

2022

ENGLISH

[HONOURS]

(B.A. Third Semester-End Examination-2022)

PAPER: HCC-7

Full Marks: 60

Time: 03 Hrs

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

**1. Attempt any two of the following questions taking one
from each group: 2×10= 20**

Group-A

- i) Comment on the significance of the title of John Steinbeck's "The Chrysanthemums".
- ii) Consider *The Bluest Eye* as a critique of the western standard of beauty and the impact of its internalization on the psyche.

Group-B

- iii) Discuss the importance of the metaphor of the road used in "The Road Not Taken".
- iv) Would you consider Willy Loman as a tragic hero? Elucidate your statement.

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2. Attempt any four of the following questions. 4×5=20

- i) "Two roads diverged in a wood. And I—/
I took the one less travelled by, / And that has made
all the difference." — Comment.
- ii) What are the possibilities of deferring a dream that
Langston Hughes has suggested in the poem
"Harlem"?
- iii) How does the poem "O Captain! My Captain" rely on
an extended metaphor?
- iv) Give a brief description of the methods undertaken
by the police in their elaborate search for the letter
in "The Purloined Letter".
- v) Briefly comment on the use of symbols in John
Steinbeck's "The Chrysanthemums".
- vi) Comment briefly on the use of excerpts from the
'Dick and Jane' primer in the novel *The Bluest Eye*.
- vii) Comment on the role played by Linda in *The Death
of a Salesman*.

3. Attempt any ten of the following questions. 10×2=20

- i) Who is the narrator of *The Bluest Eye*? What is the
name of her sister?
- ii) Name the work of Langston Hughes where the poem
"Harlem" is a part of. Which play was titled after a
line of the poem "Harlem"?

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- iii) What is the reason behind the repetition of 'For
you' in the poem "O Captain! My Captain"?
- iv) What did Dupin leave behind during his first
visit to the minister's chamber and why?
- v) What did Dupin do to create a distraction in
order to steal the letter?
- vi) Why does the tinker take an interest in Eliza's
chrysanthemums?
- vii) How does Henry treat and behave with Eliza in
"The Chrysanthemums"?
- viii) Who is Bob in *The Bluest Eye*? How is he killed?
- ix) Who is Maureen Peal? What is the nickname
given to her by Claudia?
- x) What is the significance of the stocking in *The
Death of a Salesman*?
- xi) What is the symbolic significance of the seeds in
The Death of a Salesman.
- xii) Who is Ben in *The Death of a Salesman*? What
kind of 'success' does he represent?
- xiii) What are the basic points that infuriated the
Black Women and they started to speak for
themselves?
- xiv) What type of American poetry emerged from
1950s onwards?

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- xv) Mention the names of a couple of regional writers of America along with their works.

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