



**DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWTOWN
SESSION 2024-25
MONDAY TEST**

CLASS: IX
SUBJECT: ENGLISH PAPER II

FULL MARKS: 40
DATE: 04/10/24

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

SECTION A (MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS)

Question 1.

Choose the correct option and fill in the blanks: (Do not copy the questions)

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Who is referred to as 'him' in the extract?

SECTION B (DRAMA)

Question 2.

Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:

*Lucius: The taper burneth in your closet, sir.
Searching the window for a flint, I found
This paper, thus seal'd up; and I am sure
It did not lie there when I went to bed.*

- a) Who is Lucius? Where does this scene take place? [2]
- b) Who has been referred to as 'sir' in the extract? What task had 'sir' given to Lucius just before this extract? [2]
- c) What had Lucius been doing in the beginning of the scene? What was written in 'this paper' that Lucius had found near the window? [3]
- d) What according to 'sir' is like a hideous dream? Why was Lucius unable to identify the people who visited soon after? [3]
- e) Why do you think that 'sir' agreed to join the conspiracy made by the visitors? Based on the scene, give any one character trait of Cassius with suitable justification. [3]

SECTION C (SHORT STORY)

Question 3.

Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:

It was an immense relief to the mother to get rid of Phatik. She had a prejudice against the boy, and no love was lost between the two brothers.

- a) How would Phatik's mother 'get rid' of him? Name Phatik's brother. [3]
- b) What was the daily fear of Phatik's mother about Phatik and his brother? Why do you think Phatik was extremely excited to know that he would leave his village? What did Phatik give to his brother before leaving? [3]
- c) Why was it difficult for Phatik's aunt to accept Phatik in her family? How was Phatik treated by his cousins and his teacher? [3]
- d) What impression do you form of Phatik's mother after reading the text? Give textual reference to support your answer. [2]

SECTION D (POETRY)

Question 4.

Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:

*But now, I often wish the night
Had borne my breath away!*

- a) What phase of life is the poet presently in? What are the two things he remembers as mentioned in the beginning of the poem? [3]
- b) What does the poet say about the sun? Mention the figure of speech that has been used to describe the sun. [3]
- c) What had the poet's brother planted on his birthday? Name the flowers which have been mentioned in the poem. [3]
- d) If you had to give this poem an alternative title, what would you call it? Give reasons for your answer. [2]