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ENGLISH

CLASS-XII

- ENGLISH PROSE
- ENGLISH POETRY
- ENGLISH SHORT STORIES
- PLAY: THE MERCHANT OF VENICE

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PREFACE

The present English **Prose, Poetry, Play** and **Short Stories** have been especially prepared for the Class-12. The purpose behind the book is to help the students to develop their linguistic abilities and to acquire sufficient command over the specified language items. The Government has replaced English Prose, Poetry, Play and Short Stories Text Books with only one Text Book. There are seven lessons in Prose, ten lessons in Poetry and four lessons in Short Stories. Each lesson deals with a different theme. All the lessons are short, simple and within the comprehension range of the learners. They suit their age, interest and experience. The book also includes the elements of wit, humour and suspense. In every lesson, there is an introductory note about the author and the lesson to arouse the interest of the learners. At the end of the lesson, there is glossary in which the meaning of the difficult words, phrases and idiomatic sentences is given in English. After the glossary, there are different types of exercises - Passages for Explanation, Short Answer Type Questions and Vocabulary exercises.

In the beginning of English Poetry the brief information about Poetry is given. What is Poetry, function of Poetry, Kinds of Poetry and figures of speech are also given in the poetry section. All Poems in this book have been well designed and planned according to the syllabus prescribed by Madhyamic Shiksha Parishad, U.P., Prayagraj. Each of these Poems begin with an introduction to the Poet and Poem.

Critical appreciation and meaning of difficult words are given in English as well as in Hindi. In this end of, Exercises on each of the Poems enable the students to practice whatever he has understood by reading the poem. The passages for explanation have also been given.

There are four stories in the book 'English Short Stories'. All of them are easy, simples, lucid and interesting. They are universal in appeal and touch our hearts to the core. It also provides some moral values in their actual life so that learners may become ideal citizens in future. In every lesson, there is an introductory note about the life and works of the author and the story to arose the interest of the learners to read the lesson Short Answer Type Questions are given for practice.

Play 'The Merchant of Venice' has been especially prepared for the Class-XII. 'The Merchant of Venice' is one of the greatest dramas in world literature. The study of this play is a profound experience which no student of literature should deny to himself. The purpose behind the play is to help the students to develop their linguistic abilities.

The teachers are advised to prepare and plan the questions in advance to get better results in getting all the exercises given after the lessons.

It is hoped that the book will help the students to achieve their objectives.

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English - XII

इस विषय में 100 अंकों का एक प्रश्न-पत्र होगा। प्रश्न-पत्र 3 घण्टे 15 मिनट का होगा

Note: (1) The whole question paper is divided into two sections, Section-A and Section-B.

- (2) Section-A will contain of Prose, Poetry, Short Stories and the Play 'The Merchant of Venice.'
- (3) Section-B will contain General English.

	Section-A	50 अंक
1.	Prose	16 अंक
	(a) Explanation with reference to the context (one passage)	8 अंक
	(b) One short answer type question (not to exceed 30 words)	4 अंक
	(c) Vocabulary (based on text)	4 × 1 = 4 अंक
2.	Poetry	14 अंक
	(a) Explanation with reference to the context (one extract)	8 अंक
	(b) Central Idea of any one poem	6 अंक
3.	Play: One long answer type question (not to exceed 75 words)	8 अंक
4.	Short Stories : Two short answer type questions (answer not to exceed 30 words each)	4 + 4 = 8 अंक
5.	Figures of Speech	4 अंक
	Definition of any one of the following with two examples.	
	(Simile, Metaphor, Personification, Apostrophe, Oxymoron, Onomatopoeia, Hyperbole)	2 + 2 = 4 अंक
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	8. My Heaven	Rabindra Nath Tagore
	9. Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening	Robert Frost
	10. The Song of the Free	Swami Vivekanand
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