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Time : Three hours Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

Answer any TEN questions.

1. Transcendentalism can be described using three essential principles. What are they?

2. When did Thoreau first move to Walden Pond and how long did he stay there?

3. What are the other titles previously given to the poem "Out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking"?

4. What is the main message of the Gettysburg Address by Abraham Lincoln?

5. What kind of poem is "Nature" which was written by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow?

6. Who are the protagonist and the antagonist in the story "The Cask of Amontillado"?

7. Write a short note on the character of Lawyer in "Bartleby the Scrivener".

8. Bring out the significance of the title "Pigeon Feathers".

9. What item in the governor's mansion shows Hester a distorted reflection of herself?

10. The letter "A" in The Scarlet Letter originally intended to mark Hester for her _____; as the time progresses, the meaning of the letter changed as _____.

11. Walt Whitman wrote _____ as a dedication to Abraham Lincoln. It is an _____ written on the death of Abraham Lincoln.

12. What did Dickinson express in her poem, "There is a certain slant of light"?

PART B — ($5 \times 5 = 25$ marks)

Answer any FIVE questions in 200 words each.

13. Write a short note on the American War of Independence.

14. What is the message of the poem "Brahma"?

15. Who is Luchesi?

16. What does Emerson say about prayers in Self-Reliance?

17. What are the main themes in The Scarlet Letter?

18. Discuss the role of the antagonist in The Scarlet Letter?

19. What are Dimmesdale's secret practices, that suggest about his feelings midway in The Scarlet Letter?

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions in 500 words each.

20. How are Puritan ethics, beliefs and practices revealed in The Scarlet Letter?

21. What are the major themes in Melville's Bartleby, the Scrivener? Explain.

22. The title of the sonnet "Nature" is simple and straightforward. Explain.

23. Give a detailed account of Transcendentalism in Literature.

24. Explain the life experience of Thoreau in "Where I Lived and What I lived for".

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