

2024

( 6th Semester )

ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Paper : El Eng-601 (a)

[ American Literature (Poetry, Prose  
and Language) ]

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. Comment on Whitman's use of imagery in  
*When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd.* 10

Or

Discuss *I Hear America Singing* as a poem  
celebrating democracy.

2. How does Emily Dickinson visualize death in  
*Because I Could Not Stop for Death?* 10

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( Turn Over )

Or

Critically assess Dickinson's poem, *I Heard a Fly Buzz—When I Died*.

3. *The Road Not Taken* reflects on the difficulty and significance of taking a decision. Elaborate. 10

Or

Give the central idea of Frost's poem, *Birches*.

4. Examine Emerson's nature as an expression of his transcendental ideas. 10

Or

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

5. Discuss Frost as a Nature poet. 14

Or

Examine any one poet in detail and his/her contribution to American poetry.

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( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )

( Marks : 16 )

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Answer the following questions :

2×8=16

1. What do 'Lilacs' and the 'western star' symbolize in the poem, *When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd* ?

2. What are the contributions of the people to the onward movement of life in America?

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3. What does the speaker pass by during her carriage ride with death?

4. What is significant about the speaker's desire to get away from earth awhile in the poem, *Birches*?

5. What was the poet's dilemma in *The Road Not Taken*?

6. Why does Emerson say that a person living with modern amenities is unable to appreciate beautiful things?



7. In *I Heard a Fly Buzz—When I Died*, who is the king referred to?

8. How does Nature give a healing effect on us?

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