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JS3 2ND TERM CLASS ASSESSMENT 2

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer diligently ALL the questions in this paper.

SECTION A: Essay Writing (20 Marks)

1. Write an essay of ONLY two paragraphs on the following subject 'Charity Begins at Home'
2. Write a two-scene Drama on a contemporary African heritage

Comprehension Passage (20 Marks)

INSTRUCTIONS: Read the following passage carefully and answer diligently the questions beneath it. Penalty will be awarded for unwarranted cancellations cum dirty blotches.

There are today five great religions in the world, Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam, to which one may perhaps add a sixth, Confucianism, if one understands by that the tradition of Chinese religion, which includes both Taoism and Confucianism. It is true that this is now submerged in China, but one can hardly doubt that a time will come when the Chinese will be led to recover the values of their ancient civilization.

Each of these religions has a certain claim to universality. With Judaism, Christianity and Islam this has always been explicit; Hinduism and Buddhism have only recently begun to lay claim to universality, yet one may say the claim is in a sense implicit in them. Hindus call their religion *sanatana dharma*, the eternal religion, and it is their belief that it reveals the eternal nature of man and therefore can embrace all mankind. The Buddha also believed that he had discovered the final truth, the way of salvation for man. And Buddhism has always shown a strong missionary spirit.

These religions can be divided into two groups, which are sharply distinguished from one another, and from, as has been said, two 'spiritual hemispheres.' There are three

Western religions, Judaism, Christianity and Islam, which belong to the 'prophetic type and all alike recognize one Supreme, singular God, Who reveals Himself through His prophets; and on the other hand are the three Eastern religions which are of a 'mystical' character, recognizing the one infinite, eternal Being which is present in nature and the soul of man, and which is known in the experience of the soul in its depths.

The difference however, must not be exaggerated. There is a mystical tradition in both Judaism, Christianity and Islam, while Hinduism and to a less extent Buddhism and Confucianism, have also their worship of a personal God. The contrast in fact, only brings out the fact that these religions are essentially complementary, representing the two sides of all genuine religion. One may believe that it is the task of the future to bring these two traditions into vital relation with one another.

In other words, the Western religions, which have always tended to regard themselves as forms of one true religion and to seek to impose their belief on others, have to learn to recognize that they can no longer ignore the spiritual wisdom of the East and have to come to terms with Eastern religion. On the other hand, the Eastern religions have to learn to face the reality of the prophetic message of the West and not to assume, as they tend to do, that it can be simply absorbed in the teachings of their own religion. The problem is how this coming together can be achieved with renouncing any of the essential values of the different religions. This is the ecumenical problem in the world today.

QUESTIONS:

1. Give the passage a short factual title to sum up its content.
2. What is the major difference between the Eastern and Western religions?
3. State clearly what the writer means by "these religions are complementary" in the fourth paragraph?
4. What does the writer recommend for the future of these religion?

SECTION B: Grammar (10 Marks)
(What-Clause at the Beginning)

INSTRUCTIONS: *Reword the following sentences by putting the Subject last.*

1. She is suffering from loneliness.
2. They failed to realize the danger they were in.
3. The government must decide when best to hold the elections.
4. I objected to the way it was done.
5. Few people have discovered how to detect the truth.
6. I want to go home early.
7. Most people blame somebody else.
8. I deny that I did it on purpose.
9. I cannot decide now who to vote for.
10. Abu is interested in ships.

TEST OF ORALS (10) Marks)

INSTRUCTIONS: *Choose from the options given the word that has the same sound as the underlined sound in the word provided.*

	A	B	C	D	E
11. sh<u>ou</u>lder	would	should	wound	globe	glue
12. g<u>ro</u>ss	loss	wars	worse	foam	gloss
13. <u>o</u>nly	story	grocery	owl	oven	democracy
14. ch<u>o</u>sen	promise	telephone	grouse	month	queue
15. cl<u>o</u>thes	closet	cloth	clock	cloud	cloak

16. m<u>ou</u>ld	should	could	toad	would	wound
17. f<u>o</u>lk	choke	chalk	roost	rust	storey
18. <u>o</u>ven	over	only	oily	obey	collapse
19. in<u>to</u>	toe	toad	two	top	trust
20. g<u>o</u>spel	walk	go	goes	group	went

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