- 18. Justify the title of the play, All My Sons.
- 19. Sketch the character of Santiago.
- 20. Write an essay on the tragic end of the young man in *The Furnished Room*.

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## English

#### AMERICAN LITERATURE

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 75 marks

# SECTION A —(20 marks)

- I. Answer the following in about 30 words each :  $(10 \times 2 = 20)$
- 1. Why is Lincoln compared to the western star?
- 2. Write a note on the poem "Mending Wall".
- 3. How does Henry James' *The Art of Fiction* form a pretext?
- 4. What is the difference between a good and a bad novel?
- 5. Write a note on Joe in Arthur Miller's *All my Sons*.

- 6. Comment on Chris' views about the world.
- 7. Define the theme of the novel, The Old Man and the Sea.
- 8. In what way, the lion and the boy inspire Santiago?
- 9. Why does the young man search for his lady love?
- 10. Write a note on the concern of Doctor Burleigh towards Rosicky.

## SECTION B — (25 marks)

- II. Answer the following in about 100 words each:  $(5 \times 5 = 25)$
- 11. (a) Bring out Whitman's conceptions of the soul and the body.

Or

- (b) Discuss the use of symbols in *Mending Wall*.
- 12. (a) Write short notes on the rules laid down by Mr. Besant for writing a novel.

Or

(b) Bring out the ideas of Besant and James on 'Novel ought to be artistic'.

13. (a) Discuss the theme of family relationship in All My Sons.

Or

- (b) Consider All My Sons as a realistic play
- 14. (a) Describe the role played by Manolin.

Or

- (b) Discuss the theme of defeat and death in *The Old Man and the Sea*.
- 15. (a) Write short notes on the previous tenants of that room in *The Furnished Room*.

Or

(b) How are the country grave yard and the city cemeteries differentiated?

### SECTION C — (30 marks)

- III. Answer any THREE of the following in about 200 words each:  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$
- 16. Attempt a critical appreciation on Whitman's When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloomed.
- 17. Examine James' *The Art of Fiction* as a manifesto of critical views about the nature of Fiction.

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