B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION MARCH 2017 SEMESTER – 6: ENGLISH COPY EDITOR (CORE COURSE) COURSE: U6CRENG14: AMERICAN LITERATURE

(For Regular - 2014 Admission)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

Answer all questions in a word or sentence. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. The first man from Western Europe to write home about his adventures in the New World was.....

2. The unique medium which is neither a reality nor an art is

- 3. What does the ship symbolize in O Captain! My Captain!?
- 4. The fictional town created by E.A. Robinson is
- 5. Why did young Richard Rockwall stop the cab midway?
- 6. is a novel by Hawthorne which explores the theme of sin, repentance and morality.
- 7. The American poet who win the Pulitzer Prize four times
- 8. Emily Dickinson was known as
- 9. What is Roderick Usher's sister's name?
- 10. In which year does the Million Year Picnic take place?

PART B

Answer any eight questions in one or two sentence. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. Why do parents leave their children in front of the television?
- 12. What is the background of the poem "O Captain! My Captain!"?
- 13. Miniver "wept that he was ever born". Why?
- 14. For whom did the Fairy choose the gift and what was the gift?
- 15. Why was the young waiter feeling impatient with the customer?
- 16. Why does the narrator decide to go to the house of Roderick Usher?
- 17. Define dialect
- 18. How does the author describe the battle of the black ants and the red ants?
- 19. Why does the poet use repetitive lines in the poem, 'The Waking '?
- 20. What is the irony at the end of 'A Horseman in the Sky'?

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

PART C

Answer any five questions in 50 words. Each question carries 5 marks.

- 21. What does Spiller say about the natives whom the European encountered in the new continent?
- 22. What is Mrs. Mallard's reaction to the news of her husband's death? What do you understand about her from this?

- 23. How does television affect the mental and emotional development of children?
- 24. The theme of The Ball Poem.
- 25. Imagery used in the poem, "A Bird Came Down the Walk"
- 26. Describe the dead city of the Martians.
- 27. How do art and beauty connect us with God?

PART D

Answer any two questions in not less than 300 words. Each question carries 12 marks.

- 28. "Sorry, Wrong Number" is a look into the mind of a desperate and helpless woman. Illustrate.
- 29. How does Anthony Rockwall prove that money can be used to achieve even seemingly impossible things?
- 30. Do you think generation gap exists between the different generations? Substantiate with reference to "Never on A Wednesday".
- 31. The poem, "The Waking" deals with the mysterious cycle of our life- birth and decay, life and death. Substantiate. (12 x 2 = 24)

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