

M.A. 3rd Semester
February – March 2023

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M.A. ENGLISH ENG-18303 CR
AMERICAN LITERATURE-I [NOVEL]

Max. Marks : 80
Min. Marks : 32

Time Allowed : 2.30 Hours

NOTE : Attempt all questions from Section A & B and any two questions from Section C:

SECTION : A [Very Short Answer type questions to be answered in about 20 words] [2x8=16]

1. a) Identify the source of *The Scarlet Letter*.
b) What is New England?
c) What do you understand by 'nigger'?
d) Why does Jim run away from Miss Watson's?
e) Name three novels written by Toni Morrison.
f) Who is Dill in *To Kill a Mocking Bird*?
g) What is 'coming-of-age story'?
h) What is mocking bird?

SECTION :B [Short Answer type questions to be answered in about 250 words] [8x4=32]

2. Discuss the significance of the scaffold scenes in *The Scarlet Letter*.
3. Discuss Mark Twain realistic portrayal of American slavery and racism in *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*.
4. Critically comment on Pecola's quest for blue eyes.
5. Examine Miss Maudie's relationship to the Finches and to the rest of Maycomb.

SECTION : C [Long Answer type Questions to be answered in about 500 words] [16x2=32]

6. Consider the relationship between Chillingworth and Dimmesdale. To what extent are they dependent upon one another? How does Hawthorne juxtapose these two characters with one another?
7. Discuss the techniques Mark Twain uses to create sympathy for his characters, in particular, Jim in *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. How far these techniques are effective?
8. Analyze the community of Maycomb. What does Harper Lee reveal to readers about this small town through the scenes taking place in the courtroom and outside on the streets?
9. How does Morrison present gender relations in *The Bluest Eye*? Are men and women's relationships generally portrayed positively or negatively? Support your answer with examples from the text.

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