

PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NORTHERN PROVINCE



APPRECIATION OF ENGLISH LITERARY TEXTS- [46-E] GCE O/L- 2022

GCE O/L- 2022 Second Term Examination - 2022

Grade: - 11	Time – 03 Hours	Index Number
	Part-1	
 Section –A- Answer all questions. Read the following extracts and ans 	wer the questions given below each ex	tract.
"The caged bird sings With fearful trill Of the things unknown"		
a. Name the work from which these	lines are taken. Who wrote them?	
b. What does the caged bird sing abo	out?	
c. Who are implied by the term 'Cag		
d. What does the poet wish to conve	y through these lines?	
2. "As a stout man, sweating with fear, beneath the bo-tree in a shower of s		
a. Name the work that carries these	lines. Name the writer.	
b. Who is referred to as 'a stout man	n'?	
c. What caused this kind of violence	?	

3. "Bitter, bitter was the pain, and wilder and wilder grew her song for she sang of the Love that is perfected by Death, of the Love that dies not in the tomb" a. What is the source of this extract? Who wrote them? b. Who is referred to as 'she'? c. What action is being performed by 'she'? d. What aspect of love is reflected in these lines?
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4. "It will be a glorious afternoon for racing about over those beautiful sands. How they will enjoy themselves!" a. In which work do these lines appear? Who is the author?
b. Who is the speaker?
c. Who are referred to as "they" in this extract?
d. What is the intention of the speaker here?
5. "You do love her, don't you? Well, then why not save up money for her by selling the cloth?"
a. From where are these lines taken? Who wrote them?
b. Name the speaker.
c. Who are referred to as 'You ' and 'her'?
e. Who are referred to as 1 our and ner :

d. According to your understanding what qualities of the speaker are reflected here?
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6. "This best of men shamelessly deceived me at every step! After his death I found in his desk a whole drawer full of love letters"
a. Where do you find these lines? Who is the writer?
b. Who is the speaker?
c. Who is the person speaking to?
d. Explain the characteristics of the person mentioned by the speaker.
$(6 \times 5 = 30)$
Section –B - Answer questions in either (a), (b) or (c).
Either
a. The Prince and the Pauper.
(a) Read the following and answer the questions given below.
He only begged just enough to save himself, for the laws against mendicancy were stringent, and the penalties
heavy; so he put in a good deal of his time listening to good Father Andrew's charming old tales and legends
about giants and fairies, dwarfs and genii, and enchanted castles, and gorgeous kings and princes. His head
grew to be full of these wonderful things, and many a night as he lay in the dark on his scant and offensive
straw, tired, hungry, and smarting from a thrashing, he unleashed his imagination and soon forgot his aches and
pains in delicious picturing to himself of the charmed life of a petted prince in a regal palace. One desire came

in time to haunt him day and night: it was to see a real prince, with his own eyes. He spoke of of his Offal Court comrades ; but they jeered him and scoffed him so unmercifully that he was dream to himself after that.	
i. What is the situation described here?	(02 marks)
ii. What is he dreaming about?	(02 marks)
iii. Explain the meaning of these words:	
(a) Dwarfs:	
(b) Comrades:	(02 marks)
iv. Comment on the life style that the protagonist of the novel is spending in this passage?	(04 marks)
or	••••••
b. Bringing Tony Home	
(b) Read the following and answer the questions given below.	
"Mother having put little sister to sleep came out and stood in the doorway and said something	to the effect that
it would help her if father finished his dinner now. Father stood up in response and before pro	ceeding into the
little hall for his dinner passed his final judgment and closed the case; he said that Tony was a	most ungrateful
animal to have run away like that after I went through all that trouble to bring him home, and	it is best that
I forgot that wretched dog.	
That night I couldn't sleep because the frogs kept croaking. I felt as if there were millions of	of them now and
they were not only croaking but braying, neighing, roaring and trumpeting."	

i. What is the situation described in the above extract? Where does it take place?	(2 marks)
ii. What did the mother do before she stood near the doorway?	(2 marks)
iii. Write the meanings of the following in your words.(a) wretched	
(b)ungrateful -	(2 marks)
iv. What does the father's final judgment reveal?	(4 marks)
(c) The Vendor of Sweets.	
(c) Read the following and answer the questions given below.	
"I did it with a blade, under the very nose of the librarian." The boy said with a hint of laughter be the right thing to do?" Jagan asked puzzled. "Of course, how else could I get the coupon?" producing it from within the pages of a small pocket diary. Jagan said, looking at it, "If this is you could have bought a copy for four Annas or as many copies as you needed ". "That anyon boy said and added mysteriously. "I have always wanted to teach that librarian a lesson."	the boy asked, s from Vikatan
i. What is the situation referred in the extract? When does it take place.?	(2 marks)
ii. What did the boy do in the library?	(2 marks)

iii. Write the meanings of the following in your words
(a) puzzled
(b) teach that librarian a lesson
iv. What impression do you get about both speakers from this extract. (4 marks)
PART-2
POETRY
(Answer any one question.)
3. Discuss how the elements of nature are handled by the poet vividly and successfully in the poem "A Bird
Came Down the Walk'.
4. The poem 'Breakfast' simply expresses a common, ordinary day to day incident but containing a deep
Message to the readers.
5. Which poem is the most appropriate poem to illustrate the theme Society? Justify your answer drawing
evidences from the poem you selected.
6. How far the literary devices used in the poem 'The Clown's Wife' collaborate with its major theme.
7. Social misfits are highly criticized in the poem 'Upside -Down'. What is your opinion about this
Statement. Comment.
$(1 \times 15 = 15 \text{ marks})$
PROSE
(Answer one question only)
8. Show how far the writer is successful in handling Humanization in the short story 'The Nightingale and the
Rose'?
9. The one who really enjoys the most in the Short story 'The Lumber room 'is Nicholas. Do you agree with this
Statement? Support your answer.

10. How far do you see patriotism of Kumar Sangakkara in his lecture? Discuss drawing examples from 'The
Lahore Attack'.
11. Discuss how Sonali exhibits human nature at a crisis in the extract 'Wave'.
$(1 \times 15 = 15 \text{ marks})$
Drama
(Answer one question only)
12. Anton Chekov presents the Russian society through the drama 'The Bear' in a realistic way. Do you agree
with this statement? Support your answer.
13. Portray how human beings become selfish and heartless when they become money-minded. Select the
drama 'Twilight of a Crane' using Yohyo as a representative for this statement.
$(1 \times 15 = 15 \text{ marks})$
Fiction
(Answer one question only)
14. Which character is more clearly presented in the novel 'Prince and the Pauper'? Is it the Prince or the Pauper?
Discuss using examples from the novel.
15. The image of Tony is intertwined throughout the novel 'Bringing Tony Home'. How far the author is
successful in bringing out this idea? Discuss.
16. Write an account of the role of Grace in the novel 'The Vendor of Sweets'
$(1 \times 15 = 15 \text{ marks})$