

Question Bank for SYBA English ,American Literature -Paper VI

Question Bank for Assignment

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| Semester | IV |
| Class | SYBA |
| Name of the Department | ENGLISH |
| Paper no. | VI |
| Title of the Paper | American Literature |
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Unit I. Write short notes on the following terms :

- i. American Dream
- ii. Confessional Poetry
- iii. Expressionism in American Drama
- iv. African American Poetry of the 20th century
- v. Broadway and Off Broadway Theatre

Unit II – Arthur Miller: *Death of a Salesman*

- Q1. Discuss Arthur Miller's *Death of a Salesman* as a modern tragedy.
- Q2. Elaborate upon major thematic concerns in *Death of a Salesman*.
- Q3. How does *Death of a Salesman* bring out the ironies of American Dream.
- Q4. What are the factors contributing to Willy Loman's tragedy?
- Q5. Write short notes on: (a) Linda (b) Happy (c) Biff

Unit III – Poetry

1. With reference to the poems prescribed for study how can one consider Sylvia Plath as a Confessional poet.
2. What are the major elements, images and style of Plath's poems? Discuss with reference to the poems prescribed for study.
3. 'The poetry of Sylvia Plath is intense, deeply personal and quite disturbing'. Do you agree with this statement ,explain with the poems prescribed for study.

4. With reference to the poems prescribed for study consider Langston Hughes's as the poet of the people.

5. How does Langston Hughes's engage with American history in his work, explain with reference to the poems prescribed for study.
