

2022

M.A.

4th Semester Examination (CCAIE)

ENGLISH

PAPER—ENG-401

AMERICAN LITERATURE

Full Marks : 50

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.

1. Answer any *two* questions.

2×8

(a) Assess the role of Manolin in *The Old Man and the Sea*.

(Turn Over)

- (b) How does Miller depict the father-son relationship in *Death of a Salesman*?
- (c) "Frost's poems are deceptively simple". Discuss with reference to the poems you have read.
- (d) Write a note on Sylvia Plath's handling of myth and imagery in "Lady Lazarus".

2. Comment on any four questions.

4×4

(a) "I wish I had the boy."

(b) The significance of the phrase "well liked" in *Death of a Salesman*.

(c) The importance of flute music in *Death of a Salesman*.

(d) "Dying / Is an art, like everything else."

(e) "Earth's the right place for love."

(f) "...black shoe / In which I have lived like a foot..."

3. Answer any *four* questions. 4×2

(a) What does 'la mar' mean? How does Santiago interpret it?

(b) What did Willy do with Ben's gift of the watch fob with a diamond?

(c) "...the jails are full of fearless characters" -
- Who said so and why?

(d) What is referred to as 'A Miracle!' by the speaker in "Lady Lazarus"?

(e) Why does the speaker address 'Daddy' as 'panzer-man'?

- (f) "My little horse must think it queer" — Why does the speaker think so? What is "queer" in his behaviour?

[Internal Assessment – 10 Marks]
