

GREENLAWNS HIGH SCHOOL

ENGLISH LITERATURE FINAL EXAMINATION – 2023-24

Date: 20/2/2023

Class: VII

Time: 2 hours

Marks: 80

SECTION - I (PROSE)

I] Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (15)

‘I had picked the lane right next to Suvira who was running in lane four!’

Q1) How was the lane decided? Which lane did the narrator get? 1

Q2) Describe how the narrator warmed up before the run. 2

Q3) How did the narrator feel about the ‘not very auspicious start’? 2

Q4) Which two events was the narrator never able to conquer? 1

Q5) Why did the narrator feel that she had too much to prove and achieve? 4

Q6) How did the narrator position herself before the gun went off? 3

Q7) Write one word for the meanings given below: 2

a) pretending –

b) persuaded someone to gradually do or gently do something –

II] Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (15)

The wind fanned Binya’s cheeks. The umbrella stirred on the grass.

Q1) Who is the author of this story? 1

Q2) How did Binya get the blue umbrella? 1

Q3) To which places did Binya carry the blue umbrella? 3

Q4) Where did Binya lay on the warm and summery day? 1

Q5) How did the wind behave right before lifting the umbrella six feet from Binya? 3

Q6) Explain the line – ‘The wind was in a wicked and playful mood’. 3

Q7) Write one word for the meanings given below: 3

a) able to move quickly and easily –

b) feeling of a sharp stinging pain in any part of the body –

c) something that falls in stages down a steep rocky slope –

SECTION – II (POEM)

III] Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (12)

‘They sit and stare and stare and sit
Until they’re hypnotized by it.

- Q1) What else do the children do while gazing at the screen? 2
- Q2) Why do parents favour children watching the television? 2
- Q3) What are the evils of allowing children to watch television? 2
- Q4) What would you do if you were in the era before the invention of electronic devices? 2
- Q5) State and explain any one figure of speech in the lines above. 2
- Q6) Write one word for the meanings given below: 2
- a) strange and impressive –
 - b) not audible enough because something stops the sound from travelling easily –

IV] Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (13)

If you can bear to hear the truth you’ve spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build’em up with worn-out tools;

- Q1) How are fools trapped? 1
- Q2) What should the son do if all that he devoted his life to build was destroyed? 2
- Q3) Explain what the poet means by ‘worn-out tools’? 1
- Q4) According to the poet, who are the imposters? 1
- Q5) State and explain any one figure of speech in the lines above. 2
- Q6) What is the rhyme scheme of the poem? 1
- Q7) Name the poet of the poem. 1
- Q8) According to you, what do you think is the most important thing to do to lead a good life? 2
- Q9) Write one word for the meaning given below: 2
- a) dishonest people –
 - b) source of strength and power –

SECTION – III (RAPID READER)

V] Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (13)

“Why is there no ghee in the dal?”

Q1) How was Anandi’s new home different from the one she had grown up in? 2

Q2) Why was there no ghee in the dal? 2

Q3) What can a woman tolerate and not tolerate? 2

Q4) Who was Lal Behari’s wife? How did he treat his wife? 2

Q5) How did Anandi defend herself when Lal Behari hurled the kharaon? 2

Q6) Write one word for the meanings given below: 3

a) wealthy –

b) tough and bad mannered –

c) using money carefully and not wastefully –

VI] Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (12)

The aged thakur was aghast to see his quiet son so defiant.

Q1) Name the Thakur and the quiet son. 2

Q2) Write a character sketch on the quiet son. 2

Q3) Why did the quiet son say that injustice was rampant in the house? 3

Q4) How does one know that the younger brother respected the elder brother? 1

Q5) What did the elder brother do when the younger brother won a wrestling match? 1

Q6) Write one word for the meanings given below: 3

a) waiting nervously for something to happen –

b) filled with horror or shock –

c) say angry words in an argument –

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