

Answer key for the Appreciation of Literary Texts- grade 11, 2nd term test 2019.

Part I

Section A

- (i)
 - a) Father and Son by Cat Stevens
 - b) Adults /son's voice
 - c) The extract reveals a son's thoughts about the adults when he is grown up. According to the son the adults do not understand what he needs because they think they are right. The son is having his own views and in need of taking his own decisions in life.
- (ii)
 - a) Richard Cory by Edwin Arlington Robinson
 - b) People in Down Town/ Ordinary people/ workers
Very poor people who lead a hard life. They worked so hard with a dream, to be rich people like Richard Cory one day.
 - c) Irony
Down Town people are toiling hard to achieve the luxurious position and riches enjoyed by Richard Cory. But when Richard Cory commits suicide they understand that they had been mistaken. Richard Cory had not really been enjoying so called happiness in his luxuries. Among all his riches and luxuries had really leading a miserable life. Therefore he had not been in the real light people imagined.
- (iii)
 - a) The Lumber Room by Saki
 - b) Aunt speaks these words to Nicholas
 - c) unkindness / cruelty / revengefulness
- (iv)
 - a) Wave by Sonali Deraniyagala
 - b) He -The driver of the jeep
She -Beulah / Orlantha's mother
 - c) guilty conscious and helpless/frightened/panic stricken
- (v)
 - a) From the play, "Twilight of a Crane" by Yu Zuwa Jungi Kinoshita
 - b) Tsu speaks to Yahyo
 - c) Tsu is annoyed and worried at Yohyo's unexpected change in behavior and pleading him to love her as before
- (vi)
 - a) From the play, "The Bear " by Anton Chekhov
 - b) Smirnov to Popova

- c)The speaker has a mocking attitude /The speaker is ironical towards Popova as he considers women to be illogical and weak gender

Section B

a)

- 1) Jagan receiving a letter from Mali from America after waiting for a long time

Hopelessly.

He – Jagan

- 2) Jagan/ He is impatient to open the letter/read the letter

- 3) thrust - to push suddenly

gashed - to make a long deep cut in something

- 4)This shows Jagan's great love towards his son, Mali. When he receives the letter he doesn't wait to read the instructions but hurries to open it. Jagan is eager to learn about Mali's news /new situation

b)

- 1) a man, a woman and a young girl followed by a crowd to be killed for the crimes they have Committed.

- 2)On the fourth day of Tom's kingship after attending to his ordinary duties, he had Wandered to a window and saw the hooting and shouting of the mob and wanted to know What it is about and a message came and reported that a man, woman and a young girl is taken to be killed for the crimes they have committed.

- 3)wrung heart strings - He is pressed or compressed with pity and sadness

Grisly fate - horrifying destiny

- 4)His kindness and compassion towards the helpless/ innocent people/His kindheartedness

The late king was cruel and wicked/ unsympathetic.

But Tom is kind, sympathetic, compassionate

c)

- 1) The speaker coming back home from Depanama after completing the duties assigned to him by his mother

- 2)The speaker is carrying a heavy dressing table mirror in one hand and a bag of provisions

In the other.

3) adjust – to change slightly

Ease - to lessen/to make less severe

4)The speaker is dead tired/ exhausted after completing his assignment. He badly needs

A rest after walking a long distance / he is not relaxed.