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DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH UN-AIDED
QUESTION BANK

Class:	B.A English		
Semester (UG - III & V; PG - III) :	V	Subject Code :	AENJC52
Name of the Subject :	The American Literature		

Section A (Multiple Choice Questions)

Unit I: (Prose)

- 'The Battle of the Ants' is an extract from _____.
(a) Civil Disobedience (b) Cape Cod (c) Walden (d) Life Without Principle
- Achilles was a _____ hero.
(a) Greek (b) Roman (c) Venician (d) Jungle
- Thoreau personifies the ants by comparing them to _____.
(a) snails (b) humans (c) dogs (d) monkeys
- Abraham Lincoln was assassinated in _____.
(a) 1835 (b) 1845 (c) 1855 (d) 1865
- Lincoln was invited to speak at _____.
(a) Gettysburg (b) Sidney (c) New Jersey (d) New York

Unit II: (Poetry)

- 'West- Running Brook' records the conversation between _____.
(a) Fred and his wife (b) Fred and his sister (c) Fred and his mother (d) Fred and his brother
- 'Brahma' is a _____ poem.
(a) sonnet (b) melancholic (c) lyric (d) epic
- Whitman is called the father of _____.
(a) free fiction (b) free verse (c) free drama (d) free prose
- Carl Sandburg wants to find the meaning of _____.
(a) happiness (b) anxiety (c) philosophy (d) comedy
- The funeral is taking place in the poet's _____.
(a) senses (b) eyes (c) brain (d) body

Unit III: (Short Stories)

- The story 'Little Match Girl' takes place on the eve of _____.
(a) Christmas (b) New Year (c) Easter (d) Diwali
- The little girl was scared to face her _____.
(a) Father (b) Mother (c) Sister (d) Brother
- The little girl and her grandmother were with _____.
(a) Satan (b) God (c) Their Family (d) Policeman
- 'Angel in Disguise' deals with the theme of _____.
(a) Power of Love (b) Power of Hatred (c) Misery of Poverty (d) Power of Honesty
- The villagers suggested Maggie to be taken to a _____.
(a) Poor house (b) Manor Farm (c) Orphanage (d) Cathedral

Unit IV: (Drama)

- The story of '*The Glass Menagerie*' is narrated from the memory of _____.
(a) Amanda Wingfield (b) Laura Wingfield (c) Tom Wingfield (d) Jim O'Connor
- _____ always lives in her own world of illusions.
(a) Tom (b) Amanda (c) Laura (d) Connor
- Jim O'Connor used to call Laura as _____ roses.



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- (a) Red (b) White (c) Blue (d) Black
19. Tom assures his mother to bring a _____ for Laura.
(a) gentleman caller (b) doctor (c) beautician (d) coach
20. _____ is the gentleman caller.
(a) Tennessee Willaiams (b) Wingfield (c) Jim O'Connor (d) Pastor

Unit V: (Fiction)

21. Sethe with her daughter Denver lives in _____.
(a) Ohio (b) Alabama (c) Pennsylvania (d) California
22. Sethe married _____ at Sweet Home.
(a) Paul D (b) Paul A (c) Paul C (d) Halle
23. Sethe named her daughter Denver to _____ Amy Denver.
(a) punish (b) honour (c) ridicule (d) haunt
24. Sethe's second daughter was born in _____.
(a) a boat (b) at home (c) a hospital (d) a park
25. The scars on Sethe's back resemble a _____.
(a) tree (b) bird (c) ghost (d) devil

Section B (7 mark Questions)

Unit I: (Prose)

26. Write a short note on the Symbolic References in 'The Battle of the Ants'
27. Describe the war atmosphere in 'The Battle of the Ants'.
28. What was the message conveyed by the writer to the mankind from the story of the ants.
29. Enumerate the significance of Gettysburg Speech.
30. What according to Lincoln was the great task remaining before the Americans?

Unit II: (Poetry)

31. Describe the central theme of the poem 'West-Running Brook'.
32. Describe the central theme of the poem 'On the Beach at Night Alone'.
33. How do the Hungarians enjoy their life?
34. What are the symbols used in 'I Felt a Funeral in My Brain'?
35. How does Emerson portray the qualities of Brahma?

Unit III: (Short Stories)

36. Sketch the character of the little match girl?
37. What do the little match girl's matchsticks symbolize?
38. What role does poverty play in the short story 'The Little Match Girl'?
39. Sketch the character of Maggie?
40. What is the theme of the story 'Angel in Disguise'?

Unit IV: (Drama)

41. Describe the pathetic condition of Laura and Amanda.
42. What is the philosophy of the play, *The Glass Menagerie*?
43. Write a note on the significance of the Unicorn.
44. Comment on the use of symbols in the play *The Glass Menagerie*.
45. Write a short note on Mr. Wingfield.

Unit V: (Fiction)



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46. Write a short note on the mother-daughter relationship as portrayed in *Beloved*.
47. Discuss the psychological impact of slavery in *Beloved*.
48. Bring out the symbolic significance of trees in *Beloved*.
49. Sketch the character of Sethe.
50. Examine Morrison's treatment of the supernatural in her novel, *Beloved*

Section C (10 mark Questions)

Unit I: (Prose)

51. Describe the Allegory of Animal and Human Warfare in 'The Battle of the Ants' by Thoreau.
52. Describe Lincoln's oratorical style and the historical importance of the Gettysburg Address.

Unit II: (Poetry)

53. Attempt a critical Appreciation of the poem 'West- Running Brook'.
54. How does Emerson portray his philosophical views in the poem 'Brahma'?

Unit III: (Short Stories)

55. Discuss the conflict in the story, 'An Angel in Disguise'.
56. What is the significance of the short story 'The Little Match Girl'?

Unit IV: (Drama)

57. Attempt a critical appreciation of *The Glass Menagerie*.
58. Comment on the title of the play *The Glass Menagerie*.

Unit V: (Fiction)

59. How does Toni Morrison explore the physical, emotional and spiritual devastation wrought by slavery in her novel, *Beloved*.
60. Bring out the themes of Toni Morrison's novel, *Beloved*.