

# Mock Board Exam

STD: X

SUBJECT: LITERATURE IN  
ENGLISH

ASSESSMENT: Mock Test

Maximum marks : 40

26/3/2022 11:00 - 26/3/2022  
22:30

Time Limit : 150 Minutes

Answers to this Paper must be written on the answer paper separately

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

The paper has four sections.

Section A is compulsory – All questions in Section A must be answered.

You must attempt one question from each of Sections B, C, and D.

The intended marks for questions or parts of questions are given in brackets

A student has to answer a question either by typing it out, in the space provided, or writing down each answer on paper, and uploading a picture of it using the upload option.

A student is advised to write the answers in a clear, legible handwriting using a blue/black ball point pen before uploading it.

## Section A

10 Marks

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

- 1 Which event were the athletes participating in in the poem Nine Gold Medals? **1 M**  
(A) 200 metre run (B) Relay race run (C) 100 metre run  
(D) 800 metre run
- 2 What does the angel say when Abou Ben Adhem asks what the angel is writing? **1 M**  
(A) The names of those whom the Lord loved most (B) The names of people who loved their fellow beings  
(C) The names of people who loved the Lord (D) The names of people who will go to heaven
- 3 In the story All Summer in a Day, what did the children first see when the door slid back from their underground school? **1 M**  
(A) The ruins of the city (B) The flaming bronze sun  
(C) The crystal shower of rain (D) The spaceship to return to earth
- 4 In the story All Summer in a Day, what did the children hear as they walked back to school after the sun had disappeared? **1 M**  
(A) The sound of Margot crying (B) The teacher calling them back  
(C) William laughing with the other children (D) The sound of rain falling in tonnes and avalanches

5 Who was the ruler of Germany during the 1936 Olympics?

1 M

(A) Winston Churchill

(B) Luz Long

(C) Jesse Owens

(D) Adolf Hitler



- 6 In My Greatest Olympic Prize, why does Jesse Owens say that everyone had expected him to win the Olympics hands down that year? **1 M**
- (A) He had already won the Olympics earlier (B) His opponent was considered weak earlier
- (C) He had set a world record as a sophomore (D) He was the only one participating in that category
- 7 Which of these punishments is not given to Shylock? **1 M**
- (A) To give half his wealth to Antonio (B) To give half his wealth to the state
- (C) To turn a Christian (D) to leave Venice
- 8 LORENZO: Who comes so fast in silence of the night?  
In the context of this line, who has come to meet Lorenzo? **1 M**
- (A) Portia (B) Antonio (C) Stephano (D) Shylock
- 9 **Lorenzo:** **Therefore, the poet** **Did feign that Orpheus drew trees, stones, and floods.** **1 M**  
Who was Orpheus?
- (A) The Duke of Venice (B) A musician in Greek mythology
- (C) The God of poetry (D) Jessica's lover
- 10 Who did Bassanio give his ring to? **1 M**
- (A) Balthazara (B) Bellario (C) Shylock (D) Gratiano

## Section B

**10 Marks**

DRAMA (The Merchant of Venice by William Shakespeare - Acts 4 and 5)

Answer only question from Section B

**10 Marks**

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

11 SHYLOCK

I have possessed your grace of what I purpose,  
And by our holy Sabbath have I sworn  
To have the due and forfeit of my bond.  
If you deny it, let the danger light  
Upon your charter and your city's freedom.

a Who is Shylock speaking to? Where are they?

**2 M**

- b What has Shylock sworn to have? Who is asking him to give up his claim? **2 M**
- c Explain: let the danger light  
Upon your charter and your city's freedom. **3 M**
- d What has been offered to Shylock in the place of his demand? Why does Shylock refuse the offer? **3 M**

**10 Marks**

12 Antonio

Grieve not that I am fall'n to this for you,  
For herein Fortune shows herself more kind  
Than is her custom. It is still her use  
To let the wretched man outlive his wealth,  
To view with hollow eye and wrinkled brow  
An age of poverty—from which lingering penance  
Of such misery doth she cut me off.

- a Who is Antonio speaking to? What has he 'fall'n to'? **2 M**
- b How is the person being spoken to responsible for what has befallen Antonio? **2 M**
- c Explain why Antonio believes that "Fortune shows herself more kind" to him? **3 M**
- d Who saves Antonio from his fate? How? **3 M**

### **Section C**

**10 Marks**

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

**Answer only question from Section C**

**10 Marks**

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

13 They looked at everything and savored everything. Then, wildly, like animals escaped from their caves, they ran and ran in shouting circles. They ran for an hour and did not stop running.

And then - In the midst of their running one of the girls wailed.  
Everyone stopped.

- a What are the children so excited to see? Where are they? **2 M**
- b Why is this an exciting day for the children? **2 M**

c Describe what the children see and do for an hour.

3 M



d Why does one of the girls start wailing? What do the children realise after this? **3 M**

**10 Marks**

14 "Jesse Owens, I'm Luz Long. I don't think we've met." He spoke English well, though with a German twist to it. "Glad to meet you," I said. Then, trying to hide my nervousness, I added, "How are you?" "I'm fine. The question is: How are you?" "What do you mean?" I asked. "Something must be eating you," he said...

a Where and when do the two men meet? **2 M**

b Why was Jesse Owens nervous? **2 M**

c How does Luz Long help Jesse Owens overcome his nervousness? **3 M**

d Describe why the friendship between these two men is special. What does Owens try to teach the readers through this narrative? **3 M**

### **Section D**

**10 Marks**

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

**Answer only question from Section D**

**10 Marks**

15 The angel wrote, and vanished. The next night  
It came again with a great wakening light,  
And showed the names whom love of God had blest,  
And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest.  
-Abou Ben Adhem, Leigh Hunt

a What was Ben Adhem doing when the angel visited him? How did his room look when he saw the angel? **2 M**

b What does Ben Adhem ask the angel? What is the angel's reply? **2 M**

c What does Ben Adhem ask the angel to write before it vanishes? What does this reveal about Ben Adhem's character? **3 M**

d What does the angel show Ben Adhem the following night? What does the poet try to convey through this ending? **3 M**

16 He gave out a cry in frustration and anguish  
His dreams and his efforts all dashed in the dirt  
But as sure as I'm standing here telling this story  
The same goes for what next occurred.

— Nine Gold Medals, David Roth

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| a | Who is 'he' in the given lines and where is 'he'? | 2 M |
| b | Why does he cry out?                              | 2 M |
| c | And falls on the track soon after the race starts | 3 M |
| d | What occurred next?                               | 3 M |