

2023

(FYUGP)

(3rd Semester)

ENGLISH

(Major)

Paper Code: ENG/C-5

(American Literature)

Full Marks : 75

Pass Marks : 40%

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer the following questions : 15x5=75

1. (a) What is multiculturalism in literature, and how has it affected American Literature?

Or

(b) Write a note on the concept of American Dream. Bring out references from the prescribed texts.

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(Turn Over)

2. (a) Discuss Arthur Miller's play, *All My Sons* as a drama of family relationship.

Or

(b) Comment on the significance of the menagerie in the play, *The Glass Menagerie*.

Or

3. (a) The story, *The Bluest Eye* is about the child's view of the problems of racism, poverty, incest and the inability to love. Elucidate.

Or

(b) Discuss the significance of the title, *The Bluest Eye*.

4. (a) Critically discuss William Faulkner's *Dry September* as a critique of racism.

Or

(b) How does Maya Angelou's *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* address the theme of racial discrimination and its impact on personal identity and what lessons can we learn from her experiences?

5. (a) Write a critical appreciation of the poem, *O Captain! My Captain!* by Walt Whitman.

Or

(b) Critically analyze the themes, style and form of any two poems prescribed for you.
