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(6th Semester)

ENGLISH

(Honours)

Paper : Eng (H)–606 (a)

[American Literature (Fiction and Drama)]

Full Marks : 70
Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

1. (a) Write an essay on naturalism and realism in the modern American novel.

Or

- (b) Briefly trace the development of American drama.

2. (a) *The Bluest Eye* is the story of a black girl who wants blue eyes as a symbol of beauty and therefore of goodness and happiness. Discuss.

Or

- (b) Discuss the theme of Race and Racism in *The Bluest Eye*.

3. (a) Evaluate the theme of Love and War in *A Farewell to Arms*.

Or

- (b) Explain the significance of the title, *A Farewell to Arms*.

4. (a) Discuss *The Hairy Ape* as an expressionistic play.

Or

- (b) Comment on the main themes in *The Hairy Ape*.

5. (a) How is the American dream portrayed in *Death of a Salesman*?

Or

- (b) Is Willy Loman a tragic hero in *Death of a Salesman*? Substantiate your answer.

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