

De Mazenod College – Kandana

Third Term Test – 2016

Grade -- 9

English Literature

Time 02 hours

Name :

Class :

Part – I

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(1) Answer all the questions.

- (i) "The free bird thinks of another breeze, and the trade winds soft through the sighing trees"
- From where are these lines taken? Who wrote them?
 - What is the idea given in the above two lines?
 - Who is referred to as "free bird"?
- (ii) "If he was told to turn to right
He turned to left out of spite"
- From where are the lines taken? Who wrote them?
 - Who is referred to as "he"?
 - What is the cause for him to turn to left?
- (iii) "The streets were very narrow, and crooked, and dirty, especially in the part where Tom Canty lived"
- From where are the lines taken? Who wrote them?
 - What is the environment described here?
 - Why did Tom Canty live in such a place?
- (iv) "I don't want them to make
My little girl a princess."
In tiny golden slippers"
- From where are the lines taken? Who wrote them?
 - What is the idea conveyed "in tiny golden slippers"?
 - Who is the little girl mentioned here?
- (v) "One desire came in time to haunt him day and night; it was to see a real prince with his own eyes."
- From where are the lines taken? Who wrote them?
 - Who is referred to as "him"?
 - What is the desire mentioned in these line?
- (vi) "He lit a cigarette, He made rings
With the smoke, he put the ashes..."
- From where are the lines taken? Who wrote them?
 - What are the actions done by "he"?
 - Name any poetic device that is found here.



(09 marks each)

(1) Answer the following questions.

- (i) Describe the feelings of the caged bird in relation to the poem "I know why the caged Bird sings." Are they different from the feelings of the free bird?
- (ii) What would you think is the theme of the poem "Fear"?

(08 marks each)

(2) Select one question from each section.

POETRY

1. The poem 'fear' reflects a mother's fears for the future of her daughter. Do you agree. Explain.
2. Do you think that the poet focuses attention on the dehumanization? Support your answer with examples.
3. In the poem "I know why the caged bird sings", the writer presents a comparison between a bird that is free to fly and on the other hand the bird that is caged and unable to fly. How would you explain this idea?
4. In the poem "breakfast" the writer deals with a domestic problem. Do you agree? Give reasons.

FICTION

5. The Novel 'Prince and the Pauper' gives a contrast between the lives of the rich and the lives of the poor. (answer from what you have learnt so far?)
6. Write the story of 'Price and the Pauper' up to chapter 2, in your words.

(15 marks each)