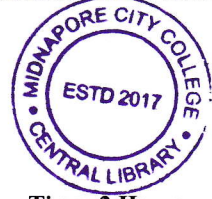


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M.A Semester- IV Examination, 2023
ENGLISH
PAPER: ENG 401
(AMERICAN LITERATURE)



Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

GROUP-A

- A. Answer any **FOUR** questions: 4×2=8
1. How did Captain Ahab die in *Moby Dick*?
 2. "I went too far."- Who said this and why?
 3. Who called Biff a 'poet' and why in *Death of a Salesman*?
 4. Why can't Tom leave his sister behind in *The Glass Menagerie*?
 5. What is the historical context of the poem "O Captain! My Captain!"?
 6. What is 'the inner dome of heaven' in the poem "Birches"?

GROUP-B

- B. Answer any **FOUR** questions: 4×4=16
1. The 'whiteness' of the whale in *Moby Dick*.
 2. The relationship between Santiago and Manolin as reflected in *The Old Man and the Sea*.
 3. The significance of the 'Boston incident' in *Death of a Salesman*.
 4. Symbolic function of the unicorn in *The Glass Menagerie*.
 5. "Earth's the right place for love".
 6. The symbolic significance of 'Lilacs' as reflected in Whitman's "When Lilacs Last in Dooryard Bloom'd".

GROUP-C

- C. Answer any **TWO** questions: 2×8=16
1. Critically comment on biblical elements in *Moby Dick*.
 2. Critically examine *The Old Man and the Sea* as a tragedy.
 3. Consider Tennessee William's *The Glass Menagerie* as an 'Expressionistic play'.
 4. How has Frost represented a contrast between tradition and modernity in the poem "Mending Wall"?
