



GAB-237-238 Seat No. _____

B. A. (Sem. V) Examination

November / December - 2015

English

1. CC - 509 'A' : Introduction to American Literature

2. CC - 509 'B' : Introduction to Commonwealth Literature
(New Course)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Total Marks : 70

1. CC - 509 'A' : Introduction to American Literature (New Course)

Instructions :

- (1) All questions carry equal marks.
- (2) Indicate your options clearly.

1 (a) Evaluate Arthur Miller's play 'Death of a Salesman' 14
as a Psychological Play.

OR

(b) Comment on Arthur Miller's use of symbols in the play 'Death of a Salesman'.

2 (a) Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem 14
'The Road Not Taken'.

OR

(b) Give a thematic analysis of the poem 'The Emperor of Ice-cream'.

- 3 (a) Draw a character sketch of Catherine Barkley. 14

OR

- (b) Write a critical note on the plot-construction of the novel 'A Farewell to Arms'.

- 4 Show your acquaintance with the following : (any four) 14

- (i) The Great Gatsby
- (ii) The Good Earth
- (iii) The Old Man and the Sea
- (iv) Desire Under Elms
- (v) The American Scholar
- (vi) Walden

- 5 Answer in brief any seven of the following questions : 14

- (1) Which character in 'Death of a Salesman' becomes the victim of American dream ?
- (2) Name Willy and Linda's children.
- (3) Who is Charlie ?
- (4) What does less travelled road indicate ?
- (5) What does Ice cream symbolize in the poem 'The Emperor of Ice Cream'.
- (6) What type of poem is 'O Captain ! My Captain' ?
- (7) Who is a central female character in 'A Farewell to Arms' ?
- (8) Name the doctor in the novel 'A Farewell to Arms'.
- (9) What does rain symbolize in the novel 'A Farewell to Arms' ?
- (10) What is the moral lesson of the novel 'The Old Man and the Sea' ?
- (11) What is the central theme of the play 'Desire Under Elms' ?
- (12) Who wrote the novel 'The Sound and the Fury'.

**2. CC - 509 'B' : Introduction to
Commonwealth Literature (New Course)**

Instructions :

- (1) All questions carry equal marks.
- (2) Indicate your options clearly.

1 (a) Discuss the theme of The Lion and the Jewel. 14

OR

(b) Evaluate The Lion and the Jewel as a comic play.

2 (a) In Ice-Candy Man Bapsi Sidhwa discusses the 14
issue of violation of human rights and pathetic
conditions during the partition of India in 1947 –
Elaborate.

OR

(b) Draw a character sketch of Ice-Candy Man.

3 (a) Comment on the plot construction of the 14
novel Disgrace.

OR

(b) Through the character of David Lurie J.M. Coetzee
discusses the problems of sex, violence and racial
tensions prevalent in African society – Comment.

4 Show your acquaintance with any four of the 14
following writers :

- (i) Shashi Tharoor
- (ii) Patrick White
- (iii) Ben Okri
- (iv) Chinua Achebe
- (v) Rohinton Mistry
- (vi) Charles Mungoshi.

5 Answer in brief any seven of the following questions : 14

- (1) Why does David Lurie lose his job of a professor ?
- (2) Who is Lucy Lurie ? Where does she live ?
- (3) What does David Lurie come to know about his home on his return to Cape Town ?
- (4) Why does Sidi refuse to marry Lakunle ?
- (5) Who are the lion and the jewel in the play ?
- (6) Who is Sadiku ?
- (7) What name is given to Ayah Shanta after her marriage with Ice Candy Man ?
- (8) What change comes in Ice Candy Man ? Why ?
- (9) Who wrote the novel Such a Long Journey ?
- (10) In which year was Patrick White awarded the Nobel Prize ?
- (11) Give titles of any two great works of Chinua Achebe.
- (12) Which country Tahmima Anam belongs to ?