ANNAI VAILANKANNI ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGE

SHORT STORIES FOR EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

QUESTION BANK

TWO MARKS:

THE AUSPICOUS VISION

1. Describe Kantichandra.

Kantichandra was a young man with slender, hard and agile body. He hunts the beasts and the birds.

1. Who is the servant maid?

Sudha is the servant-maid.

1. Who are the friends of Kantichandra?

Chakkanlal, Khan Saheb, Mian Saheb.

1. What did he saw in the water’s edge?

He saw a village maiden coming to the water’s edge with two ducklings clasped at the breast. The scenery of the surrounding and the girl shows an auspicious vision for Kantichandra.

1. Who did kantichandra married?

He married the daughter of Nabin Banerjee’s daughter.

2.GLORY AT TWILIGHT

1. Describe Satyajit.

A tall, thin man, nearly 40 years old, is having a body of sharp features.

1. What did he sell to send for his wife’s survival?

Satyajit sold his Diamond ring to send for his wife’s survival.

1. Who is the person approached by Satyajit for help?

It was uncle Srinath is approached by Satyajit for help.

1. Who is marriage process is going on in the village?

The marriage process of Beena, daughter of Srinath is going on in the village.

1. How is the life of Satyajit?

The life of Satyajit is miserable and wretched from the starting to the ending.

3. THE NIGHINGALE AND THE ROSE.

 1. Where is the Nightingale present?

The Nightingale is present in the Oak-tree of the young student.

2. What are the types of roses mention in the lesson?

The Red Rose, The white rose and the yellow rose.

3. How is the Red Rose look like?

The Red rose look like a sun-dial.

4. How is the yellow rose look like?

The yellow rose look like a mermaid’s hair.

5. What did the Nightingale gave for the young man?

The Nightingale gives the heart to prove its love for the young man.

4. ACME.

1. What is called as acme?

The meaning for Acme is the highest level.

2. Who is the protagonist of the story?

Bruce, a 60 year old man is the protagonist of the story.

3. How many books did Bruce wrote?

Bruce have written 15 books and published.

4. Who helped Bruce to publish the book?

 The author John Galsworthy helped Bruce to publish the book 2,000 instead of 3,000 Euros.

5. What is the miserable life of Bruce?

 The miserable life of Bruce is that he has to publish books very hardly to escape from the starving life. He is badly in need of money.

5. **THE** SON FROM AMERICA.

1.What is the village mentioned in the story?

Lentishin, is the village of both Christian and Jewish community mentioned in the story.

 2. Who are the parents mentioned in the story?

BERL,a man of 80’s and BELCHA his wife as Jewish family mentioned in this story.

3. What is called a Synagogue?

It is a Jewish temple.

4. Where is Berl’s son?

Berl’s son is in America. Berla and his wife Belcha is waiting for his son for a long period.

5. What is the theme of the story?

The old parents are not giving up on the religious beliefs they follow.

6. THE PEDESTRIAN

 1. Who is the author of the story?

Ray Bradbury is the author of the story.

2. What is the meaning of Pedestrian?

A Person who travel-by.

3. Who is the protagonist of the story?

 Leonard Mead

 4. What did he experience?

Leonard Mead as a traveler admires the atmosphere of night, the mystery houses, the howling wind, the pleasant grassland.

5. How did the author reach his house?

 The author reaches his house by a MECHANICAL CAR.

 7. A NINCOMPOOP:

 1. What is the work of Julia Vassilyevna?

 Julia is a children Governess.

 2. Whom does Julia caresses?

 Julia takes care of Kolya and Vanya.

 3. What did her struggling for?

She is badly in need of her salary and she is merciful for the salary.

4. What is the meaning of RUBLES?

 Russian Silver Coins.

5. What is the meaning for Nincompoop?

A foolish- person.

8. THE DIAMOND NECKLACE.

1. Who is the author of the work?

Guy De Maupassant.

2. Who are the characters in the story?

 The characters are Mr. Loisel. Mathilde and Madame Froistere.

3. What is the theme of the story?

“Covet all,Lose All”

4. How did Mrs.loisel turns after 10 years?

After 10 years Mrs. Loisel becomes very pale, weak, and unknown in appearance.

5. What did she borrow from Madam Froistere?

The Diamond Necklace.

9.SUN AND THE MOON

1. Write the characters present in the story?

The sun and the Moon are the characters present in the story.

2. What is the longing of sun and moon?

The Sun and the moon longs for the parents care.

3. What made the children to be happy?

The delicious food made the children so happy

10. THE FUR

1. Who is Mr.Bertmam Kneyght?

He is the cousin of Suzanne

2. Is their friendship is true?

No, it is not true

3. What is Fur?

 It is an woolen cloth.

 4. What is Eleanor is in need of?

 Eleanor is need of a fox-lining fur.

5 MARKS:

1. DESCRIBE THE BEAUTY OF THE VILLAGE MAIDEN.

The girl’s rare beauty had a rare freshness. As she had come from Vishwakarma’s shop.it was difficult to guess her age. Her figure is almost of a woman’s, but her face was so childish that clearly the world had left no impression there. She seemed not to know herself that she had reached from threshold of youth.

1. NARRATE THE DRASTIC DEATH OF THE NIGHTINGALE.

The moon shone in heaven the Nightingale flew to the rose-tree and set her breast towards the tree and starts singing. The Nightingale voice shivers and she sang the song so pitifully. It thrust her heart so deeper and sings so loudly. The blood of the bird spreads all-over the stems of the tree, its voice grew fainter and fainter. The white moon here it and lingered in the sky. The red rose hears the song and emerges in the top of the tree while the nightingale lying dead in the grass. This is the nightingale’s true love for the student.

1. DESCRIBE BERL AND BELCHA.

In the Lentshin smallest of these huts lived old Berl a man in his 80’s and his wife Belcha. He is a Jew, driven from the villages of Russia and settled in Poland. They are mocked for their colloquial and they pronounce the ‘ r’ as sharp. He was short, broad shouldered, had small white bread and summer and winter he wore sheepskin. He walked slowly and shuffles his feet while walking. He had a half acre of field, a cow, a goat and chickens.

1. HOW MRS.LOISEL SUFFER FOR THE DIAMOND NECKLACE.

Mrs.Loisel - the heavy housework- odious cares of the kitchen. She washed Dishes, using her dainty fingers, -with rosy nails on greasy pots and pans. She washed soiled linen, shirts and dishcloths. Every morning she carries water through the streets. This is the miserable situation of Mrs. Loisel to earn money.

1. What are the themes of the short story fur?

-friendship- Eleanor and Suzzane.

-Jealousy- Eleanor and Suzzane.

-attraction -Eleanor towards Bertram Knyght.

10Marks

UNIT-I

Narrate the story of AN AUSPICIOUS VISION.

-INTRODUCTION

-KANTICHANDRA’S LIFESTYLE

-HIS AUSPICIOUS VISION

-INTO THE FOREST

-HIS MARRIAGE

-THE REAL AUSPICIOUS DAY

 UNIT-II

 Elucidate the story of the THE ROSE AND THE NIGHTINGALE.

 -INTRODUCTION

 -NIGHTINGALE’S LOVE FOR THE STUDENT

-THE SEARCHING OF THE RED ROSE

-THE NIGHTINGALE’S SINGING

- THE SACRIFICE OF THE NIGHTINGALE

-CONCLUSION

 UNIT –III

ELABORATE THE IMPORTANCE OF JEWISH COMMUNITY.

 -INTRODUCTION

 -BERL AND BELCHA

 -TRADITIONS OF A JEW

 -JEWISH CHARACTERISTICS IN THE STORY

 -CONCLUSION

UNIT-IV

EXPLAIN THE STORY A NINCOMPOOP AS A SOCIAL REFLECTION.

-INTRODUCTION

-SURVIVAL OF JULIA

-SOCIAL SIGNIFICANCE THROUGH STORY

-CONCLUSION

UNIT-V

BRINGOUT THE DELICATE EXPERIENCE OF THE CHILDREN.

-INTRODUCTION

-THE ARRANGEMENT FOR PARTY

-CHILDREN’S EXPECTATION

-THE DELICIOUS FOODS

-THE PARTY COSTUMES

-CONCLUSION