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Backlog Arrear Examination, March 2021

ENG/ ENS 2562/1456/2572

American Literature

Marks: 75 marks

L Answer any **FIVE** of the following in about 350 words each (5x15=75)

1. Explore the parallels between 'The Raven' and Edger Allan Poe's own life.
2. Analyse how death is personified in Emily Dickenson's 'Because I could not stop for death'.
3. Elaborate on Frost's dramatic style in 'Home Burial'.
4. Trace how Cummings experiments with punctuation, spelling and syntax in 'Buffalo Bills'.
5. Substantiate Eugene O' Neill's *The Hairy Ape* as a modern tragedy.
6. Explain how William Faulkner makes an argument using rhetoric and poetic language in his 'Nobel Prize Acceptance Speech'.
7. Discuss Tennessee Williams' *The Glass Menagerie* as a Kaleidoscope of fluctuating memories.