

This question paper contains 2 printed pages]

**YC—286—2024**

**FACULTY OF HUMANITIES**

**B.A. (Second Year) (Third Semester) EXAMINATION**

**NOVEMBER/DECEMBER, 2024**

**ENGLISH (Optional)**

**Paper—VI**

**(American Literature)**

**(Thursday, 12-12-2024)**

**Time : 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.**

---

*Time—2 Hours*

*Maximum Marks—50*

**N.B. :-** (i) All questions are compulsory.

(ii) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

1. Write a note on the theme of the poem 'Song of the Open Road'. 10

*Or*

Describe the concept of equality in the poem, 'I Too'.

2. Comment on the major themes in the short story 'To Build a Fire' ? 10

*Or*

Discuss in detail the humour in the story 'The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras Country'.

P.T.O.

3. Write a critical note on the essay 'The American Scholar'. 10

*Or*

Discuss in detail the three major influences on 'The American Scholar'.

4. Describe the major themes in the play 'All My Sons'. 10

*Or*

Critically appreciate the main ideas in the play 'All My Sons'.

5. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 10

- (i) American Revolution
- (ii) Period of Romanticism
- (iii) Naturalism
- (iv) Transcendentalism.