

ENGLISH LITERATURE

UNIT TEST - I

SECTION A

QUESTION 1.

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Answer the following questions by choosing the most appropriate options

- The alien had landed on the Earth by mistake. Where was he supposed to go?
(a) Mars (b) Jupiter (c) Venus (d) Pluto
- The Alien named Ang had come down to earth from the planet
(a) Saturn (b) Neptune (c) Crancus (d) Uranus
- How much money was offered to the person who would take Oliver Twist?
(a) ten pounds (b) five pounds (c) one pound (d) four pounds
- Caesar is compared to a
(a) lion (b) falcon (c) raven (d) dove
- How does the gardener feel as he addresses the bonsai tree in the poem 'A work of Artifice'?
(a) sad (b) happy (c) excited (d) happy and proud

SECTION B – DRAMA

Question 2.

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Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

MARULLUS – May we do so?

You know it is the feast of Lupercal.

FLAVIUS – It is no matter; let no images

Be hung with Caesar's trophies.

- What instruction has Flavius given to Marullus before this extract?
- What does Flavius volunteer to do after the extract?
- How is Flavius more assertive than Marullus? Why do you think so?

SECTION C - PROSE

A Collection of Short Stories

Question 3.

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Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

Through that door emerged a head-like a plain, smooth ball-and then the body of a weird creature. Its arms and legs were amazingly thin. Except for its head, its whole body was covered by a shiny, pink outfit. Instead of ears, it had tiny holes on each side of its head.

On the face were two holes where there should have been a nose, and another gaping hole instead of a mouth. There was no sign of hair anywhere. Its eyes were round and bright yellow. They appeared to be glowing in the dark.

- Who came out of the strange object?
- How did that creature look?
- What did the strange creature do after coming out of that object?

Question 4.

[3]

Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

Oliver was a prisoner in that cold, dark room for a whole week. Every morning he was taken outside to wash, and Mr. Bumble beat him with a stick. Then he was taken into the large hall where the boys had their soup. Mr. Bumble beat him in front of everybody. He cried all day. When night came he tried to sleep, but he was cold, lonely, and frightened.

But one day, outside the high workhouse gate, Mr. Bumble met Mr. Sowerberry. Mr. Sowerberry was a tall, thin man who wore black clothes and made coffins. Many of his coffins were for the poor people who died in the workhouse.

1. Why did Mr. Bumble beat Oliver in front of everybody?
2. Why could Oliver not sleep at night?
3. How did Mr. Sowerberry earn money for a living?

SECTION D - POEM
A Collection of Poems

Question 5.

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Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

How lucky, little tree,
To have a pot to grow in,
With living creatures
One must begin very early
To dwarf their growth.

1. What does the 'pot' mean in the metaphorical context of the poem? Give its relevance in the growth of women.
2. What do males do to stunt the growth of women?
3. What stereotypical role do women play in life? How are they tricked to perform it?