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**MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN  
ENGLISH**

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2011**

**MEG-6 : AMERICAN LITERATURE**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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*Note : Attempt five questions in all. Question no. 1 is compulsory.*

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1. Discuss the emergence of clash between trading interests and puritanism in America in the seventeenth century. 20
2. Comment on the appropriateness of the title of Toni Morrison's novel *The Bluest Eye*. 20
3. Attempt a comparative reading of 'A Clean Well Lighted Place' and 'The Bear'. 20
4. Discuss *The Scarlet Letter* as a historical romance. 20

5. Death and immortality are two major themes in Emily Dickinson. Discuss this in the light of her poems you have read in the block. 20
  6. Walt Whitman's poem 'Song of Myself' reflects his youthful exuberance and hope. Discuss. 20
  7. Comment on the theme of Wallace Steven's poem 'The Emperor of Ice - Cream.' 20
  8. The prose of Henry James represents a reaction against the 'naturalistic' tendencies in literature. Discuss. 20
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