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M.A.DEGREE EXAMINATION –ENGLISH LITERATURE

FIRST SEMESTER – APRIL 2018

17PEL1MC03– AMERICAN LITERATURE

Date: 28-04-2018

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00-12:00

SECTION – A

Answer any five of the following in about 200 words each:

(5x8=40)

1. Write a note on the relationship between Blanche and Stella in “A Streetcar Named Desire”.
2. Comment on the significance of the title “The Revelation”.
3. Discuss the pathos in the short story “The Chrysanthemums”.
4. What role does Calpurnia play in the lives of Jem and Scout?
5. Explain the unique experiences of Allen Ginsberg in the Supermarket.
6. Marianne Moore’s poetry’ is a reawakening of self. Discuss.
7. Describe the image and symbol connected to the fish tank in “For the union dead”.
8. Bring out the significance of the title in Langston Hughes’ “Democracy”.

SECTION – B

Answer the following in about 300 words each:

(3x20=60)

9. Comment on the character of Atticus in “To kill a Mockingbird”.

(or)

Bring out the tension in the relationship between Laurel and her stepmother in “The Optimist’s Daughter”.

10. Elaborate on the theme of marriage in “A Streetcar Named Desire”.

(or)

Was Robert Frost Successful in his attempt in mending the wall? Substantiate your answer.

11. The genuine company of Nature make humanity gentle whereas a city is always a Source of absurdity. Explain this with reference to Thoreau’s where I lived and What I lived for.

(or)

What are the observations of Irving Babbit’s ‘The Critic and American life’.
