

**GREEN LAWNS HIGH SCHOOL  
FINAL EXAMINATION YEAR 2017-2018**

**SUBJECT: LITERATURE IN ENGLISH  
TIME: 2 HOURS**

**GRADE: VIII  
MARKS: 80**

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**SHAKESPEARE:**

Q1. Anthony: Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears, (16)  
I come to buy Caesar, not to praise him.

- a. What are the citizens waiting for? (1½)
- b. Where is Caesar's death recorded? What assurance about it does Brutus give to people? (2½)
- c. With what words does Brutus end his speech? (3½)
- d. What does Antony say to disarm his audience straightaway? Why? (1½)
- e. What comment does Antony make about Brutus's allegations? (2)
- f. What does Antony say about Brutus and the rest of the conspirators? How does he address them? (2)
- g. What does Antony show the people at the end of his speech? What is it? What feeling does it excite in the people? (2)
- h. What is the effect of Antony's statement that the stones would rise in mutiny? (1)

Q2. Cassius: There is my dagger, (16)  
And here my naked breast; within, a heart  
Dearer than Pluto's mine, richer than gold.

- a. Why is Cassius angry with Brutus? (3½)
- b. What advice does Cassius give to Brutus? (2)
- c. i) What does Brutus accuse Cassius of? (2½)  
ii) How does Cassius react to this? (2½)
- d. What warning does Cassius give to Brutus? (2)
- e. What remark does Brutus make to Cassius's warning? (2)
- f. What reason does Brutus give for Portia's death? (1)
- g. Which supernatural element is mentioned in this? (½)

**PROSE:**

Q3. Sherlock Holmes' landlady came to my house. She looked worried and explained: (8)  
'Holmes is dying, Dr. Watson.'

- a. Why was Watson horrified? What are the details given to him by the landlady? (2½)
- b. According to Watson, who would help Holmes with his problem? Why? (2)
- c. What was Watson interested in examining? (2)
- d. How did Holmes conceal his look? (1½)

Q4. Mr. Anderson said, 'Where's Jimmy, dear?'  
'Out on the crater,' said Mrs. Anderson. 'He'll be all right. Robutt is with him – did he arrive?' (8)

- a. Who would always accompany Jimmy? (½)
- b. By Earth standards, how was Jimmy different? (2)
- c. According to the grown-ups, what was Jimmy not allowed to do? (1½)
- d. Which 'little trick' did Jimmy never try again? (2)
- e. In the end, how does Jimmy react to Mr. Anderson's arguments? (2)

Q5. My dear wife Caroline and I are pleased to see him, if he drops in on us. But Carrie and I can manage to pass our evenings together without friends. (8)

- a. How does the author describe his new house? (2)
- b. Name the nosy neighbours of the author. (1)
- c. i) What was the author and his wife worried about? (1)  
ii) How does the landlord convince them? (1)
- d. What is the name of the author's son? What was his occupation? (1)
- e. What was the butcher's reaction when the author decided not to arrange with him? (1)
- f. What 'trifling matter' did the author need to take care of? (1)

### POEM

Q6. The poetry of earth is never dead:  
When all the birds are faint with the hot sun, (7)  
And hide in cooling trees, a voice will run.

- a. Which two insects are mentioned in this poem? (1)
- b. i) What effect does the summer have on the birds? (1)  
ii) What do they do then? (1)
- c. How does 'he' take the lead? (2)
- d. What makes the poet call the winter 'lone'? (1)
- e. Whose song is heard in the harsh winters? What does the song bring along with it? (1)

Q7. The well was dry beside the door,  
And so we went with pail and can. (7)

- a. Where did the children go with the pail and can? (1½)
- b. Why were the children happy to do the task? (1½)
- c. How does the poet describe the woods in the autumn? (1½)
- d. Which game do the children play in the woods? With whom do they play this game? (1)
- e. In the woods, after the game, the children become very quiet. Why? What is their reaction after it? (1)
- f. Name the poet. (½)

## RAPID READER

Q8. You have given them everything they wanted in cash, presents and style. They are good people.....” (5)

- a. Where was the marriage ceremony held? Why was it a ‘big affair’ there? (1)
- b. Why did Ramanujam tremble with fear? (2½)
- c. What bad news is received by Ramanujam? (½)
- d. What does Thanappa confess to Ramanujam? (1)

Q9. “To see Kumari!” sneered his friend. He hated Tamil pictures. “I won’t even pass that way.” (5)

- a. What simile is used by Sambhu to convince his friend to come and watch ‘Kumari’? (½)
- b. Why was Sambhu eagerly waiting for the picture to begin? (1)
- c. . Why did Mother feel that watching the film was an act of cruelty inflicted on her? (3½)