<u>PORTION FOR ENGLISH LITERATURE – YEAR 5</u> FIRST TERM EXAM -JANUARY 2023

TIME: 2 hours TOTAL: 50 Marks

The exam paper comprises of the three following sections:

SECTION A: Oranges in No Man's Land 20 marks

SECTION B: Friend or Foe (chapters 1&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:

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-Oranges in No Man's Land
- 7. Importance/implications of the titles of the novel
- 8. Writer's point-of-view/s
- 9. Student's 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, worksheets, GC and your assessments.