

## **MAEG 1005**

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JANUARY 2022.

First Year – Non Semester

English

AMERICAN LITERATURE

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

PART A — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer any FIVE out of Eight of the following questions.

1. What does Tom Sawyer's character represent?
2. Analyze the language of Robert Frost.
3. Sketch the character of Tom Joad.
4. Why does the narrator in "Invisible"?
5. How does Blanche's fascination with teenage boys relate to her fall and decline?
6. Define Elegy with appropriate examples.
7. Examine the two contrasting ideologies interwoven in the poem 'Sunday Morning'.
8. Why did the narrator choose to live in the woods in Walden?

PART B — (5 × 12 = 60 marks)

Answer any FIVE out of Eight of the following questions

9. Write a detailed note on satire and irony in 'My sweet old Etcetera'.
10. Critically analyze the concept of existentialism in the poems of Emily Dickinson.
11. Describe Emerson's perspectives on the fundamental relationship between nature and humanity.
12. Discuss the central idea of Jarrell's poem 'The woman at the Washington Zoo'.
13. Analyze the significance of scaffold scenes in 'The Scarlet Letter'.
14. Justify the title of the novel "A Farewell to Arms".
15. Discuss Miller's use of symbols and motifs in Death of a Salesman.
16. Racial discrimination and aspirations of women are the key note of 'A Raisin in the sun'-Substantiate.