

**PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)**

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) How does Albeto Urrea portray the sufferings of the people in border lands in his preface.  
Or  
(b) Explain your understanding about the book "Across the wire" by reading the author's preface alone.
17. (a) Explain the paradoxical description of the poem "The Concrete River"  
Or  
(b) Explain the narrative techniques employed by the author in "I am Offering this Poem"
18. (a) Elucidate the socio-economic status of the Mexican – Americans as exemplified in the short stories of Francisco Jimenez.  
Or  
(b) Explain the circumstances leading the Mexican citizens to cross the border.
19. (a) Bring out the autobiographical elements in the novel "Bless Me Ultima"  
Or  
(b) Identify the different manifestations of cultural conflict in "Bless Me Ultima"
20. (a) The play "Zoot Suit" reflects the cultural clash of two ethnic groups – Elucidate.  
Or  
(b) Discuss the relationship between Henry and Della and compare it to that of Henry and Alice.

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**CHICANO LITERATURE**

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

**PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)**

Answer ALL the questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. It is not Luis Alberto Urrea's aim to offer religious \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) Faith (b) Believer  
(c) Homilies (d) Principles
2. Luis Alberto Urrea said "The Reader gave me the opportunity to disseminate these dark secrets to hundreds of thousands of people in \_\_\_\_\_"  
(a) New Mexico (b) Colorado  
(c) Utah (d) California
3. The Cloud was the rain rolling off the waxy leaves of a \_\_\_\_\_ tree  
(a) Magnolia (b) Margosa  
(c) Olive (d) Mango



4. Where do Barrio women sell hamburgers and tacos at?
  - (a) L and G Burger Stand
  - (b) P and G Bus Stand
  - (c) P and G Burger Stand
  - (d) P and T Burger Stand
5. What is 'La frontera'?
  - (a) Favorite dish of Mexicans
  - (b) The US – Mexican border
  - (c) Mexican American War
  - (d) Spanish-Mexican culture
6. What does "Mi olla" mean?
  - (a) My book
  - (b) My watch
  - (c) My pot
  - (d) My pet
7. What pet did Ultima bring with her?
  - (a) A cat
  - (b) A dog
  - (c) A goat
  - (d) An owl
8. Maria aspires to make her son Antonio ———
  - (a) A priest
  - (b) A soldier
  - (c) An exorcist
  - (d) A political leader
9. Who is El Pachuco?
  - (a) The Main character
  - (b) The Chorus
  - (c) The Star of the play
  - (d) The narrator
10. Where does the birthday party take place in "Zoot Suit"?
  - (a) At George's ranch
  - (b) At Willlian's ranch
  - (c) At Cotton hills
  - (d) At New Mexico

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**PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)**

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) What is the author's view on Missionaries?  
Or  
(b) Describe the plight of the migrant labourers as explained in the preface to the "Across the Wire"?
12. (a) Describe the use of metaphors in the poem "Cloud"?  
Or  
(b) Describe how the physical and emotional needs are focused in the poem "I am Offering this Poem"
13. (a) Write a short note on the narrator's experience at school as described in the short story "The Circuit"  
Or  
(b) Describe how the family's poverty affects the overall well – being of its members in "Christmas Gift".
14. (a) How does Ultima save Luca's life?  
Or  
(b) Sketch the character of Antonio.
15. (a) Describe the character El Pachuco.  
Or  
(b) Describe the theme of the play "Zoot Suit"

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