lurking frost in the earth beneath That will steal forth after the sun is set And show on the water its crystal teeth.

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(vi) Success is counted sweetest By those who never succeed To comprehand a nectar Requires sorest need. 4+4+4+4

Block-I

- 2. Elaborate Lohittman a poet prophet of Democracy with suitable examples from the text.
- 3. Write a critical summary of when Lilacs Last in the Dooryard bloomed.
- 4. 'Frost is a great poet of barriers and boundaries?' Justify.

Block-II

- 5. Comment on the fusion of the theme, motifs and symbols in 'A Farewell to Arms.'
- 6. Define the significance of the themes of racism, solvency intellectual and moral education in the novel 'Huckleberry Finn'.

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Block-III

- 8. What is Miller's philosophy as a creative artist ? Discuss it in context with 'Death of a Salesman.'
- 9. Discuss the salient features of Eugene O'Neill's and Tennessee William's Dramas.
- 10. What is Eugene O'Neill's philosophy and the significance of hallucinations of Jones in 'The Emperor Jones''

Block-IV

- 11. Discuss the Story 'Vitamins as a tale of modern life with suitable examples.
- 12. Draw a character sketch of 'Baker' and his importance in the story 'A Small Good Things'.
- 13. What characteristics are drawn of American society by Emerson through his essay 'The American Scholar'.

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14. What are Emerson's views regarding time in the context of the Soul.