

City International School

FIRST TERMINAL EXAMINATION – 2013 - 2014

Date : 30/07/2013

Marks : 80

Std : X

Subject : English II

Time : 2 hrs

Answer to this Paper must be written on the paper provided separately.

You will **not** be allowed to write during the first **15** minutes.

This time is to be spent in reading the question paper.

The time given at the head of this Paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.

Attempt five questions in all.

You must attempt one question from each of the Section A, B and C and any two other questions.

The intended marks for questions or parts of questions are given in brackets ()

SECTION A – DRAMA

As You Like It : Shakespeare

Q. 1 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

Orlando: I am glad of your departure. Adieu, good Monsieur Melancholy.

- i. Whom does Orlando address as Monsieur Melancholy. Why is he so called, justify your answer by giving two instances. (2)
- ii. How do they greet each other on their meeting? What advice does the person give Orlando on his habit of disfiguring trees? What does the person pick on as Orlando's worst fault? (3)
- iii. What cynical remark does the person make on Orlando's "pretty answer". What does Orlando tell the person about "painted cloths"? What was the person looking for? (3)
- iv. What are the symptoms of true love according to Rosalind. (3)
- v. "Time travels in divers paces with persons. Explain. (4)

Q. 2 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

Celia: You have simply misused our sex in your love prate, we must have your doublet and hose plucked over your head and show the world what the bird has done to her nest.

- i. Why does Celia say these words to Rosalind? What part does Celia play in the game that Orlando and Rosalind are playing? How long would Orlando have Rosalind after he had possessed her? (3)

- ii. What change would come about in Rosalind's behaviour after marriage? (3)
- iii. Explain: "the wiser, the waywarder". What would happen if such a woman is closed within the four walls. (3)
- iv. Why does Orlando leave? What time does he promise to be back? Who comes back instead of him and with what? (3)
- v. Why couldn't Orlando keep his promise? What good came after this incident. (4)

SECTION B – POETRY

THE GOLDEN LYRE

Q. 3 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow.

"Scarred but secure he has many memories to foreign men, who fought in foreign places, Foreign to each other".

- i. Where would everyman wish to retire? Describe the place what is the word by which the poet refers to it? (3)
- ii. Explain: Scarred by secure. What returns to the soldier? Why? (3)
- iii. Which soil can the soldier claim as his? How? What should his village remember? (3)
- iv. Explain : 'judgement after death' and fruit of action with reference to the philosophies that has an influence on T.S. Eliot. (4)
- v. How does the poet bring out the concept of detachment in the theme of the poem? (4)

Q. 4 Read the extract given and answer the questions that follow.

'Laugh and be merry; remember, better the world with a song,

- i. What does the theme of the poem reveal. (3)
- ii. What does the poet compare life to? Which figure of speech has he used to do so? (3)
- iii. What gifts has God endowed human being with. (3)
- iv. Explain the significance of the poet addressing the readers as "brothers akin" and 'friends' at the end of the poem. (3)
- v. Explain the significance of the following lines. (2+2)
 - i. So we must laugh and drink from the deep blue cup of the sky, Join the jubilant song of the great stars sweeping by,
 - ii. Guesting awhile in the rooms of a beautiful inn.

SECTION C – PROSE
A TREASURE TROVE OF SHORT STORIES

- Q. 5** The sight made me feel quite nauseous and I couldn't eat my samosa, so I gave it to Ma instead, Meanwhile I crushed a price of potato which was lying on the seat into the shape of an _____ to frighten my younger sister, she screamed
- i. What was Ma's reaction towards her? What did her elder sister say? (3)
What did the narrator know about her elder sister despite her reaction?
 - ii. Where had they gone? Who all had come to pick them up? (3)
Describe the driver.
 - iii. Bring out three instances which show that the narrator's mother (3)
was fed up of her behavior.
 - iv. What does the narrator Naaii fold her hand and pray for? (3)
What gift does TulsaBai ask for and for what occasion.
 - v. "You are born a girl and you will have to bend for the rest of your life,... (4)
What feelings are enrobed in you on reading the above mentioned line?
- Q. 6** With reference to 'A Day's Wait', narrate the events of the story to bring out the (16)
significance of the title.