

PORTION FOR ENGLISH LITERATURE – YEAR 5

FIRST TERM EXAM -JAN 2022

The exam paper comprises of the three following sections:

SECTION A: *Friend or Foe* 20 marks

SECTION B: *Oranges in No Man’s Land (Chapters 1-6)* 15 marks

SECTION C: *Poetry* 15 marks

Sections A & B will assess the students’ knowledge, understanding and their responses to the two novels. The questions will focus on:

1. Characters :

- Thoughts and feelings of characters
- Character development
- Characters’ actions/ reactions to events and situations
- Interaction between characters
- Students’ response to characters

2. Themes:

- Theme of war: effects of war on children; destruction of cities, etc.
- Theme of separation
- Theme of friendship and loyalty
- Theme of family and relationships
- Theme of decision making
- Students’ response to themes

3. Sequencing of and description of important events and situations

4. Matching events, characters, situations, themes, dialogues

5. Importance of the opening of the novels

6. Importance of the ending of the novel-*Friend or Foe*

- 7. Importance/implications of the titles of the novels**
- 8. Writer's point-of-view/s**
- 9. Students response to the story titles, plot development, events, situations and settings in the story**

Questions on section C will be set on one or two unseen poems. They will focus on:

- 1. Ideas and themes expressed in the poems**
- 2. Identifying the narrator of the poem**
- 3. Understanding the relevance/suitability of the title of the poem**
- 4. Identification and explanation of poetic features with evidence:**
 - Simile
 - Metaphor
 - Onomatopoeia
 - Personification
 - Alliteration
 - Repetition
 - Rhyme
- 5. Understanding and commenting on 'surface' and 'hidden' meanings**
- 6. Students' personal response and preferences with evidence and explanation**
- 7. Explanation of form and structure of the poems**
- 8. Explanation of poets' use of language to create images, descriptive and narrative effects**

Preparation for the examination

- Enjoy reading the Literature texts. It is a reflection of life.**

- **Reading novels/poems strengthens your critical thinking, builds vocabulary, improves the quality of your answers.**
- **Must re-read the novels, at least three times, carefully and critically with close reference to the focus of questions stated in the Portion.**
- **Read the collection of poems in your Poetry text .Write your thoughts, feelings, your likes and dislikes with evidence from the poems. Discuss your reasons and views.**
- **Revise all the work completed in your notebooks, Google Classroom, your assessments and tests.**