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BEGC-105

BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS)
ENGLISH
(BAEGH)

Term-End Examination

June, 2026

BEGC-105 : AMERICAN LITERATURE

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : *Attempt questions from all the three
Sections as directed.*

Section—A

Note : *Explain any **two** of the following with
reference to the context.* 2×10=20

1. Far or forgot to me is near

Shadow and sunlight are the same;

The vanquished gods to me appear

And one to me are shame and fame

2. Again Vasco de Gama sails forth,
Again the knowledge gained, the mariner's
compass,
Lands found and nations born, thou born
America,
For purpose vast, man's long probation fill'd.
Thou rondure of the world at last
accomplish'd.
3. Now, when I read, I read not,
For interrupting tears
Obliterate the etchings
Too costly for repairs.
4. Buffalo Bill opens a pawn shop on the
reservation right across the border from the
liquour store and he stays open 24 hours a
day, 7 days a week.

Section—B

Note : Answer any **four** of the following questions in about **300** words each.

4×10=40

5. Examine the theme of sin and punishment in *The Scarlet Letter*.
6. Analyse the character of Kate Keller in *All My Sons*.
7. Write a critical summary of the poem 'Hamatreya'.
8. Discuss the character of Mrs. Ebbeling in 'On the Gull's Road'.
9. How did modern American writers offer a critique of their society ?

Section—C

Note : Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **500** words each.

2×20=40

10. Discuss *All My Sons* as a tragedy.

11. Critically analyse the narrator of the short story 'After Twenty Years'.
12. Sherman Alexie's poetry explores various themes in the lives of Native Americans. Discuss with reference to the poetry prescribed in the course.

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