

**GREENLAWNS HIGH SCHOOL**  
**FINAL EXAMINATION YEAR 2020**

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

**CLASS : VIII**  
**MARKS : 80**

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SHAKESPEARE -30 MARKS

- I. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (10)  
Antony: But Brutus says he was ambitious;  
And Brutus is an honourable man.
- i. Why does Antony make the above statement? (1 ½)
  - ii. What three examples does Antony give to prove that Caesar was not ambitious? (4)
  - iii. What comment does Antony make about Brutus' allegation previously? (2)
  - iv. Who had given Antony permission to speak at Caesar's funeral?(1)
  - v. What did Mark Antony want to show the people of Rome?  
What was his intention while doing this? (1 ½)
- II. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (10)  
Cassius: There is my dagger,  
And here is my naked breast, within, a heart
- i. What does Cassius say about his heart? (3)
  - ii. What does Cassius say about Brutus' love for Caesar and for Cassius? (2)
  - iii. What promise does Brutus make if Cassius gets angry in future?(3)
  - iv. What does Cassius say to Brutus about their quarrel? (2)
- III. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (10)  
Cassius: Go, Pindarus, get higher on that hill;  
My sight was ever thick, regard Titinius,
- i. What does Cassius tell Pindarus after Titinius leaves? (2 ½)
  - ii. What information does Pindarus give Cassius? (4 ½)
  - iii. What does Cassius asks Pindarus to do after getting off the hill?  
How does he react? (2)
  - iii. Who enters the scene later? (1)

PROSE-(20MARKS)

- IV. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (10)  
'I wouldn't dare to upset her, but too restless. No repose. Good appearance too, till she made that idiotic change.'
- i. Who said these words and to whom? (1)
  - ii. Who is 'her' in the above extract? What was the idiotic change? (1 ½)
  - iii. Why was Philip looking ill after hearing about the change? (2 ½)
  - iv. Describe the two crests. (2 ½)
  - v. Why did the speaker become talkative? (2 ½)
- V. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (10)  
'About a week later, coming back from school one afternoon, I met him at the corner of Miguel Street.'
- i. Whom did the little boy meet after a week? What was this person's profession? (1)
  - ii. Why did the listener wait for the speaker at Miguel Street? (3)
  - iii. Where did the listener live? (1 ½)
  - iv. How did the mother treat the little boy once he reached home? How did the little boy react? (3)
  - v. What did the listener teach the little boy, that he remembers even till today? (1 ½)

POETRY-20 MARKS

- VI. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (10)  
'And hide in cooling trees, a voice will run  
From hedge to hedge about the new mown-mead,'
- i. What is the meaning of the line: 'The poetry of the earth is never dead.'? (3)
  - ii. Where do birds take rest in the hot summer days? Why? (1)
  - iii. Where does the grasshopper take rest when he is tired? (1)
  - iv. What do birds do in winter? Why? (1 ½)
  - v. Which **insect** breaks the silence of winter? How? (1 ½)
  - vi. Pick out the two figures of speech from the above lines. (2)

VII. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (10)

'It's a fine land, the west land, for hearts as tired as mine,  
Apple orchards blossoms there, and the air's like wine.

- i. a. The 'fine land' is referring to which country? (1)
- b. In what other ways do we get to know that the poet is tired? (1)
- c. What does the 'white road westward' signify? (1/2)
- ii. What are the thrushes doing in the daytime? (1 ½)
- iii. Why does the poet welcome the West wind? (2)
- iv. Find the figures of speech in the above line. (3)
- v. Name the poet. (1)

RAPID READER- 10 MARKS

VIII. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (10)

'At about 8:15 in the evening he arrived with a load of stuff. He looked as if he has four arms, so many things he carried about him.'

- i. Who is 'he' in the above extract? (1/2)
- ii. What were the equipments that he carried with him? (2 ½)
- iii. What assortment of edibles did he carry in his tray? (3)
- iv. What kind of customers did he get? (2)
- v. Why did his customers like him? (2)

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