

**MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME
IN ENGLISH**

Term-End Examination

06486

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MEG-6 : AMERICAN LITERATURE

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Attempt five questions in all. Question no. 1 is compulsory. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Write a critical note on the ideology of Puritanism as reflected in American literature. 20
2. In O'Neill's *The Hairy Ape*, we notice "a disharmony between man's primitive pride and his individualism." Do you agree ? Give a reasoned answer. 20
3. A classic like *The Scarlet Letter* has been interpreted differently in different times. Discuss. 20

4. Discuss the use of humour as a tool of social criticism in *Huckleberry Finn*. 20
 5. 'Colour consciousness is a constant presence in Toni Morrison's *The Bluest Eye*.' Discuss. 20
 6. The poem '*Mending Wall*' projects a close link between man and nature. Discuss. 20
 7. "Snapshots of a Daughter-in-Law" makes a very important statement about Rich's feminism. Discuss. 20
 8. Analyse the rise and development of revolutionary prose in America. 20
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