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ENGLISH (Honours)

ENG-309 COMMONWEALTH AND AMERICAN LITERATURE

Full Mark: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Answer any five of the following questions:

5x10 = 50

1. Comment on the use of food metaphor in the novel *The Edible Woman*.
2. “But man is not made for defeat. A man can be destroyed but not defeated.”
Examine this statement with reference to the character of Santiago in *The Old Man and the Sea*.
3. Critically assess the characters of George and Lennie in the novel *Of Mice and Men*.
4. Attempt a critical evaluation of the novel *Devil on the Cross* as a political fiction.
5. Achebe offers a revisionist perspective in the poem *An If of History*. Comment.
6. Discuss the themes of growth and transformation in Whitman’s poem “*Out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking*.”
7. Examine the poem “*Mending Wall*” as an exposition of opposing ideologies.
8. “Going away she is also coming.”
Discuss the themes of home and memory in the poem “*The Death of the Bird*” in the light of the given line.
9. Comment on the use of animal imagery with reference to any two poems in your course.
10. Critically analyse “*A Far Cry from Africa*” as a postcolonial poem.

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