

English Literature

Note: You must answer all questions in English.

I. Identification. Name what is described in each of the questions. (20%)

1. The founder of the modern English novel
2. The first important expression of feminism in English
3. The manifesto of English Romantic poetry
4. The greatest verse autobiography in English
5. Three greatest Romantic essayists
6. Two great early-nineteenth-century novelists
7. The author of *Gulliver's Travels*
8. The inventor of "sprung rhythm"
9. A master of the Drama of Ideas in the early 20th century
10. The author of "Heart of Darkness"

II. Write a cogent essay on each of the following questions: (40%)

1. Both Edmund Spenser, in the 16th century, and John Milton, in the 17th century, believed that poetry was spiritual instruction. Write a summary of one representative work by each poet, identify its poetic type, and discuss what spiritual instruction is conveyed in it. (20%)
2. Discuss three 20th-century British writers whose works feature mythological motifs and then draw a conclusion from your discussion. (20%)

American Literature

Write a cogent essay on each of the following questions: 40%

3. Substitute for Hemingway's pronouncement that "All American literature begins with a book called Huckleberry Finn" **ONE** of the following statements and write a cogent essay explaining why you think so. (20%)
"All American literature begins with a poem called 'Song of Myself.'"
"All American literature begins with a novel called Sister Carrie."
"All American literature begins with an essay called 'Nature.'"

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4. The American experience has been dealt with in a variety of ways by American writers of various eras. Cooper, for example, emphasized one aspect of it; Whitman, another; Dickinson, a third and very different one. Choose any **TWO** of the following authors, and for each of the two write a coherent essay in which you explore some significant aspects of the American experiences as seen in his thought and work. (20%)

Edgar Allan Poe

Nathaniel Hawthorne

Herman Melville

Henry James

William Carols Williams

Mark Twain