

**Bombay Scottish School, Mahim**

**ASSESSMENT 3**

**ENGLISH LITERATURE**

Grade : 10

Date : 19.01.2022

Session : 1

Maximum Marks : 40

Writing duration : 1 hr

No. of Questions : 04

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Time allowed: One hour

You will not be allowed to write during the first 10 minutes.

This time is to be spent in reading the question paper.

The time given at the head of this Paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.

**Read the instructions carefully.**

1. Solve the questions on loose ruled A4 size sheets of paper.
  2. Scan clear images of all answer sheets.
  3. Each scanned image should have your Name, Grade, Section, Roll No. written clearly on the top right-hand corner.
  4. Ensure all your images are in the right sequence and in a single PDF.
  5. Click on the Add File option to upload the PDF to your assignment.
  6. Turn in the Assessment once you are done.
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**SECTION A**

**Question 1**

Choose the correct answers to the questions from the given options. (Do not copy the question, Write the correct answer only.)

- (i) The poem “Abou Ben Adhem” by Leigh Hunt is a poem which leaves us with a profound reflection on ----- .
- ☒ (a) humanitarian values
  - (b) devotion towards God
  - (c) divine intervention
  - (d) supernatural experience

- (ii) What qualities inherent in Abou Ben Adhem made him fearless and bold in the presence of the vision ?
- (a) Bold and brash
  - ☒ (b) Devout and compassionate
  - (c) Prayerful and anxious
  - (d) Dreamy and peaceful
- (iii) Why did everyone expect Jesse Owens to win the running broad jump hands down ?
- (a) He had worked tirelessly for six years .
  - (b) He was very talented and famous
  - ☒ (c) He was the new world record holder in that event
  - (d) He had won the event in the previous Olympic Games.
- (iv) Why was nationalistic feelings running high during the 1936 Olympic Games ?
- (a) None endorsed Hitler's theory of the Aryan race.
  - (b) Jesse Owens was expected to set a new world record
  - ☒ (c) Hitler was hosting the Berlin Olympics
  - (d) Hitler had kept a secret entry.
- (v) Why does Antonio feel Fortune is kind to him ?
- (a) It has given him a friend like Bassanio
  - (b) It has saved him from the clutches of Shylock's devious intentions
  - (c) It has given him plenty of wealth , fame and name .
  - ☒ (d) Not letting him outlive his wealth
- (vi) In the Trial scene the final outcome is \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ (a) Mercy is justified
  - (b) Truth prevails
  - ☒ (c) Malice falls in the trap laid for others
  - (d) Sweet vengeance
- (vii) Duke; 'We all expect a gentle answer , Jew.'
- In reply, why does the Jew refuse to show mercy ?
- (a) Anthony insulted him perpetually .
  - (b) Anthony lends out money gratis
  - ☒ (c) Shylock had sworn on the holy Sabbath to have his dues .
  - (d) Shylock had signed the bond

- (viii) How does Antonio NOT describe himself ?
- (a) Tainted wether of the flock .
  - (b) Weakest kind of fruit
  - (c) Not fit to live
  - ☒ (d) Could live long enough to write an epitaph
- (ix) How does Gratiano describe Shylock ?
- (a) Wolfish , sly , strict and raven-like .
  - (b) Devilis ,bloody, starved and ravenous.
  - ☒ (c) Wolfish, bloody , starved and ravenous.
  - (d) Wolfish, devious , sly and ravenous .
- (x) What quality of Balthazar was NOT highlighted by Dr. Bellario in his letter?
- (a) Very learned man of justice
  - (b) With knowledge beyond his age .
  - ☒ (c) Has experience dealing with many such cases .
  - (d) Aware of Dr. Bellario's opinion on the matter

## SECTION B

### DRAMA (The Merchant of Venice by William Shakespeare - Acts 4

#### Question 2

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

***Duke: How shalt thou hope for mercy , rendering none ?***

***Shylock : What judgement shall I dread , doing no wrong ?***

- (i) What argument does Shylock give here to justify that he is absolutely right in demanding his pound of flesh? [3]
- (ii) Shylock is unwavering in his demand for justice from the Duke. What recourse does the Duke take to decide Shylock's plea? [2]
- (iii) Why according to Portia the Duke cannot curb "this cruel devil of his Will"? [2]

- (iv) A little later in the scene Portia tells Shylock “Why this bond is forfeit ..the Jew may claim a pound of flesh ..”  
How does Portia make it impossible for Shylock to claim his legally given ‘a pound of flesh’ ? [3]

**SECTION C**  
**PROSE - SHORT STORIES**  
**(Treasure Trove – A Collection of ICSE Poems and Short Stories)**

**Question 3**

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

***“An angry athlete is an athlete who will make mistakes, as any coach will tell you. I was no exception.”***

- (i) Why was Jesse Owens angry ? [2]  
(ii) What was the consequence of his ire ? What thoughts made him more agitated ? [2]  
(iii) How did he come out of this crisis ? [3]  
(iv) What is the true spirit of the Olympic Games ? In this story who best embodies this spirit Give reasons for your answer. [3]

**SECTION D**  
**POETRY**  
**(Treasure Trove – A Collection of ICSE Poems and Short Stories)**

**Question 4**

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

***Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace ,  
And saw,.....***

- (i) Who is Abou Ben Adhem and how does the poet reveal his personal regard for Abou Ben Adhem in the poem ? [2]  
(ii) What impact did the angel’s presence have on the room? What was the angel doing there ? [2]

- (iii) What request did Abou Ben Adhem make to the presence in 'a low but cheerful voice' ? Give reason for the " low but cheerful voice". [3]
- (iv) And showed the names ..... [3]  
And lo !.....  
Complete the last two lines of the poem and explain the central idea of the poem .
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