



# THE AMERICAN COLLEGE, MADURAI

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Re-accredited (2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle) by NAAC with Grade "A", CGPA – 3.46 on a 4-point scale

## Backlog Arrear Examination, March 2021

ENS 3675

FICTION III

Marks: 75 marks

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I. Answer any FIVE of the following in about 350 words each (5x15=75)

1. Comment on the inescapable power of fate, chance and destiny over individuals' lives with reference to the novel *Far from the Madding Crowd*.
2. Elucidate the hypocrisy of imperialism in Joseph Conrad's *Heart of Darkness*.
3. Discuss *Sons and Lovers* as a psychological novel. Explain how the relationship between Paul and his mother demonstrate the idea of Oedipus complex?
4. Elaborate on the various themes and symbols in Virginia Woolf's *To the Lighthouse*.
5. Explain the significance of Stream of Consciousness technique in *To the Lighthouse*.
6. How is *Animal Farm* a satire of autocracy and totalitarianism?
7. Orwell says "Absolute power corrupts absolutely." Justify this statement with appropriate instances from *Animal Farm*.