



Royal college Colombo – 07

Third term examination 2019

Appreciation of English Literature

Grade – 08

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Time : 1 hour

Answer all the questions.

- 1) Read the poem and answer the questions given below.

Stopping by the woods on a snowy evening

Whose woods these are I think I know
His house is in the village though
He will not see me stopping here
To watch his woods, fill up with snow

My little horse must think its queer
To stop without a farmhouse near
Between the woods and frozen lake
The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells shake
To ask if there is some mistake
The only other sound's the sweep
Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely dark and deep
But I have promises to keep
And miles to go before I sleep
And miles to go before I sleep.

Robert Frost

- a) Who was the poet of this poem?

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b) Find the rhyming words of the poem?

i)

ii)

c) Why did the poet want to stop by the woods?

i) To take rest

ii) To enjoy the scene

d) What is the season described in the poem?

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e) Mark (✓) or (x)

i) The horse thought that it was strange to stop.

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ii) The poem describes about the journey of life.

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iii) The woods were filled up with hail.

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f) Why can't the poet wait to enjoy the beauty of the woods?

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g) Mention two poetic techniques used in the poem.

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ii)

h) What is the idea that the poet tries to indicate the reader by using the word "sleep"?

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i) Where did the poet stop?

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j) Use about ten sentences and express your own view about the poem.

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(25 marks)

2) "The lonely scarecrow"

a) Mention the poet's name of the lonely scarecrow.

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b) How many stanzas are there?

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c) What is the theme of the poem?

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d) What is the deeper meaning conveyed through the poem?

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e) What did the scarecrow wish?

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f) Why were the animals afraid of the scarecrow?

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g) Is he happy about his appearance?

Give reasons and quote lines to prove your answer.

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h) Find synonyms for the following words,

(i) Torn.....

(ii) Stick.....

(iii) Dishonor.....

(iv) Amusing.....

i) What is the humble request made by the scarecrow?

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j) What do you feel about the lonely scarecrow?

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(26 marks)

3) Study the quotations extracted from the poems and answer the questions.

a) I can't help the way I look. My funny hat is full of hay.

- i) Poet's name.....
- ii) Title of the poem.....
- iii) Theme.....
- iv) Meaning of the quotation.....
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b) So far as children are concerned,

Is never, NEVER, NEVER let

Them near you television set.....

- i) Poet's name.....
- ii) Title of the poem.....
- iii) Theme.....
- iv) Meaning of the quotation.....
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c) Well son, I'll tell you:

Life for me ain't been no crystal stair.

It's had tack in it,

- i) Poet's name.....
- ii) Title of the poem.....
- iii) Theme.....
- iv) Meaning of the quotation.....

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d) I wondered lonely as a cloud

That floats on him O'er vales and Hills

When all at once I saw a crowd

- i) Poet's name.....
- ii) Title of the poem.....
- iii) Theme.....
- iv) Meaning of the quotation.....
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(24 marks)

4) Underline the correct answer.

a) The number of stanzas in the poem "I wandered lonely as a cloud"

- i) 1 ii) 2 iii) 3 iv) 4

b) "I wandered lonely as a cloud", here "I" refer to

- i) The reader ii) the poet iii) the cloud iv) the daffodils

c) Continuous as the stars, and twinkle on the Milky way, in the above lines, the daffodils have been compared to.....

- i) the clouds ii) the daffodils iii) the stars iv) the hills

d) The daffodils were growing

- i) by the side of a pool iii) in a garden
ii) along the margin of a bay iv) by the riverside

e) The poet saw _____ daffodils.

- i) a large number of ii) white iii) a few iv) blue

(10 Marks)

Complete the story

5) We were eagerly waiting for the midterm vacation. It was the last day in school. We friends got together and decided to go on hiking

[illegible]

(15 marks)

