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[100 marks]

Write your name and index number in the spaces provided at the top right-hand corner of this paper.

Answer four questions in all: one question from each section.

Credit will be given for answers written in good English.

All questions carry equal marks.

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SECTION A

AFRICAN DRAMA

Answer one question only from this section.

ATHOL FUGARD: Sizwe Bansi is Dead.

- 1. Examine the view that life is meaningless for the blacks in South Africa.
- 2. Discuss two dramatic techniques in the play.

JOE DE GRAFT: Sons and Daughters

- 3. Discuss the character and the role of Aunt Fosuwa in the play.
- 4. Discuss the conflict between the two youngest children and their father in the play.

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SECTION B NON-AFRICAN DRAMA

Answer one question only from this section.

NIKOLAI GOGOL: The Government Inspector

- 5. Discuss the significance of the encounter between the protesters and Hlestakov in the Mayor's house.
- 6. Examine the character of the Postmaster and his contribution to the play.

ROBERT BOLT: A Man For All Seasons.

- 7. Discuss the decline of values in the play.
- 8. Discuss the theme of friendship and betrayal in the play.

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SECTION C

AFRICAN POETRY

Answer one question only from this section.

- 9. Discuss contrast as a poetic device in "In the navel of the soul."
- 10. How does Rubadiri use language to portray the effects of the storm in "An African Thunderstorm"?

SECTION D

Non-African Poetry

Answer one question only from this section.

- 11. What is the poet's attitude to affliction in "On His Blindness"?
- 12. Discuss the theme of change in Yeat's "The Second Coming."