



Royal college Colombo – 07

Third term examination 2019

Appreciation of English Literature

Grade – 09

Index No:.....

Time : 1 hour

Answer all questions on this paper itself.

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

My enemy

The owl in the tree
Is watching me.
For he likes for mice
For dinner you see!

His eyes are round
They see everything.
Especially at night.
They don't miss a thing!

They swoop from on high
And catch their pray
I must beware of its clutches
And scurry away!

There he goes – the old brown owl
High up into the tree!
I'm quiet and quick
He'll never catch me.

a) What is the narrative technique used in the poem?

.....

b) Who is relating the poem?

.....

c) Give rhyming words found in the poem.

i)

ii)

iii)

d) Who is watching me?

.....

e) Describe the owl in the poem.

.....
.....
.....
.....

f) Can the owl catch me?

.....

g) Write a small description of the poem.

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

(25 marks)

2) Read the given text and answer questions given below.

"Monsieur Pierre Aronnex?" said he.

"yes" I replied." commander Farragut?"

"you are welcomeProfessor. your cabin is ready for you"

I bowed and desired to be conducted to my cabin. The *Abraham Lincoln* had been well chosen and equipped for her new destination. She was a frigate of great speed, fitted with high pressure engines.

I left Conseil to put our trunks away and returned to the deck to survey the preparations for departure. At that moment commander Farragut was ordering the last moorings which held the *Abraham Lincoln* to the pier of Brooklyn to be cast loose

Commander Farragut would not lose a day nor an hour in searching the seas in which the animal had been sighted. He sent for the Engineer

"Is the steam full on?"

"yes sir" replied the Engineer

"Go ahead" cried commander Farragut.

The *Abraham Lincoln* left New York to the cheers five hundred thousand spectators and to thousands of handkerchiefs being waved. We ran full steam ahead on to the dark waters of the Atlantic.

a) From where is this extract taken?

.....

b) Who is the commander?

.....

c) What is the name of the ship?

.....

d) Who is the professor?

.....

e) Why are they leaving New York?

.....

f) From where is the ship departing?

.....

g) Where are they heading to?

.....

h) What are the spectators doing?

.....

i) Is the ship well equipped?

.....

j) Who is relating this incident?

.....

(25 marks)

3) Read the poem and answer the below.

I Dream A World

I dream a world where man
No other man will scorn,
Where love will bless the earth
And peace its paths adorn
I dream a world where all
Will know sweet freedom's way,
Where greed no longer saps the soul
Nor avarice blights our day.

A world I dream where black and white,
Whatever race you be,
Will share the bounties of the earth
And every man is free,
Where wretchedness will hang its head
And joy, like a pearl,
Attends the needs of all mankind-
Of such I dream, my world!

Langston Hughes

a) What is the narrative technique used in the poem?

.....

b) Who is the Author of this poem?

.....

c) How Many stanzas are in this poem?

.....

d)What is compared to a Perl in the poem?

.....

e) Write three thing we can do to bring unity in the world.

i).....

ii).....

iii).....

f) What does the poet try to convey in this poem? state in brief?

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

g) Find meanings in the poem

(i) Human

(ii) Contempt

(iii) Desire

(iv) Happy

(25marks)

4) Complete the story below.

It was a Christmas evening. The night started to fall slowly. Suddenly there was emptiness around me. I felt that I was left alone at home. To make things worse the electricity went off. An icy fingers gripped my fingers in the darkness

(25 marks)