

## Examination Papers.

### ANSWERS TO EXAMINATION QUESTIONS.

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THIRD CLASS TEACHERS.  
ENGLISH COMPOSITION.

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TIME.—TWO HOURS.

NOTE.—80 per cent. to constitute a full paper.

1. Re-write in your own words, prose form, the substance of the following lines:—

The Eternal, to prevent such horrid fray,  
Hung forth in Heaven his golden scales, yet seen  
Betwixt Astrea and the Scorpion's sign,  
Wherein all things created first he weigh'd,  
The pendulous round earth with balanced air  
In counterpoise; now ponders all events,  
Battles and realms: in these he puts two weights,  
The sequel each of parting and of fight:  
The latter quick flew up, and kick'd the beam;  
Which Gabriel spying, thus bespake the fiend:  
"Satan, I know thy strength and thou  
knowest mine;

Neither our own, but given; what folly then  
To boast what arms can do! since thine no more  
Than Heaven permits; nor mine, though  
doubled now

To trample thee as mire: for proof look up,  
And read thy lot in yon celestial sign,  
Where thou art weigh'd, and shown how light,  
how weak,

If thou resist." The fiend look'd up and knew  
His mounted scale aloft; nor more; but fled  
Murm'ring, and with him fled the shades of night.

2. Write a letter inviting Mr. and Mrs. Smith to tea on Tuesday evening.

3. Write sentences illustrating the proper application of the following words: ability, faculty, talent; deed, exploit, achievement.

4. Correct or improve:—

- (a) He is prejudiced in his favor  
(b) The public will heartily endorse the sentiments uttered by the court  
(c) All words which are signs of complex ideas furnish matter of mistake  
(d) Where is the man or the lawyer either who has not read Guy Mannering?  
(e) Two great sins, one of omission and one of commission, have been committed by the states of Europe in modern times

5. Change the position of the phrases or clauses in the following sentence, in three different ways:

When they saw that their masters were likely to gain the day, these men rushed from their place of concealment with such weapons as they could get, that they might have their share in the victory and in the spoil.

6. Write an essay on one of the following subjects:

OLIVER CROMWELL: summary of the principal events of his life; nature and effects of his domestic and foreign policy; his character.

ENGLAND IN THE 18TH CENTURY: Characteristics of the chief men of the time in church and state; social and moral condition of the people; features of the law of the land; indications of the future state of society.

#### BEST ANSWERS.

I. There was a dispute Gabriel and Satan as to which should rule the other. Dispute and quarrelling are against the nature of God, so, to end it, He hung forth a pair of scales from heaven (the same scales in which he had weighed the earth, battles, and realms), and placed in them two small weights, one indicating that Gabriel and Satan should fight their quarrel out, the other that they should part. All waited to see which would outweigh the other—only a moment and the weight "fight" went quickly up to the beam. Gabriel thought this would settle matters quietly, nor was he mistaken: he spoke a few words to Satan something like these—"For all you rebel so persistently against divine authority you know very well that all that is

good in us comes from God. It is folly for us to meet in combat. God rules all, he can give the victory to whom he will. Take the warning that the flying up of yonder weight has given, and let us part. Satan's proud spirit was humbled for once, he saw his own weakness and worthlessness and seeing, fled swiftly into the darkness

II. Oshawa, July 14th, 1887.  
Dear Mr. & Mrs. Smith,—

A number of old friends are coming to tea on Thursday (to-morrow) evening, we should so much enjoy it if you would come too. It would make the circle complete. Won't you come?

Of course it will be informal.

I am, yours Sincerely

A. B.

(3) He has the ability to learn very rapidly at school, but he lacks application and perseverance.

That woman has a great faculty for managing, her household affairs go on with clock-like regularity.

The faculty of the Alma College is said to be a very efficient one.

He seems to have a talent for drawing and painting; only those who have a talent for it do it well.

Your deeds have all been evil; can you murmur that you now reap what you sowed?

Little brothers and sisters at home love to hear stories of the exploits of their big brothers at school.

It was a great achievement when Wolfe and his army scaled the heights of Quebec.

(4) (a) He is prepossessed in his favor.

(b) The sentiments uttered by the court will be heartily supported by the people.

(c) All words which may mean more than one thing must be used carefully or mistakes will be made.

(d) Where is the man or the lawyer who has not read Guy Mannering?

(e) The states of Europe in modern times have been guilty of two great sins; in one case they have done that which they should not have done, in the other they have left undone that which they should have done.

(5) These men, when they saw that their masters were likely to win the day, rushed from their place of concealment with such weapons as they could get that they might have their share in the spoil and in the victory.

That they might have their share in the victory and in the spoil, these men, with such weapons as they could get, rushed from their place of concealment when they saw that their masters were likely to win the day.

With such weapons as they could get these men rushed from their place of concealment—when they saw that their masters were likely to win the day—that they might have a share in the victory.

(6) Oliver Cromwell.

A Huntingdonshire farmer, then, after a few years, the greatest general in the world! Once unknown and obscure, now, revered and known throughout the civilized world.

Oliver Cromwell living his quiet meditative country life was unconsciously preparing himself for the part he played so well in the world's battle.

Every time of danger, tumult and strife, has brought before the world a spirit whose greatness has raised people's envy then their admiration. The man seems always to suit the time. When Cromwell undertook to train those raw young countrymen, who would have prophesied that he would one day rule justly in the stead of him whose tyrannies he went to break? People do not care to leap over a chasm, but they will walk round it, so those of Cromwell's day were won slowly but surely to know his greatness. Not all of them however, what man can hope to have the approbation of all? Cromwell's victories were by might of the sword. After Dunbar and Worcester he and his Ironsides reigned supreme. They were greatly feared, so much so that in Ireland even to this day "the curse of Cromwell on you" is only used in moments of deepest passion. The life of this great General was full of cares and troubles, there was too much upon his shoulders for one man to accom-

plish. Many misunderstood him and attributed his religious zeal to deceitful purposes. Carlyle has vindicated him so well that few indeed think that way now. With such a constitution—such an iron frame—Cromwell should have attained to a great age, but he became literally worn out and died at an age at which some men do their best work. Cromwell's works do follow him, but not so much as we might reasonably expect. His labors were so thoroughly hidden by Charles II. that we, in seeing them again, hardly remember we owe them to him.

Cromwell was in private life a loving faithful father and tender husband; he was extreme in matters of religion, but that we easily forgive, he erred on the right side.

God hung in the sky a pair of Golden scales, between Virgo and Scorpion. He weighed in them all that he had created, viz. the earth, the air, all events, &c. After these were weighed, he next weighed the result of a conflict between the Angel, Gabriel, and Satan. This was the real object for which they were placed in the sky.

He places the sequel of parting in one pan while that of conflict is put in the other. The effect on the beam is to show the lightness of fighting and the value of parting peacefully. The combatants saw and recognized the meaning of the weight. The angel Gabriel acknowledged his might as derived from God and pointed out to Satan the uselessness of further action, which Satan, as well, was able to perceive. Having been warned as to his fate in this contest the fiend, Satan, fled and with him darkness fled.

Monday, P.M.  
Mr. & Mrs. Brown wish the company of Mr. and Mrs. Smith to tea, Tuesday evening (tomorrow) at six.

3. You will impair your *faculties* by too close attention to your studies.

A man's *ability* is measured by the work which he is capable of doing.

Talent has no reference to natural parts.

Many of my boys are sons of families that have a good deal of natural talent for drawing.

The foul *deed* was committed some time last night.

The perfection of the steam-engine by Watt was a great *achievement*.

Captain Webb in swimming the Niagara performed a most daring *exploit*.

4. (a) He is influence on his own behalf.

(b) The public will heartily approve of the actions of the court.

(c) All the words which are signs of complex ideas furnish the material } for making mistakes.  
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(d) Where is the man who has not read "Guy Mannering."

(e) The sin of omission and of commission is being committed by the European States.

When Oliver Cromwell first saw the light of day in 1599 his parents little dreamed that the child would figure prominently in history, would be the ruler of England. Oliver's early life was of a very peaceful kind. Having enlisted in the army at an advanced age he took rapid strides by way of promotion from office to office. His iron will was best shown when civil war convulsed England from 1642 to 1645. He chose the side of freedom of personal rights and fear of God, sentiments of his every day life. After his election to Parliament his career became very marked. He rapidly became head of a strong party called the independents, and in no less degree did he win the respect of the army. His name is inseparably associated with the battles of Naseby, Marston Moor and Edgehill. He was very determined in his way and instigated the plot by which Charles I. was beheaded, his followers being the chief judges of that unhappy monarch. In 1653 he was raised to the dignity of Protector of England. However, he was not destined long to rule. His early actions and long trial in warfare broke the strong constitution of an iron will and on the 3rd of September 1658 Oliver died at Hampton Court, brought to an untimely grave by the loss of many of his children for whom none could do more. His