

TIME : 2 Hrs.

MARKS : 60

Note :

- 1) All questions are compulsory.
- 2) Figures to the right indicate marks.

Q.1. 'John Steibeck's writing talent is in his use of characterisation.'
Comment. (15)

OR

Q. 1. 'A Grain of Wheat, a novel by Ngugi Wa Thiong'o, was a turning point in the formal and ideological direction of his works. Elaborate.

Q. 2. Explain why Virginia Woolf is considered to be one of the greatest innovators in the English language. (15)

OR

Q.2. 'Julio Cortázar is considered to have enlarged literary tradition with a consistent inventiveness of style, language and theme.' Elaborate the statement.

Q.3. 'The poems of Imtiaz Dharker are imagistic, questioning and richly textured poems.' Comment. (15)

OR

Q.3. 'R. K. Narayan's works brought out the humour and energy of ordinary life while displaying compassionate humanism.' Discuss.

Q.4. 'Vijay Tendulkar received both bouquets and brickbats in a playwriting career that has spanned five decades.' Elaborate. (15)

OR

Q.4. 'Premchand introduced realism in his writings and wrote of the life around him. Discuss. (15)

