

**MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME
IN ENGLISH**

Term-End Examination

December, 2022

MEG-06 : AMERICAN LITERATURE

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : *Question no. 1 is compulsory. Attempt five questions in all in about 500 words each. All questions carry equal marks.*

1. Critically evaluate the features of Puritanism as demonstrated in American literature. 20
2. 'The meanings' embedded in the classic *The Scarlet Letter* have changed with time. Elucidate. 20
3. Elaborate on the major shifts in both, content and form, in American Prose-writing after the American Civil War. 20

4. Discuss in detail the closely interlinked relationship between man and nature as brought out in the poem 'Mending Wall'. 20
 5. Bring out a detailed overview of feminist perspectives as reflected in 'Snapshots of a Daughter-in-law'. 20
 6. *The Hairy Ape* reveals a sense of 'disharmony between man's primitive pride and his individualism'. Elaborate. 20
 7. Write a critical assessment of revolutionary prose in America. 20
 8. Comment on the distinct features of Whitman's poetry based on examples from the poems prescribed in the course. 20
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