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# FOURTH SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JUNE 2015

(CUCSS)

English

## EN 4E 28—AMERICAN ETHNIC WRITING

(2012 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

- I. Answer all the following questions, in a word, phrase or sentence:
  - 1 Which country does Joseph Asagai come from?
  - 2 Name the theoretical group Ed Bullins joined in Harlem.
  - 3 What was the name of the symphony that David Quixano wrote?
  - 4 What is the crime of Jim Trueblood?
  - 5 Who burns down Julius Karp's store?
  - 6 What is "Goh"?
  - 7 Why does Plath say that she may well be a Jew?
  - 8 Who is Denise in Response to Executive Order 9066?

 $(8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4 \text{ weightage})$ 

- II. Write a paragraph of about 150 words each on any six of the following:—
  - 9 American Multiculturalism.
  - 10 Black Art.
  - 11 Celebration of food in Good Grease.
  - 12 How according to Rushin, could she be useful?
  - 13 Examine how the poem Oranges escapes from being classified as chichéd.
  - 14 Comment on Kenney's use of the oral tradition in his poem.
  - 15 How does the description of the Younger's apartment contribute to the mood of the play?
  - 16 Who is A.T. Carpenter and what is his role in The Electronic Nigger?
  - 17 Write a brief note on Frank Alpine.
  - 18 What does the metaphor of the dolls mean in The Invisible Man?

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ weightage})$ 

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III. Write an essay of about 450 words each on any four of the following choosing at least one from each group:—

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### Section A

- 19 Explore how silence is both beauty and the self in Breaking Silence.
- 20 Compare and contrast the attitude of Glaney and Plath to fatherhood.
- 21 "Baraka's art expresses a profound solidarity with Black culture." Elucidate.

#### Section B

- 22 Justify the title A Raisin in the Sun.
- 23 "Dutchman is great example of protest drama." Discuss.
- 24 "Quixano looks forward to a society free of ethnic divisions and hatred rather than back to his traumatic past." How far is the statement true?

#### Section C

- 25 "Singer's *The Slave* might be a romantic love story, but it is as much about Jacob and Wanda as it is about Jacob and God." Discuss.
- 26 Examine Go Tell it on the Mountains as an indictment of a racist society.
- 27 Discuss Silko's use of Laguna words in Ceremony.

#### Section D

- 28 Write an essay on objective verse with special reference to the poems prescribed for study.
- 29 Write an essay on the Black Art Movement.
- 30 "The Native American tradition of story telling is profoundly traditional and communal." Examine.

 $(4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ weightage})$