M.Phil/2nd Sem/ENG/19

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M.Phil.

2nd Semester Examination

ENGLISH

Paper - ENG 123

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable. Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Group - A

1. Answer *any two* questions from the following: $14 \times 2 = 28$

(a) Who were the Transcendentalist poets of America of the nineteenth century? Discuss their contribution to American literature.

Or,

(b) Discuss the significance of the journey of the letter in Poe's short story 'The Purloined Letter'.

[Turn Over]

(c) How does Langston Hughes use the metaphor of space to express the anguish of the 'Negro' people of America in his poems? Discuss.

Or;

- (d) Comment on the style of Langston Hughes' poetry.
- (e) What role does the imagery of Walt Whitman play in Alen Ginsberg's poem 'A Supermarket in California'? Discuss.

Or,

(f) Assess how the images employed by Plath add meaning to 'Daddy'?

Group - B

2. Comment on the following:

- $4 \times 3 = 12$
- (a) The inability of the Prefect of the Parisian police to discover the letter.

Or,

(b) Poe's portrait of mathematicians in 'The Purloined Letter'.

(c) Usage of the phrase 'black waters of Lethe' in Ginsberg's poem 'A Supermaket in California'.

Or,

- (d) "And then I knew what to do".
- (e) "What happens to a dream deferred"?

Or,

(f) "I bathed in the Euphrates when dawns were young".