

POETRY FOR EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

PART II - ENGLISH

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QUESTION BANK

- I. Answer the following questions in about a sentence or two.
1. Why does the poet compare the world to a stage?
 2. How is man described in his second stage?
 3. From which play "All the world's a stage" is taken?
 4. What is the complaint of the schoolboy?
 5. Why did the poet choose the other road?
 6. What is the theme in the road not taken?
 7. Why did the poet leave the first road?
 8. What was the condition of the two roads?
 9. What was the poet in a fix?
 10. What does the poet request of the west wind and why?
 11. Why is the west wind called the destroyer and preserver?
 12. What is the main theme of ode to the west wind?
 13. What kind of poem is the west wind?
 14. What is the meaning of La Belle Dame Sans merci?

15. what did the beautiful lady give the knight at arms to eat?
16. what is a ballad?
17. what did the knight see in his dreadful dream?
18. what season is the poem "La Belle Dame Sans Merci" set in?
19. what is the theme of Tennyson's poem "Ulysses"?
20. To whom is Ulysses speaking in "Ulysses"?
21. what does Ulysses think of his wife?
22. who is Telemachus?
23. who is Ulysses in the Tennyson poem, "Ulysses"?
24. why is Ulysses unhappy in his kingdom?
25. why did the Duke stop all smiles?
26. who is the speaker in "My Last Duchess"?
27. Did the Duke kill the Duchess why?
28. To whom is the Duke of Ferrara speaking?
29. How is the poem "My Last Duchess" a dramatic monologue?
30. what is the theme of the poem "A Prayer for my Daughter"?

31. What was the name of Yeats's daughter?
32. Why does Yeats blame Helen?
33. Why is Maud Gonne referred to in the poem?
34. How long did the journey of the Magi take?
35. What time of the year the Magi travelling?
36. What did the Magi see in the horizon?
37. What is the theme in the unknown citizen?
38. Who is the speaking in the unknown citizen?
39. Why was the unknown citizen called a 'saint'?
40. What does the "JS" refer to?
41. What does the poem Night of Scorpion say about a mother?
42. Why did the peasants search for the Scorpion?
43. What is the theme of the poem Night of the Scorpion?
44. What did the holy man do to tame the poison?
45. How did the Scorpion part with its poison?
46. What was the prayer of the peasants?
47. Why does he call tail diabolic?
48. Why did the mother thank God?

II. Answer the following question in about 150 words each

1. Describe the second stage of life as depicted by Shakespeare.
2. Explain the stage of Justice?
3. How does Shakespeare satirize man in different stages?
4. What does Robert Frost mean by 'way leads on to way'?
5. Which road would you choose and why?
6. What is the theme of the poem 'The Road Not Taken'?
7. Describe the various functions of the west wind.
8. How is 'ode to The West wind' a revolutionary poem?
9. What is the theme of the poem 'ode to The West Wind'?
10. Describe the dream of the knight.
11. What are the signs that show us that the knight is suffering?
12. Describe the experience of the knight in 'La Belle Dame Sans Merci'?

13. what is the theme of Tennyson's poem "Ulysses"?
14. Bring out the differences in the attitudes of Ulysses and Telemachus?
15. what does Ulysses think of the people of his Kingdom in 'Ulysses'?
16. write a critical analysis of Robert Browning "My Last Duchess"?
17. Sketch the character of Duke.
18. How does Yeats want his daughter to grow up.
19. what qualities does Yeats want his daughter to develop?
20. what is the background of the poem "Journey of the Magi" by T.S. Eliot.
21. Explain the title of the poem Journey of the Magi by T.S. Eliot?
22. Give a critical appreciation of "The unknown citizen" by W.H. Auden.
23. why is the unknown citizen called a Saint?
24. How did the mother react to the scorpion bite?
25. Narrate the incident describe 'night of the scorpion'.

III Write the ESSAYS in about 500 words each:

1. What is the theme of the poem "All the world's a stage"?
2. How has Shakespeare effectively described the 'seven stages of man' through the words of Jacques?
3. Describe "ode to the west wind"?
4. What idea other than death and rebirth could you infer from the poem 'ode to the west wind'?
5. How do the poetic elements used in La Belle Dame Sans Merci add to its theme?
6. What is the structure of a La Belle Dame Sans Merci?
7. Consider 'Ulysses' as a dramatic monologue.
8. Describe Browning's "My Last Duchess" as a dramatic monologue.
9. Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'My Last Duchess'?
10. Why was the poet so much worried about the future of his newborn daughter?

11. write a critical appreciation of the poem
A prayer for my daughter.
12. Describe the religious significance of 'Journey
of the Magi'.
13. Consider the poem 'The unknown citizen' as
a criticism of contemporary society?
14. Describe the symbolic significance of the
poem "The Road NOT Taken".
15. How did the mother respond after the recovery
in this poem 'night of the Scorpion'?
16. write a critical appreciation of the poem
'Night of the Scorpion'?

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