

MSCE ENGLISH PAPER III PROVISIONAL MARKING KEY

1. POETRY

- a. a girl who is forced into marriage
- b. Helpless- forced into marriage /hopeful/persevering
- c. It is sad as the poem talks about the young girl who is forced into a marriage. / the persona has been sold by a sack of flour and two goats / people are not concerned about the plight of the young girl sent into marriage
- d.
 - (i) She feels useless/unimportant/valueless
 - (ii) She is so angry with her situation that she wishes she killed many people who are responsible for her situation.
- e.
 - (i) murder millions/big bee/munched my
 - (ii) big bee / a corpse that slumbers while walking / my owner / me now is history / virginity is but a mere story
- f. The persona believes that the big bee and her owner will see her shine despite her plight.

2. SHORT STORY

- a. (i) third person point of view
(ii) The narrator is not directly involved in the story and use of pronouns he and they
- b. humorous / amusing / comical / happy etc as the story is laughable when Bwangandu thinks that he has resurrected from the dead
- c. Urban setting as the story is taking place in Kaziwa township.
- d. Bwangandu drinks excessively which his wives do not want.
- e. simile
- f. Bwangandu is punished for evils of excessive beer drinking.
- g. Nachitala is talkative / emotional / impatient etc
- h. Irresponsibility, carelessness, alcohol abuse etc

3. THE PEARL

- a. The pearl is evil.
 - ✓ Kino beats Juana because of the pearl.



- ✓ The doctor poisons Coyotito because of the pearl.
- ✓ Kino is wounded while sleeping in his house by a thief who wants to steal his pearl.
- ✓ Kino's house is burnt because of the pearl.
- ✓ Kino's canoe is holed because of the pearl.
- ✓ Kino and his family are being followed by trackers because of the pearl.
- ✓ Trackers are killed because of the pearl.
- ✓ The pearl buyers connive to cheat Kino because of the pearl.
- ✓ Coyotito is killed because of the pearl.
- ✓ Each of the pearl buyer's agents wish their boss were dead in order to own the pearl business because of Kino's pearl.

b.

(i) Social injustice

- Kino beats Juana severely when she wants to throw the pearl in the sea
- Unknown people burn Kino's brush house with greedy desires of stealing the pearl
- The doctor refuses to treat Kino's son Coyotito because they are poor Indians and have no money to pay him.
- Pearl buyers deceive Kino that his pearl is valueless so that they buy it a low price and gain more.

(ii) responsibility

- ✓ Kino wants to send Coyotito to school when he sells the pearl of the world.
- ✓ Kino and Juana takes Coyotito to the doctor.
- ✓ Kino and Juana go pearling to find a pearl for Kino's treatment.
- ✓ Juan Tomas protects his brother, Kino, from being caught.
- ✓ Kino tries hard to protect his family when it is in danger of the trackers who are following them.
- ✓ Juan Tomas gives pieces of advice to his brother, Kino e.g. warning him pearl buyers' deception and exploitation. He also warns him about the dangers of selling the pearl in the city alone.

4. MACBETH

a. characters who conspire against others

- ✓ Macdonwald plot with his Western Isles soldiers to rebel against Duncan.
- ✓ Macbeth and Lady Macbeth plot to murder King Duncan.
- ✓ Macbeth and Lady Macbeth plot to accuse King Duncan's chamberlains of murder.
- ✓ The three witches plot to punish a sailor.
- ✓ The witches plot to bring about Macbeth's downfall.
- ✓ Thane of Cawdor and Norwegians show conspiracy by plotting to overthrow King Duncan.
- ✓ Macbeth plots with servants of noblemen to spy for him.
- ✓ Macbeth and murderers plot to murder Banquo and Fleance.
- ✓ There is conspiracy between Macbeth and the murderers to eliminate Macduff's family.
- ✓ Macduff and Malcolm plot to topple Macbeth.

b.

ROSS

- ✓ is **observant**. He gives the king a very detailed report about the Fife battlefield situation showing that showing that he has been watching the tides at the battlefield closely.
- ✓ is **loyal**. He serves King Duncan steadfastly.
- ✓ is **empathetic**. He is sympathetic for Macduff's family and Macduff himself.
- ✓ is **cautious**. He does not openly oppose King Macbeth. Ross remains close to Macbeth while his allegiance is to Malcolm.
- ✓ is **daring**. He spies on Macbeth. Ross remains close to Macbeth for some time and sneaks out of Scotland to report his observations to Malcolm and Macduff.
- ✓ is **patriotic**. He loves his country. Ross deeply grieves the frequent deaths that tyrannical Macbeth inflicts on Scottish citizens.
- ✓ is **dutiful**. He obligingly reports about war to the king and runs on errands for him.



(ii) THE THANE OF CAWDOR

- ✓ is **deceitful**. He shows false loyalty to King Duncan as he aids Norwegians in the fight against his country (Scotland) and the king.
- ✓ is **remorseful**. Before he is executed, he repents of his sin.
- ✓ is **ambitious**. He aids the Norwegians to gain some favours from the Norwegians.
- ✓ is **daring**. He risks provoking the king's anger by aiding the Norwegian enemies in the fight against Scotland.
- ✓ is **rebellious / traitorous** He assists the Norwegian invaders in the fight against his country.

(i)

