



FACULTY HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL
SAMPLE PAPER 19-20
CLASS-VIII
SUBJECT- ENGLISH-I

Full Marks-50

1. Answer the following questions in full sentences--- 1x15=15
- i. What did the Happy Prince send to the match girl?
 - ii. Where was the swallow heading to?
 - iii. Why did the swallow want to stay back with the happy prince?
 - iv. Who composed the poem 'Imagination'?
 - v. What pleased the narrator in the poem 'Imagination'?
 - vi. Who composed the poem 'If'?
 - vii. What advice the poet has given to the readers in 'If' to deal with when people around are angry?
 - viii. Write the meanings of- a. swooned. B. maidens
 - ix. What did the maidens do to make the widow of the warrior to vent out her grief?
 - x. Who is the merchant of Venice?
 - xi. From whom did Bassanio borrow money?
 - xii. Why did Shylock hate Anotio?
 - xiii. What was Framton Nuttle suffering from?
 - xiv. Why did Framton's sister hand him a letter of introduction?
 - xv. Who was the niece of Mrs. Sappleton?
2. Answer the following questions in around 30 words. 2x5=10
- i. State two reasons why the swallow did want to fly to Egypt?
 - ii. What relieved the narrator of 'Imagination' from the daily monotony of life?
 - iii. Did the old nurse succeed in making the widow weep out her grief? How?
 - iv. What sort of tragedy had happened in Mrs. Sappleton's life as narrated by her niece?
 - v. Why did Antonio fail to help Bassanio by lending him money?
3. Answer the following questions in around 50-80 words. 3x5=15
- i. Explain why has the poet labeled 'Disaster' and 'Triumph' as Imposters?
 - ii. How did the prince get the name 'Happy Prince.'
 - iii. Why did God appreciate the choice of the dead bird and the leaden heart to be the most precious to be installed in the paradise?
 - iv. "Portia's wit and intelligence makes her one of the strongest female characters in the Shakespearean male dominated theatrical world"----- Justify it in reference to the court scene in 'The Merchant Of Venice'
 - v. What reasons did the niece give to Mrs. Sappleton for the sudden exit of Mr. Framton Nuttle?
4. Answer the following questions in 80-100 words. 5x2=10
- i. Explain with reference to the context—
 "In my world of fantasy and imagination
 I perform such wonderful deeds."
 - ii. Saki has created the character of Vera with her special trait to weave stories and a knack for far fetched romances. Justify it in the light of the character analysis of Vera.
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Sample Paper Solution.**Sub- English I****Class-VIII**

1.

Ans-i. The swallow was heading to Egypt.

2.

Ansiii. Yes, the old nurse succeeded in her attempt to make the widow weep.

She placed the child of the widow on her knees and the widow realized that she had to live for the sake of the infant who was fatherless and do her duty of being a mother.

3.

Ans-iii. God appreciated the choice of the leaden heart and the dead bird as the most precious to be installed in the paradise because it was the leaden heart that had absorbed all the grief around and tried its best to reach out to help people. The dead bird had given away its life being the messenger of the Happy Prince and plucking all the riches of the Happy Prince to deliver them to the needy and be the reason of smike to many whose plights were over looked.

4.

Ans-I- The above lines are extracted from the poem, 'Imagination' composed by G.B Shaw.

This poem is an expression of the poet of how through the route of imagination, which is triggered by reading books, a person can easily escape the monotonous daily worries and boredom and venture into a world that soothes his mind.

Through these lines the poet emphasizes that the narrator is potent to live the life of his dreams and accomplish all tours round the cosmos not in the real, rather in the world of his fantasy..