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ENGLISH (COMMUNICATION SKILLS)

**B.A. Part-III (Semester-V)
(For Session 2019-2020, 2020-21 & 2021-22)**

One paper of 100 marks to be attempted in three hours.

(Six periods per week)

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Internal Assessment: 25
Pass Marks : 35%
Time : 3 Hours

COURSE CONTENT

One Literary Text
Composition

TEXT PRESCRIBED

All My Sons by Arthur Miller. Edited by Nissim Ezekiel. Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1972. 33rd impression, 2005.

TEXT FOR SUGGESTED READING

Composition & Writing Skills (Orient Black Swan 2016)

UNIT-I

- Q.1. One essay-type question with internal alternative dealing with theme, incident, character, summary of an act or plot structure in 200-250 words from *All My Sons*.
12 marks
- Q.2. One essay of 300-350 words to be attempted out of the given four topics which may be imaginative, reflective, descriptive or of current interest. 11 marks

UNIT-II

- Q.3. Make a Précis of a given passage comprising about 150 words. 11 marks
- Q.4. One letter with an internal alternative to be written in about 200 words. The choice shall be between personal, business or official letters. Correct salutation shall be given credit. 11 marks

UNIT-III

- Q.5 Ten short-answer questions to be attempted out of the given twelve from the prescribed text *All My Sons*. Each question shall carry 3 marks. 10x3=30 marks

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BOOKS PRESCRIBED

I. *Selected College Poems* (Orient Longman). Edited by Ambika Sengupta. The following poems from this book are prescribed:

- (i) All the World's A Stage
- (ii) Kubla Khan
- (iii) Ode to the West Wind
- (iv) La Belle Dame Sans Merci
- (v) Ulysses
- (vi) My Last Duchess
- (vii) Say not the Struggle not Avail
- (viii) Nightingales
- (ix) A Prayer for My Daughter
- (x) Kingfisher
- (xi) The Road not Taken
- (xii) Journey of the Magi
- (xiii) The Unknown Citizen
- (xiv) Night of the Scorpion
- (xv) Punishment in Kindergarten

II. *Composition & Writing Skills* (Orient BlackSwan 2016)

TESTING

UNIT-I

Q. 1. One essay-type question with internal choice on theme or central idea from the prescribed poems in *Selected College Poems*.

12 marks

Q. 2. Two stanzas out of the given three from the prescribed poems in *Selected College Poems* to be explained with reference to context. (5.5+5.5) = 11 marks

UNIT-II

Q. 3. Development of Story: This is a piece of guided composition. Candidates shall develop a story from a given outline of 3-4 lines. The outline shall consist of brief hints regarding the beginning, middle and end of the story. The length of the story shall be of 200-250 words. The following may be regarded as a sample outline:

Two friends were pedalling along the roadside...Discussing future plans...better prospects in Information Technology...comparisons between Government and Private Sector jobs...

King Amarashakti ... South India ... three sons ... lazy and foolish... King turned to ...ministers for advice... sons not ready to learn... Vishnu Sharma wise old sage... living in forest...sent... for... took princes to forest - told them tales... Panchatantra... six months later... princes full of wisdom
11 marks

- Q.4 Students shall be asked to write a job application (**4 marks**) along with a Curriculum Vitae (C.V.) (**7 marks**) containing a brief account of one's qualifications, previous experience, hobbies and expertise for a particular job, etc.
4+7=11marks

UNIT-III

- Q. 5. Ten short-answer questions out of the given twelve to be attempted from the prescribed poems in *Selected College Poems*. Each question shall carry 3 marks.
10x3=30 marks