

ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY, DEHRADUN
FIRST TERM EXAMINATION SEPTEMBER 2022-23

SUBJECT: ENGLISH LITERATURE

CLASS: VII

M.M.:70 TIME: 2 HOURS

SECTION-A [40 MARKS]

Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow:

- Q1. This utterly fragile, strange and magical ecosystem is geologically new and still evolving.
- a) Name the 'magical ecosystem'. Who had undertaken journey there? [2]
 - b) Mention any four birds that could be spotted in this magical ecosystem. [2]
 - c) Describe an episode which the narrator found to be 'Strange'. [3]
 - d) Which creature did the author see in the sky when the sun began to set? What did he decide to thereafter? [3]
- Q2. There was a sudden knock on the door and a strange hush fell on the people huddled inside.
- a) Who were 'the people' huddled inside? Name them. [2]
 - b) Where were 'they' at the moment? Why could they not leave that place? [2]
 - c) What did one of the persons suggest next and why? Identify this person. [3]
 - d) Who amongst the people huddled inside, was able to produce a bestseller? Who encouraged this person to do so? Why were people shocked? [3]
- Q3. He liked the large print and the photographs helped him to guess a word sometimes when couldn't quite make it out.
- a) Who does 'he' refer to? What was this person's relationship with the narrator? [2]
 - b) What request had 'he' made to the narrator earlier in the story and why? [2]
 - c) What was the narrator's reaction to the request made and why?
How did 'he' react to the narrator's reaction? [3]
 - d) What treasures did 'he' acquire at the jumble sale later, which improved his ability to guess a word in print? [3]
- Q4. In a wonderfully magnanimous gesture, they told me that they would continue to pay my salary into the bank wherever I might happen to be in the world, and for as long as the war lasted and I remained alive.
- a) Who does 'I' refer to? Where was he working at the moment? [2]
 - b) What journey did 'I' decide to undertake and why? [2]
 - c) Describe the wonderful sight he saw on the first day of his journey. [3]
 - d) When did 'I' finally reach his destination? What conversation did he have there? Elaborate. [3]

SECTION-B [20 MARKS]

Answer the following questions:-

- Q1. Give the summary of the poem 'Composed upon Westminster Bridge, September 3, 1802' in not more than 150 words. [5]
- Q2. In the story 'Dar es Salaam to Nainrobi', Who were the various African people the narrator met during his journey? [5]
- Q3. Why were the children in the poor house always hungry? [3]
- Q4. How did Oliver feel in the workshop? [3]
- Q5. When and where did Oliver meet Jack? [2]
- Q6. How did Charlotte differentiate between the two boys? [2]

SECTION-C [10 MARKS]

Q1. Give the meanings of the following words:

[10]

- (i) **Pipistrelle**
- (ii) **Majesty**
- (iii) **Garment**
- (iv) **Steep**
- (v) **Sinister**
- (vi) **Illustrious**
- (vii) **Magnanimous**
- (viii) **Languorous**
- (ix) **Savagery**
- (x) **Exhilaration**