

Half Yearly Examination 2016-2017

Std. : VII

Full Marks : 80

Subject : ENGLISH LITERATURE

Time : 2 Hrs.

- I. Answer the following questions briefly :—** [5x4=20]
(Underline the key words)
- (a) What is the message of the poem the Poplar-Field's ? Name the poet. [3+1]
 - (b) What, according to you, were the duke's and Jean-Victor's reasons for joining the army ? [2+2]
 - (c) What did the fellow pilgrim tell the oldman in the poem 'The Bridge Builder' ? [4]
 - (d) Which is the most important day in Helba's life ? Why ? [1+3]
 - (e) You have read two stories 'A piece of Bread' and 'I learn to talk'. Which one do you like the most ? Give reasons to support your answer. [1+3]
- II.**
- (a) Quote from you memory — [7]
An old man.....span the tide.
 - (b) Name the poem and the poet. [2]
- III. Answer the following questions with reference to context :—** [10x3=30]
(Underline the key words)
- (A) Its a sight to engage.....even than he'.
- (a) Name the river where the Poplar trees are cut down. What is 'cool colonnade'? [1+1]
 - (b) Why have the birds fled to another place ? [2]
 - (c) What sight engages the attention of the poet ? [2]
 - (d) In what way is human pleasure 'perishing' ? [2]
 - (e) Explain the last two lines of the above excerpt. [2]
- (B) "I felt my way to the hearth and picked up the pieces."
- (a) Who is the narrator of the chapter ? What were the pieces that the narrator tried to put together ? [2]
 - (b) Why did the narrator break the doll ? [2]
 - (c) Why had she not regretted her action previously ? [2]
 - (d) Why did she go to the hearth ? How was her feelings for the doll different than before ? [2]
 - (e) Write a few lines about the narrator. [2]
- (C) "It is in memory of a poor fellow who died.....," replied the duke in a voice which trembled slightly."
- (a) Who was the 'poor fellow'? What was the happy time in his life that he remembered ? [2]

- (b) How did he die ? [2]
- (c) What did the duke do in his memory ? [2]
- (d) Why do you think his companion laughed at his action ? What message did the story convey ? [2]
- (e) Which character did you like the most — the duke or Jean Victor ? Why ? [1+1]

IV. (a) Give the meanings of the following words :— [5x1]

infirmary —

fugitive —

hearth —

foundling —

porch —

(b) Make sentences :— [4x2=8]

twilight —

gloomy —

amazement —

dismissal —

(c) Antonyms :— [5x1]

advance x

accustomed x

built x

immeasurable x

remember x

(d) Correct the spellings :— [3]

carefull

impacient

intrested