

**GREENLAWNS HIGH SCHOOL
FINAL EXAMINATION
2025-26**

**STD: VIII
SUBJECT: ENGLISH LITERATURE
DATE: 27.02.2026**

**MARKS: 80
TIME: 2 HOURS**

**SECTION I
MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS**

(10 MARKS)

Q.1) Choose the correct answers to the questions from the given options.

(Do not copy the questions. Only write the answer in the format - a. Shakespeare)

1. What character does Celia take as a disguise?

- a. Ganymede
- b. Clown
- c. Shepherd
- d. Aliena

2. Who is singing a song to Jacques in another part of the forest?

- a. Duke Senior
- b. Rosalind
- c. Touchstone
- d. Amiens

3. Which two characters appear in Act II : Scene 6 of ‘As You Like It’?

- a. Oliver and Duke Senior
- b. Orlando and Adam
- c. Oliver and Adam
- d. Oliver and Orlando

4. Which of the following statements is incorrect about the world-renowned nose?

- a. He was a cook.
- b. He was well-educated.
- c. His salary was collected by his mother.
- d. His nose grew slightly in length when he turned twenty-four years old.

- 5. Which of the five brothers climbed the tree to search for a pool or river in the chapter 'The Enchanted Pool'?**
- a. Arjun
 - b. Bhima
 - c. Nakula
 - d. Yudhisthira
- 6. Which two nouns does the poet describe as 'impostors' in the poem - 'If'?**
- a. Hate and love
 - b. Triumph and Disaster
 - c. Kindness and Greediness
 - d. Dreams and Hopes
- 7. Identify the Figure of Speech in the line - 'the air's like wine.'**
- a. Personification
 - b. Simile
 - c. Repetition
 - d. None of the above
- 8. Name the poet of the poem - 'If'.**
- a. Rudyard Kipling
 - b. T.S.Eliot
 - c. Robert Frost
 - d. John Masefield
- 9. What excuse did Swami give his father to avoid school?**
- a. He lost his books.
 - b. He got hurt on his knees.
 - c. He had a headache.
 - d. The school was closed.
- 10. Identify the meaning of the word - 'apprehensively' from the story 'Father's Help'.**
- a. happy
 - b. cheerful
 - c. stubborn
 - d. anxiously

SECTION II
SHAKESPEARE

(20 MARKS)

Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow:

- A) *Adam: Know you not, master, to some kind of men
Their graces serve them but as enemies?
No more do yours: your virtues, gentle master,
Are sanctified and holy traitors to you.
O, what a world is this, when what is comely
Envenoms him that bears it!*
- Orlando: Why, what's the matter?*
- Adam: O unhappy youth!* **(10)**

1. Who is Adam? Where are Adam and Orlando? Who is the enemy of Orlando's grace? **(3)**
2. Explain in your own words the meaning of the following lines -
*O, what a world is this, when what is comely
Envenoms him that bears it!* **(1)**
3. What warning does Adam give Orlando immediately after this extract? **(4)**
4. Briefly mention how does Adam offer to help Orlando in difficult times. **(2)**

- B) *Duke Senior: Thou seest we are not all alone unhappy:
This wide and universal theatre* **(10)**

Q.1)

- a) What is compared to the universal theatre? **(1)**
- b) To what is the universal theatre also referring? **(1)**
- c) What does the universal theatre present? **(2)**

Q.2)

- a) According to Jacques, how many stages are there in a man's life? **(½)**
- b) What is the second stage in a man's life as described by Jacques? Elaborate on it. **(3)**

Q.3) Whom does the Duke Senior request to sing? What does this individual have to say about friendship and love through his singing? **(2½)**

SECTION III
PROSE

(20 MARKS)

Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow:

A) *First of all, it was the Government that made an attempt to capture the long-nosed one. They tried a confidence trick.* **(10)**

1. Which confidence trick was tried by the Government to capture the long-nosed one? **(1)**
2. Describe in brief the statement given by one of the secretaries of the long-nosed one against him. **(2)**
3. What brief announcement did the President make after the people had forgotten everything about the arrest of the long-nosed one? **(4)**
4. Describe the experiment conducted to prove that the long-nosed one's nose is genuine. **(3)**

B) *'Your brothers died because they did not heed my words. Do not follow them. Answer my questions first, and then quench your thirst. This pool is mine.'* **(10)**

1. What is the answer of Yudhishtira to the question - '*Which is the biggest vessel?*' **(1)**
2. Explain the thoughts of Yudhishtira about happiness. **(1)**
3. What boon was given by the Yaksha to Yudhishtira after he answered all the questions correctly? **(2)**
4. How did Yudhishtira fulfil the responsibility associated with the boon he received? **(5)**
5. Why did Yama take the form of the deer and the Yaksha? **(1)**

SECTION IV

POETRY

(20 MARKS)

Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow:

A) *'Will ye not come home, brother? Ye have been long away,
It's April, and blossom time, and white is the may;
And bright is the sun, brother, and warm is the rain, —
Will ye not come home, brother, home to us again?'* (10)

1. Where does the west wind comes from? What emotions does the poet experience when it comes? (3)
2. Who is referred to as '**brother**' in the above extract? (1)
3. A) Where do the rabbits run? (1)
B) What is the west wind like for a man's soul and brain? (1)
4. Name the birds found in the west land. (1)
5. In what ways does the west wind serve as a comfort to bruised hearts and aching eyes? (2)
6. Identify the Figures of Speech in the following line - (1)

To the green grass, the cool grass, and rest for heart and head,

B) *Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:* (10)

1. What is the central idea of the poem? (2)
2. What do people tend to do when things go wrong? (3)
3. What advice is given about the dreams and thoughts in the poem? (2)
4. Which one word can be used to describe the line - 'Or being lied about, don't deal in lies'?' (1)
5. Explain the line: *With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,* (2)

SECTION V
RAPID READER

(10 MARKS)

Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

“They say that even the headmaster is afraid of him. He is such a violent man.”

1. Who is referred to as ‘him’ in the above extract? Explain how Swami gave a lurid account of ‘his’ violence after uttering these lines. **(4)**
2. What did Swami’s father propose to do after listening to the incident narrated by Swami? **(3)**
3. Why did Swami feel dizzy with confusion? **(2)**
4. What was Swami’s realisation upon approaching the yellow building of his school? **(1)**

***** ALL THE BEST *****