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LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

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Paper 2 Drama

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You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer two questions.
- Your questions may be on the same play, or on two different plays.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- All questions are worth equal marks.



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LORRAINE HANSBERRY: A Raisin in the Sun

Remember to support your ideas with details from the text.

1	Read this passage, and then answer the question that follows it:

BENEATHA goes to the door and opens it as WALTER and RUTH go on with the clowning.

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Ruth: [still innocently]: Would you like another chair – you don't look comfortable.

[from Act 2, Scene 3]

How does Hansberry make this such a dramatic and significant moment in the play?

Does Hansberry persuade you to feel both sorry for Walter and angry with him?Do not use the passage in Question 1 in answering this question.

ARTHUR MILLER: The Crucible

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3 Read this passage, and then answer the question that follows it:

Hale: Sit you down, sir. [PROCTOR sits.]

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What's your suspicion, Mr Hale?

[from Act 2]

In what ways does Miller make this such a disturbing moment in the play?

4 How far does Miller's portrayal of Abigail Williams make it possible for you to have any sympathy for her?

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TERENCE RATTIGAN: The Winslow Boy

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5 Read this passage, and then answer the question that follows it:

Sir Robert: Miss Winslow, might I be rude enough to ask you for a little of your excellent whisky? Catherine: Of course. [CATHERINE goes into the dining-room. SIR ROBERT, left alone, droops his shoulders wearily. He subsides into a chair. When CATHERINE enters with 5 the whisky he straightens his shoulders instinctively but does not rise.] Sir Robert: That is very kind. Perhaps you would forgive me not getting up? The heat in that court-room was really so infernal. [He takes the glass from her and drains it quickly.] Catherine [noticing his hand is trembling slightly]: Are you feeling all right, Sir Robert? 10 Sir Robert: Just a slight nervous reaction – that is all. Besides, I have not been feeling myself all day. I told the judge so this morning, if you remember, but I doubt if he believed me. He thought it was a trick. What suspicious minds people have, have they not? Catherine: Yes. 15 Sir Robert [handing her back the glass]: Thank you. [CATHERINE puts the glass down. She turns slowly to face SIR ROBERT as if nerving herself for an ordeal. Catherine: Sir Robert, I'm afraid I have a confession and an apology to make to you. Sir Robert 20 [sensing what is coming]: My dear young lady-I am sure the one is rash and the other superfluous. I would far rather hear neither-Catherine [with a smile]: I am afraid you must. This is probably the last time I shall see you, and it is a better penance for me to say this than to write it. I have entirely misjudged your attitude to this case, and if in doing so I have ever seemed to you either rude or ungrateful, I am sincerely and humbly sorry. 25 Sir Robert [indifferently]: My dear Miss Winslow, you have never seemed to me either rude or ungrateful. And my attitude to this case has been the same as yours-a determination to win at all costs. Only-when you talk of gratitude-you must remember that those costs were not mine but yours. Catherine: Weren't they yours also, Sir Robert? 30

I beg your pardon?

Wouldn't they?

Sir Robert:

Catherine:

Sir Robert

Catherine:

Haven't you, too, made a very special sacrifice for the case?

[after a pause]: The robes of that office would not have suited me.

Sir Robert	[with venom]: And what is more, I fully intend to report Curry to the Law Society. [He rises.]	35
Catherine:	Please don't. He did me a great service by telling me—	
Sir Robert:	Well, I must ask you never to divulge it to another living soul, and even to forget it yourself.	
Catherine:	I shall never divulge it. I'm afraid I can't promise to forget it myself.	40
Sir Robert:	Very well! If you choose to endow an unimportant incident with a romantic significance, you are perfectly at liberty to do so. I must go. [He offers his hand to CATHERINE.]	
Catherine:	Why are you always at such pains to prevent people knowing the truth about you, Sir Robert?	45
Sir Robert:	Am I indeed?	
Catherine:	You know you are. Why?	
Sir Robert:	Perhaps because I do not know the truth about myself.	
Catherine:	That is no answer.	
Sir Robert:	My dear Miss Winslow, are you cross-examining me?	50

[from Act 2]

How does Rattigan make this a striking and revealing moment in the play?

6 How does Rattigan memorably contrast John Watherstone and Desmond Curry in the play?

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE: Macbeth

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7 Read this passage, and then answer the question that follows it:

Inverness. MACBETH's castle.

[Enter LADY MACBETH.]

Lady Macbeth: That which hath made them drunk hath made me bold;

What hath guench'd them hath given me fire. Hark! Peace!

It was the owl that shriek'd, the fatal bell-man, Which gives the stern'st good-night. He is about it.

The doors are open; and the surfeited grooms

Do mock their charge with snores. I have drugg'd their possets,

That death and nature do contend about them,

Whether they live or die.

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Macbeth [within]: Who's there! What, ho!

Lady Macbeth: Alack! I am afraid they have awak'd,

And 'tis not done. Th' attempt, and not the deed, Confounds us. Hark! I laid their daggers ready; He could not miss 'em. Had he not resembled

My father as he slept, I had done't.

[Enter MACBETH.]

My husband!

Macbeth: I have done the deed. Didst thou not hear a noise?

Lady Macbeth: I heard the owl scream and the crickets cry.

Did not you speak?

Macbeth: When?

Lady Macbeth: Now.

Macbeth: As I descended?

Lady Macbeth: Ay.

Macbeth: Hark!

Who lies i' th' second chamber?

Lady Macbeth: Donalbain.

Macbeth: This is a sorry sight.

[Looking on his hands.] 30

Lady Macbeth: A foolish thought to say a sorry sight.

Macbeth: There's one did laugh in's sleep, and one cried 'Murder!'

That they did wake each other. I stood and heard them;

But they did say their prayers, and address'd them Again to sleep.

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Lady Macbeth: There are two lodg'd together.

Macbeth: One cried 'God bless us', and 'Amen' the other,

As they had seen me with these hangman's hands.

List'ning their fear, I could not say 'Amen'

When they did say 'God bless us!'

Lady Macbeth: Consider it not so deeply.

Macbeth: But wherefore could not I pronounce 'Amen'?

I had most need of blessing, and 'Amen'

Stuck in my throat.

Lady Macbeth: These deeds must not be thought

After these ways: so, it will make us mad.

[from Act 2, Scene 2]

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In what ways does Shakespeare make this such a terrifying moment in the play?

8 How far does Shakespeare make you feel sympathy for Macbeth?

Do **not** use the passage printed in **Question 7** in answering this question.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE: Romeo and Juliet

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9 Read this passage, and then answer the question that follows it:

Friar Lawrence's cell.

[Enter FRIAR LAWRENCE and COUNTY PARIS.]

Friar Lawrence: On Thursday, sir? The time is very short.

Paris: My father Capulet will have it so,

And I am nothing slow to slack his haste.

Friar Lawrence: You say you do not know the lady's mind;

Uneven is the course; I like it not.

Paris: Immoderately she weeps for Tybalt's death,

And therefore have I little talk'd of love;
For Venus smiles not in a house of tears.

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Now, sir, her father counts it dangerous That she do give her sorrow so much sway, And in his wisdom hastes our marriage, To stop the inundation of her tears;

Which, too much minded by herself alone,

May be put from her by society.

Now do you know the reason of this haste.

Friar Lawrence [aside]: I would I knew not why it should be slow'd. –

Look, sir, here comes the lady toward my cell.

[Enter JULIET.] 20

Paris: Happily met, my lady and my wife!

Juliet: That may be, sir, when I may be a wife.

Paris: That may be must be, love, on Thursday next.

Juliet: What must be shall be.

Friar Lawrence: That's a certain text. 25

Paris: Come you to make confession to this father?

Juliet: To answer that, I should confess to you.

Paris: Do not deny to him that you love me.

Juliet: I will confess to you that I love him.

Paris: So will ye, I am sure, that you love me. 30

Juliet: If I do so, it will be of more price

Being spoke behind your back than to your face.

Paris: Poor soul, thy face is much abus'd with tears.

Juliet: The tears have got small victory by that,

For it was bad enough before their spite.

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Paris: Thou wrong'st it more than tears with that report.

Juliet: That is no slander, sir, which is a truth;

And what I spake, I spake it to my face.

Paris: Thy face is mine, and thou hast sland'red it.

Juliet: It may be so, for it is not mine own.

Are you at leisure, holy father, now, Or shall I come to you at evening mass?

Friar Lawrence: My leisure serves me, pensive daughter, now.

My lord, we must entreat the time alone.

Paris: God shield I should disturb devotion! 45

Juliet, on Thursday early will I rouse ye; Till then, adieu, and keep this holy kiss.

[Exit.

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Juliet: O, shut the door, and when thou hast done so,

Come weep with me – past hope, past cure, past help.

Friar Lawrence: O, Juliet, I already know thy grief;

It strains me past the compass of my wits.

I hear thou must, and nothing may prorogue it,
On Thursday next be married to this County.

[from Act 4, Scene 1]

How does Shakespeare make this such a tense moment in the play?

10 In what ways does Shakespeare's use of violence make the play so powerfully dramatic?

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