

Chapter End Test - 1

Date : _____	English	BATCH
Duration: 1 Hr. Max. Marks : 25	Topic : A Letter to God, Dust of Snow, Fire and Ice	X

Disclaimer: The objective is to test the understanding of the children. The objective of the long question is to write coherently in more than one paragraph.

General instruction:

1. This paper consist of two Sections. Students has to attempt both sections.
2. Section – A is objective carry 1 mark each.
3. Section – B is subjective.

[Section – A]

1. A letter to God was written by [1]
(a) Ruskin Bond (b) G.L. Fuentes (c) O. Henry (d) James Herriot
2. The crop that got destroyed was [1]
(a) wheat (b) corn (c) barley (d) rice
3. Lencho's manner of posting the letter showed that [1]
(a) he was truly innocent and simple (b) he was greedy
(c) he needed education (d) he was ignorant and stupid
4. Lencho went out into the rain to [1]
(a) enjoy himself
(b) collect rainwater
(c) to stop his children from playing in the rain
(d) have the pleasure of feeling the rain
5. The house stood on [1]
(a) the crest of a low hill (b) a deep valley
(c) the crest of mountain (d) on the river bank
6. Who shook down the hemlock tree? [1]
(a) Crow (b) Cuckoo (c) Mynah (d) Parrot
7. What fell on the poet? [1]
(a) The dust of tree (b) The dust of snow (c) Raindrops (d) An apple
8. What does crow generally symbolise? [1]
(a) Happiness (b) Good fortune (c) Bad omen (d) Life
9. What was the effect of the fall of the dust of snow on the poet? [1]
(a) Changed his mood (b) Changed his luck
(c) Changed his job (d) Changed the environment
10. What was saved for the poet? [1]
(a) Crow (b) Tree
(c) Snow (d) Some part of the day
11. What does violent desire refer to? [1]
(a) Fire (b) Ice (c) Storm (d) River

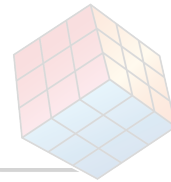
- 12.** What does 'ice' symbolise? **[1]**
(a) Love (b) Hatred (c) Violent desire (d) None of these
- 13.** Who is the poet of the poem? **[1]**
(a) William Wordsworth (b) William Couper
(c) Robert Frost (d) William Blake
- 14.** Which poetic device has the poet used while saying that the world will end in fire? **[1]**
(a) Simile (b) Metaphor (c) Hyperbole (d) Oxymoron
- 15.** What is the rhyme scheme of the poem, 'Fire and Ice'? **[1]**
(a) ab aba cded (b) aabb aabb (c) abaa bcbcb (d) abba abba

[Section – B]

- 16.** What do the 'crow' and 'hemlock' represent joy or sorrow? What does the dust of snow that the crow shakes off a hemlock tree stand for? **[2]**
- 17.** "I wish I had the faith of the man." Describe Lencho's character in the light of the above statement. (word limit 100 – 120 words) **[8]**



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Hints/Solutions to Chapter End Test

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1. (b)
2. (b)
3. (a)
4. (d)
5. (a)
6. (a)
7. (b)
8. (c)
9. (a)
10. (d)
11. (a)
12. (b)
13. (c)
14. (b)
15. (c)
16. The 'crow' and 'hemlock' generally are considered as harbinger of sorrow and seen as the 'bad omen'. They represent the dark, depressive, sorrowful and bitter side of nature. The dust of snow that the crow shakes off a hemlock tree, stands for something good and joyful. It changed his mood.
17. Lencho – a hardworking farmer – laboured like an ox had good knowledge of farming – knew his crops needed a downpour - to give him good yield.
Lencho had great faith in God. – knew how to read and write – wrote a letter to God for help when his crops were totally ruined by hailstones.
A simple and innocent farmer – could not reason out things – blamed the post-office employees – for cheating him of 30 pesos – called them 'a bunch of crooks'.
A caring head of the family – got sad and worried that his family would have to go hungry.