

CLASS XII GUESS PAPER ENGLISH

POEMS

–THE NOBLE NATURE

- (A) –What is the life of an Oak tree and what is its ultimate end?
- (B) –What does not make man better?
- (C) –Why is lily called fairer far in May?
- (D) –What according to poet makes a life perfect?
- (E) What type of comparison does the poet put before the humanity?
- (F) Explain ‘It was the plant and flower of light’.
- (G) What does the poet want to convey by ‘beauty in small proportion’.

SHORT QUESTIONS

- 1- Why does the poet call the lily a flower of light?
- 2- How can we make our lives perfect?
- 3- What is the central idea of the poem?
- 4- How does the poet contrast an oak and a lily?

–WRITTEN IN EARLY SPRING

- (A) –Where was the poet sitting and what did he hear?
- (B) –How the sweet mood has its own charm to us?
- (C) –What is the link between man’s soul and nature?
- (D) –How does the nature affect us?
- (E) –What is a sweet bower?
- (F) –In which activity were the birds busy?
- (G) –Why does the poet says that he cannot measure their thoughts?
- (H) –What does the word ‘Fan’ means?
- (I) –What did the budding twigs do?
- (J) –Why does the poet lament?

SHORT QUESTIONS

- 1- Why did the poet become sad though he was in a sweet mood?
- 2- The expression “what Man has made of Man “is used twice in the poem. What does the poet want to convey through this?
- 3- Write the theme of the poem “Written in early spring”.
- 4- The budding twigs in the nature make the poet more happy. How?

—TO MY SON—ONCE UPON A TIME

- (A) –How do people meet in earlier days?
- (B) –What is the significance of ‘only laugh with their teeth’?
- (C) –How did the people in the past welcome one another?
- (D) –Explain without hearts?
- (E) –How many times could the speaker visit their houses?
- (F) –The narrator does not visit them thrice why?
- (G) –What does the poet want to relearn?
- (H) –Write down the philosophy in this stanza?
- (I) –Explain good riddance?
- (J) –What does the poet want to unlearn?
- (K) –Explain snake’s brae fang?
- (L) –What does the poet desire from his son to show?

SHORT QUESTION

- 1- Why do the ‘conforming smiles’ look like a ‘fixed portrait’ smile to the poet?
- 2- Write the theme of the poem ‘Once upon a time’.
- 3- Mention the changes that have occurred among the people living in the present era.
- 4- Write down the muting things which the poet wants to unlearn?

—THE MAN HE KILLED

- (A)—Who are ‘He’ and ‘I’ in the stanza?
- (B)—Explain Nipper kin?
- (C)—What is an infantry?
- (D)—What is an Inn?
- (E)—What does the sentence staring face to face Indicate?
- (F)—What made the soldier conclude that the other was his enemy?
- (G)—Why did the poet kill the soldier?
- (H)—Give the meaning and opposite of ‘Foe’.
- (I)—Why is the word because used twice in this stanza?
- (J)—Explain how the war is quaint and curious.
- (K)—How does a man behave with another on meeting in a bar?

SHORT QUESTION

- 1- Why does the poet call war as quaint & curious?
- 2- Write down the central Idea of the poem.
- 3- Mention the specific cause of their entry in the Army.

—FREEDOM

- (A) --Who are ‘I’ and motherland in this passage?
- (B)—What type of freedom does the poet claim for?
- (C) –Explain freedom from the burden of ages.
- (D)—What is the beckoning call of the future?
- (E)—Explain freedom from shackles of slumber.

- (F)—Explain anarchy of destiny.
(G)—Explain cold as death.
(H)—What are brainless and why.
(I)—What is a puppet's world how do people live in the puppet's world?

SHORT QUESTION

- 1- What are the 'shackles' that Tagore speaks of and why does he call them shackles Of slumber?
- 2- The poet calls the path of truth 'Adventurous' in this poem. Explain
- 3- What is the central Idea of the poem?
- 4- Why is insulating to dwell in a puppet's world?

–THE PLATE OF GOLD

- (A) –What and where did one thing fall on one day?
(B) –Who sent the gift and for whom?
(C) –Who made the proclamation and at what time.
(D) –Who were the judges and what was their made of judgement?
(E) –What type of people visited the temple court?
(F) –What did the pilgrims at the temple gate?
(G) –Explain council.
(H) –What made the people stand aghast in the temple court?
(I) –How many times did heaven refuse the gift and why?
(J) –Write the meaning of guerdon.
(K) –Explain maimed and claimant.
(L) –How can you saw that the temple had become a seen of activity?
(M) –What did the pilgrim do at the temple gate.
(N) –Explain the sacred vessel.
(O) –There was a trembling in his eyes why?
(P) –Who lay by the temple gate what was his condition?
(Q) –How did the peasant treat this beggar.
(R) –Who was addressed by whom as son and why?
(S) –How did the peasant act on having the gift?

SHORT QUESTION

- 1- With what hope did a lot of beggars gather round the temple?
- 2- What did the peasant do after receiving do after receiving the plate of gold?
- 3- Write the central Idea of the poem.
- 4- How did the temple become a center of activity of the people?