

PORTION FOR ENGLISH LITERATURE – YEAR 4

FIRST TERM EXAMINATION -JANUARY 2023

TIME: 2 hours

TOTAL: 50 Marks

The exam paper comprises of the three following sections:

SECTION A: The Iron Man (Chapters 1 to 5) -20 Marks

SECTION B: The Spiderwick Chronicles (Chapters 1 and 2) -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:

- Deducing and inferring character's actions, thoughts and feelings and supporting them with textual evidence
- Sequencing events
- Summarizing main ideas
- Matching events, characters, situations, vocabulary, dialogues
- The beginning and the ending of the novel (Only for The Iron Man and only the beginning for The Spiderwick Chronicles novel)
- Themes which are discussed in the novel
- Writer's point-of-view/s
- Students' response to the story titles, plot development, events, situations and settings in the story; justifying personal response with appropriate reasons

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

- Repetition
 - Rhyme
5. Understanding and commenting on meaning of the figurative language.
 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, worksheets, GC and your assessments.**