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Date

Scholarship Examination

Subject: English

Paper: II

Time: 1 hour

Total Marks

Instructions

- Answer **all** questions in part A and **ONE** question in part B.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 40
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
 - *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Write your answers neatly and in good English.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Part A: Summary

It was on a dreary night of November that I beheld the accomplishment of my toils. With an anxiety that almost amounted to agony, I collected the instruments of life around me that I might infuse a spark of being into the lifeless thing that lay at my feet. It was already one in the morning; the rain pattered dismally against the panes, and my candle was nearly burnt out, when, by the glimmer of the half-extinguished light, I saw the dull yellow eye of the creature open; it breathed hard, and a convulsive motion agitated its limbs. How can I describe my emotions at this catastrophe, or how delineate the wretch whom with such infinite pains and care I had endeavoured to form? His limbs were in proportion, and I had selected his features as beautiful. Beautiful! -- Great God! His yellow skin scarcely covered the work of muscles and arteries beneath; his hair was of a lustrous black, and flowing; his teeth of a pearly whiteness; but these luxuriances only formed a more horrid contrast with his watery eyes, that seemed almost of the same colour as the dun white sockets in which they were set, his shrivelled complexion and straight black lips.

The different accidents of life are not so changeable as the feelings of human nature. I had worked hard for nearly two years, for the sole purpose of infusing life into an inanimate body. For this I had deprived myself of rest and health.

From Frankenstein by Mary Shelley

Answer the following questions:

1. Give an alternative word for toils [line 1], infuse [line 2], dismally [line 3], endeavoured [line 7], inanimate [line 13]. [5 marks]
2. Using your own words write a summary of what you know about the protagonist's creation. [10 marks]

PART B: COMPOSITION

Write about 350 words on **one** of the following questions.

Up to 10 marks are available for content and structure of your answer, and up to 10 marks for style of writing.

Descriptive writing

1. Describe a Beloved Place.

OR

2. Describe a visit to a big city.

Narrative writing

3. Write a story which includes the following line '....As they approached the massive iron gates, they were aware of a shadow....'

OR

4. Write a story entitled, 'A New Beginning'.

[25 marks]