

ASSIGNMENT-II

SEMESTER V

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH
KKSJ MANINAGAR SCIENCE COLLEGE

WRITE A BRIEF NOTE ABOUT THE AUTHORS:

Instruction: Story 3 & 5.

Mention the following details in bullet points.

- Name of the Story
- Name of the Author
- Birth & Death Year
- S/he is famous for...
- Major works

WRITE THE MEANINGS OF THE FOLLOWING WORDS:

Instruction: Meanings are to be written in **ENGLISH** only.

Twilight	Peered	Muzzle
Enveloped in darkness	Whizzed	Report
Fleecy clouds	Chimney stack	Peered
Approaching	Armoured	Ruse
Dawn	Pierce	Silhouetted
Beleaguered	Grey monster	Like a thousand devils
Spasmodically	Tattered	Steady eagerness
Republican	Turret	Recoil
Free Staters	Shriek	Agony
Waging	Crawled	As if in a dream
Civil war	Oozing	Clattered
Liffey	Deadened sensation	Gibber
Sniper	Lodged	Oath
Field glasses	Fractured	Conclusion
Ascetic	Ripped open	Whizzed past
Cold gleam	Paroxysm of pain	Steadied
Fanatic	Wadding	Scattered
Draught	Corpse	Commander
Inhaled	Nursing the wound	Curiosity
Parapet	Rifle	Identity
Whiff	Revolver	Darted across

Hail of bullets	Dallied	Piqued
Astrologer	Transacted	Anna
Punctuality	Flare	Bluffing
Cowrie shells	Enchantment	Interest
Obscure	Municipal	Pact
Mystic charts	Hissing	Cheroot
Palmyra	Gaslights	Hotted
Resplendent	Naked flares	Jutka
Vermilion	Bewildering	Babble
Abnormal	Criss-cross	Agitated
Gleam	Intended	Ruthlessly
Clients	Astonished	Disgorge
Prophetic	Shrewd	Muttered
Enhanced	An honest man's labour	Incantations
Whiskers	Forefather	Convincing
Sparkle	Tiling the land	Haggling
To crown the effect	Working analysis	Exclaimed
Cosmos	Perception	Overwhelmed
Dahlia sticks	Pice	Enthusiasm
Tamarind	Disposed to agree	Clenching the fist
Flanked	Impetuous	Groaned
Surging crowd	Exterior	Pinch
Medicine seller	Endeared	Reflectively
Magician	Forbidding	Choke out his life
Auctioneer	Strayed in	Gratified
Din	Paraphernalia	Deserted
Vociferousness	Careworn	Swine
Vendor	Grumbled	Pyol

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN SHORT:

Instruction: It is advisable to mention about the author in the answer.

1. How was the author described the sniper's appearance?
2. What had the sniper anticipated would happen if he lit his cigarette? What did he do?
3. What happened immediately after the armoured car came into the street?
4. What happened to the man and the old woman?
5. What did the sniper do to nurse his wound once he realised he had been hit?
6. Describe in brief the sniper's ruse to kill the other sniper?
7. What happened when the sniper threw the rifle down?
8. What was the effect of the opponent's death on the sniper?
9. How did the sniper experience futility war?
10. How did the sniper feel about war after he had killed the other sniper?
11. What did the sniper do to satisfy his curiosity at the end of the story?

12. What are the professional equipments that the author is talking about? Give an account of how the astrologer prepares himself for his day.
13. When did the astrologer generally start his day's business?
14. Why did the astrologer think he had committed a murder?
15. What personal effects did the astrologer use to attract people towards him?
16. How does the author describe the place where the astrologer sets up shop?
17. How had the astrologer mastered the art?
18. Describe in your own words the appearance of the passer-by who stopped by the astrologer?
19. What happened as the astrologer was packing his paraphernalia and getting ready to leave for the day?
20. What was the pact that was made between the astrologer and the aggressive passer-by?
21. Why did the astrologer run from his village?

WRITE SHORT NOTES ON THE FOLLOWING:

Instruction: It is advisable to mention about the author in the answer.

1. The character of the Republican sniper.
2. The message of the story: The Sniper-Senselessness of War.
3. The ironic ending of the story.
4. The character of the astrologer.
5. The place where the astrologer set up his daily business.
6. The theme of the story – An Astrologer's Day.

APPLICATION FOR JOBS:

Instruction:

Write any ALL APPLICATIONS **OR** ALL OFFICIAL LETTERS in the assignment book.

1. A leading higher secondary school of Vadodara required a smart, young well trained candidate as a teacher of accountancy. Apply within 20 days stating age, qualifications, experience and references.
2. Wanted an accountant for National Plastic Industries, GIDC, Surat. Apply to the manager giving details of age, qualifications, experience etc.

3. Venus Chemicals and Research Institute, M G Road, Ahmedabad invites applications for the post of Junior Stenographer. Apply to the Divisional Manager stating your age, educational qualifications, health and experience.
4. Apply to the Principal, Silver Bells School, Bhavnagar for the post of a Librarian.
5. A leading enterprise of Gujarat requires smart, young, active, well trained candidate for the post of a Salesman. Apply within 10 days to Box No 234. The Times of India stating age, qualifications, experience, salary expected and references.
6. JK Cloths Emporium, Sevasadan road, Jamnagar requires a smart, young, well trained candidate as a supervisor to the sales. Apply within 20 days to Manager.
7. Write an application for the professor in English at C U Shah college, Gondal.

OFFICIAL LETTERS:

Instruction:

Write any ALL APPLICATIONS **OR** ALL OFFICIAL LETTERS in the assignment book.

1. Write a letter to the post-master regarding irregularities of postal services in your locality.
2. Write a letter to the Superintendent of public hospital complaining about lack of cleanliness in the Hospital.
3. Draft a letter to the Commissioner of Municipality complaining against irregular electric supply in your business.
4. Write a letter to the Post Office claiming the maturity of your policy.
5. Write a letter of complaint to the local authority of your town regarding the nuisance of stray dogs along the streets.
6. Write a letter to your Bank Manager about the change in your residential address.
7. Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner pointing out to him the necessity of public parks in your crowded city.

ESSAY WRITING:

HERITAGE OF GUJARAT:

1. Gujarat University
2. Lothal – the Cradle of Civilization
3. The Ahmed Shahi Dynasty of Gujarat

4. The Sun Temple of Modhera
5. Narsinh Mehta – a Poet

MISCELLANEOUS:

1. National Integration
 2. India's Struggle for Independence
 3. The Social Media – Uses and Abuses
 4. A Visit to an Old Age Home
 5. My Plans after Graduation
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CLOZE TEST:

The passage of cloze test should be of about 200 words aiming testing your intermediate level of proficiency. It will contain six blanks each carrying one mark.

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