



**DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWTOWN**  
**SESSION 2020-21**  
**MONDAY TEST**

**CLASS: IX**  
**SUBJECT: ENGLISH PAPER II**

**FULL MARKS: 40**  
**DATE: 12.11.2020**

- All questions are compulsory.
- The paper consists of two printed pages.

**Question 1**

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

*Jessica: I am sorry thou wilt leave my father so:*

*Our house is a hell, and thou, a merry devil,*

*Didst rob it of some taste of tediousness.*

- i. Where does the scene take place? Who is referred to as 'thou'? Why is 'thou' referred to as a 'merry devil'? [3]
- ii. What are the two things that Jessica gives the 'merry devil' before he leaves the house? Why does the 'merry devil' say that his manly spirit is somewhat drowned? [3]
- iii. What 'heinous sin' does Jessica refer to a little later in this scene? How does she decide to end the 'strife'? [3]
- iv. What role does Lorenzo decide for Jessica? According to Lorenzo, on which pretext can Shylock ever go to heaven? Later in the act, why did Shylock instruct Jessica to shut the doors and the windows of the house? [3]
- v. Which recent dream of Shylock disturbed his peace of mind? Mention any one reason why Shylock disliked the "merry devil". Give a character trait of Jessica as revealed in the extract with suitable justification. [4]

**Question 2**

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

*The third one sat in tattered clothes.*

*He gave his coat a hitch.*

*The Cold Within, James Patrick Kinney*

- i. How was the weather that evening? How many humans were there? How had they met? [3]
- ii. Why did the 'third one' give his coat a hitch? Why did he refuse to give his log of wood? Why was the other person in the group unwilling to help the poor? [3]

- iii. What was the condition of the fire at that moment? Why did the first person hold back the log of wood? What does her action reveal about her character? [3]
- iv. What kind of a person was the last man of the group? What happened to the people in the end? Give a relevant theme of the poem. [3]

### **Question 3**

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

*When its flickering light fell in the figure of a boy, who was sitting alone on a rock, Mr. Oliver stopped.*

- i. Who was Mr. Oliver? Where was the school located? How was the school described in the 'Life' Magazine? [3]
- ii. What did the boys in Mr. Oliver's school wear? According to the author, what kind of man was Mr. Oliver? [3]
- iii. Why was Mr. Oliver initially angry on seeing the boy in the forest? Why did Mr. Oliver sense that something was wrong as soon as he approached the boy? [3]
- iv. What did Mr. Oliver notice when the light from the torch fell on the boy's face? Whom did Mr. Oliver encounter in the middle of the path that night? [3]