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# Scholarship Examination

Subject: English

Paper: III

Time: 1 hour

Total Marks

/25

## Instructions

- Read the poem carefully and then answer **all the** questions

## Information

- The total mark for this paper is 25
- 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.
- Use supporting evidence/quotes to support your points.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

## **Anthem for Doomed Youth**

BY WILFRED OWEN

What passing-bells for these who die as cattle?  
— Only the monstrous anger of the guns.  
Only the stuttering rifles' rapid rattle  
Can patter out their hasty orisons.  
No mockeries now for them; no prayers nor bells;  
Nor any voice of mourning save the choirs,—  
The shrill, demented choirs of wailing shells;  
And bugles calling for them from sad shires.

What candles may be held to speed them all?  
Not in the hands of boys, but in their eyes  
Shall shine the holy glimmers of goodbyes.  
The pallor of girls' brows shall be their pall;  
Their flowers the tenderness of patient minds,  
And each slow dusk a drawing-down of blinds.

**orisons**-prayers

**bugle**-trumpet

**dusk** – sunset

**pall**-the cloth that is placed over a coffin

1. Explain the title of the poem. **3 marks**
2. Find a sound device and explain its effectiveness. **3 marks**
3. Find and explain two images in the poem that relate to death, funerals and mourning. **5 marks**
4. *Rhetorical questions are questions that do not require an answer. They are written to make the reader think about the topic being addressed.*  
Explain how Owen uses rhetorical questions in 'Anthem for Doomed Youth' effectively? **4 marks**
5. In about 2 paragraphs discuss Owen's views on war and use quotes to support your points. **10 marks**