

SA II ENGLISH WORKSHEET

I. Answer the following in 3 – 4 sentences each:

1. What did the Professor mean by “intelligent reading”?
2. Private Quelch looked like a ‘Professor’ when the author first met him at the training depot. Why?
3. Give two instances to show that Private Quelch worked hard in pursuit of his ambition.
4. What do you think annoyed the soldiers and they began disapproving the ways of the Professor?
5. Describe Mr. Bramble as he has been described in the story.
6. Why was it necessary to keep Harold’s father’s profession a secret from him?
7. How was Harold different from ordinary children?
8. How did Bill Bramble regard his profession before the coming of Harold?
9. How did Harold differ from his parents? What was he told about his father’s profession?
10. What had Harold’s ‘perfection’ made necessary? How did the parents react?
11. What were John A. Pescud’s views on life and ethic?
12. Why do you think Pescud found the bestseller’s so uninteresting?
13. What fault, according to Pescud, did ‘The Rose Lady and Trevelyan’ suffer from?
14. What did Jessie tell John about her family and mansion?
15. How did John’s first meeting with Jessie’s father go?
16. What are the main characteristics of a soldier? Mention any four.
17. Shakespeare describes the dejected lover ‘sighing like a furnace’. Explain the simile.
18. What happens to man’s voice in old age?
19. How does man look like in the last stage of life?
20. Why does the conscience of the poet prick her in ‘Oh I wish I’d looked after me teeth’?
21. How did the poet behave towards her mother?

22. How has the poet damaged her teeth? What is her reaction now?
23. Why is the rain divine?
24. How does the rain look?
25. How does the rain lead its 'earthly life'?
26. Why is Persome worried and upset at the beginning of the play?
27. Why is Persome frightened at the sight of the convict?
28. How does the Bishop secure the release of the convict?
29. Which two qualities of the Bishop are outstanding?
30. Why were the candlesticks so dear to the Bishop?
31. Why does the convict call the prison 'hell'?
32. How has the inhuman treatment meted out to the convict in prison affected him?
33. Why does the convict steal the Bishop's candlesticks?
34. Why does the Bishop not inform the police of the theft of the candlestick?

II. Answer the following in 125-150 words:-

35. Write a note on the theme of the play "The Bishop's Candlesticks"/
36. How does the Bishop react to the threats of the convict who enters his house after midnight?
37. Give a brief character sketch of Persome.
38. For what purpose, do you think, is the incident of the salt cellars introduced in the play?
39. You are the narrator of the poem 'Oh I wish '...Write a diary entry expressing your feelings after a visit to the dentist.
40. How do the last two stages of man's life portray decay, degeneration and death?
41. Give as per Shakespeare, the main characteristics of a soldier. How does he regard name, fame, honour and glory?
42. Bring out the element of irony in the story 'Bestseller'.
43. What estimate do you form of John A. Pescud on the basis of your reading of the story 'Bestseller'?

44. 'Bill rose and followed him without a word'. What do you think led Bill Bramble to reverse his decision to give up the contest and follow his trainer silently to the White Hart?
45. What do you think made Mrs. Bramble so satisfied and happy about the future?
46. You are the 'Professor'. Write a diary entry after your first day at the cookhouse, describing the events that led to this assignment. Also express your thoughts and feelings about the events of the day.
47. Private Quelch knew 'too much'. Give reasons to prove that he was unable to win the admiration of his superior officers or his colleagues.
48. How does the Bishop react to the threats of the convict who enters his house after midnight?
49. Bring out the disparity in John A. Pescud's views on selection of partner in real life and his own romance and marriage.
50. Write a short paragraph on the transformation of the convict in the play 'Bishop's Candlestick'.