

## S.5 LITERATURE

### TERM THREE HOLIDAY WORK, 2023

#### PAPER 1 P310/1 PROSE AND POETRY

##### Prose Passage 1:

"The leaves rustled as the wind blew through the trees. Maria walked down the forest path, her feet crunching on the fallen leaves. She breathed in the crisp autumn air, feeling invigorated by the beauty of the changing seasons. As she walked, Maria noticed a small bird hopping on the ground, searching for food. It looked up at her with beady black eyes and then flew away as she approached. Maria smiled and continued on her walk, feeling grateful for the peace and serenity of the forest."

##### Questions:

1. What season is it in the passage?
2. What sound does Maria's footsteps make?
3. What does Maria notice while walking in the forest?
4. How does Maria feel about the forest?
5. What does the bird do when Maria approaches it?

##### Prose Passage 2:

It was a beautiful spring day and the sun was shining brightly. Emma decided to take a walk in the park to enjoy the nice weather. She strolled along the winding paths, enjoying the colorful flowers and the chirping of the birds. Suddenly, she heard a loud noise and saw a group of children playing with a remote-controlled car. She stopped to watch them, admiring their skillful control of the little vehicle.

##### Questions:

1. What was the weather like on the day Emma went for a walk in the park?
2. What did Emma enjoy during her walk in the park?
3. What did Emma see and hear suddenly?
4. What did Emma think about the children's control of the remote-controlled car?
5. What is the main idea of the passage?

**Read the poem below and then answer the questions that follow; -**

##### **"FAMINE"**

The owner of yam peels his yam in the house's:  
A neighbour knocks at the door  
The owner of yam throws his yam in the bedroom:  
The neighbour says, "I just heard  
A sound, 'kerekere', that is why I came,"  
The owner of the yam replies,  
"That was nothing, I was sharpening two knives."  
The neighbour says again, "I still heard  
Something like 'bi' sound behind the door."  
The owner of the yam says,  
"I merely tried my door with a mallet."  
The neighbour says again,  
"What about his huge fire burning on your hearth?"  
The fellow replies,

"I am merely warming water for my bath."  
The neighbour persist,  
"Why is your skin all white, when this is not the Harmattan season?"  
The fellow is ready with his reply,  
I was rolling on the floor when I heard the death of Agadapidi."  
Then the neighbour says, "Peace be with you."  
The owner of the yam start shut,  
"There cannot be peace  
Unless the owner of food is allowed to eat his own food!"

### Questions.

- (a) Briefly explain what the poem is about. (2 marks)
- (b) What does the neighbor hope to achieve by being so persistent? (3 marks)
- (c) Using illustrations, describe any two-character traits of the owner of the yam. (4 marks)
- (d) Identify the ideophones words in the poem. (2 marks)
- (e) How do we know that the neighbour is observant? (3 marks)
- (f) Describe the tone of the owner of the yam. (1 mark)
- (g) The neighbour says, "peace be with you." Why is this statement ironic? (3 marks)
- (h) What lesson can we learn from this poem? (2 marks)

**Read the poem below then answer the questions that follow.**

### Riding Chinese Machines

There are beasts in this city  
they creak and they crank  
and groan from first dawn  
when their African-tongued masters wake  
to guide them lax and human-handed  
through the late rush  
when they're handled down and un-animated  
still as we sleep, towering or bowing always heavy  
We pour cement through the cities  
towns, through the wild  
onwards, outwards  
like fingers of eager hands  
stretched across the earth dug in  
The lions investigate  
and buried marvel rumbles  
squeezed for progress

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### Questions

- (a) Briefly describe what the poem is about. (3mks)

- (b) Explain how the poet feels towards the beasts in the city. (2mks)
  - (c) Identify two poetic devices employed by the poet in the poem. (4mks)
  - (d) Explain the irony of the type of development described in the poem (3mks)
  - (e) Explain the meaning of the following lines in the poem. (4mks)
    - i) When their African-tongued masters wake to guide them.
    - ii) The lions investigate and buried marvel rumbles squeezed for progress.
  - (f) Identify and explain one theme tackled in the poem. (2mks)
  - (g) Explain the significance of the title to the poem. (2mks)
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## **S.5 LITERATURE PAPER 2 TERM THREE HOLIDAY WORK**

### **THE COUNTRY WIFE**

1. Finalize with reading The Country Wife Act 5 scene
    - Make a scene analysis of it
    - Identify the themes and character analysis of characters
    - Describe the techniques used in the scene
  2. How does Wycherley communicate his message in The Country Wife?
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## **S5 LITERATURE 3 HOLIDAY WORK 2023**

1. What pivotal events in Tess of the D'Urbervilles contribute to the overall development of the plot and the protagonist's character?