

## **English literature Revision PT4**

### **PROSE**

#### **A.ERC:**

##### **1.Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:**

a)The water pelted window panes, running down the charred west side where the house had been burned, evenly free of its white paint. The entire west face of the house was black, save for five places.

i.Name the lesson and the author.

ii.What had burned the house?

iii.Explain the phrase 'evenly free of its white paint'.

iv.What were the 'five places' mentioned in the above lines?

b).The crash. The attic smashing into the kitchen and parlour. The parlour into the cellar. Cellar into sub- cellar.Deep freeze ,armchair, film tapes, circuits, beds, and all like skeletons thrown in a cluttered mound deep under.

i.what does ' crash' refer to?

ii.Give the meaning of' parlour'

iii.Use the word ' parlour' in your own sentence.

iv.What was the reason for the attic to smash?

##### **B. Answer the following;(20-40 words)**

1 what did the automated house prepare for breakfast?

2.What is missing in the routine of activity that the house performs in ' There Will Come Soft Rains'

##### **C. Answer the following (30-40 words)**

1.What is the significance of the poem

### **POETRY**

#### **D.ERC:-**

a) May the poison purify your flesh  
Of desire, and your spirit of ambition,  
They said, and they sad around  
On the floor with my mother in the centre,  
The peace of understanding on each face.

- i) What good did the villagers hope that the poison would do?
- ii) Explain the phrase 'Peace of Understanding.'
- iii. Identify the figure of speech.

b) They clicked their tongues.  
With every movement that the scorpion made  
his poison moved in Mother's blood, they said.

- i) Who are "they" in the above passage?
- ii) How did "they" contribute to the mother's suffering?
- iii. Use 'clicked' in your own sentence.

**E. Answer the following:-(20-30 words)**

- i. How did the peasants view the stinging in a positive manner?
- ii. How was the poet's father different?

**F. Character sketch:-**

- i. Mother
- ii. Father

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