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(6th Semester)

ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Paper : El Eng-601 (a)

(**American Literature**)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 54)

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

1. The poem, *I Hear America Singing* focuses on the nature of work and individuality. Discuss. 10

Or

Describe Walt Whitman's *When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd* as a pastoral elegy.

2. What is the significance of death in Emily Dickinson's prescribed poems? 10

Or

The poem, *I heard a Fly buzz—when I died* attempts to imagine the transition between life and death. Elaborate.

3. Comment on the central idea of the poem, *The Road Not Taken*. 10

Or

Describe the use of realistic images and symbolic representation in Robert Frost's *Birches*.

4. Explain how Emerson in his essay speaks of Nature giving harmony to the universe. 10

Or

"Nature is always consistent, though she feigns to contravene her own laws." Comment.

5. Write an essay on Emerson's Transcendentalism. 14

Or

Attempt a comparative study of Emerson and Whitman.

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