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DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

INTERNAL TEST (Academic Year 2023-24)

Name of the Course : **BA (H) English** Semester: 4
Name of the Paper : **American Literature** Faculty Name : Dr L. Gitarani Devi
Duration : 50 mins Maximum Marks: 12
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Attempt any ONE question. Total Marks: 12. Word Limit: Min 700 words each

1. 'Anything dead coming back to life hurts.' Discuss how Toni Morrison explores remembering and forgetting with reference to this statement.
2. How does Toni Morrison portray the dehumanizing effects of slavery in *Beloved*?
3. Toni Morrison attempts a historical recovery of African American past by engaging with slave memories. Discuss.
4. "The reliance on oral narratives become inevitable in the context of a community which has not scripted history to help it come to terms with its own past." Discuss with reference to *Beloved*.
5. "Not a house in the country aren't packed to its rafters with some dead negroes grief." In *Beloved*, Toni Morrison presents America as a territory haunted by the ghosts of slavery and exhorts Africa-American contemporaries to come to terms with their slave past, which they very often seek to shun. Discuss



