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X ENGLISH CLASS TEST

M.M.—20

Name of Student: _____ Class & Sub: _____
Topic of Test: SNAKE No. 1 Date : _____

- Q1. How do you know that snake's thirst was satiated? Pick expressions to show this? 2
- Q2. What is the difference between the snake's movement at the beginning of the poem and later when the poet strikes it with a log of wood? 2
- Q3. Why does the poet decide to stand and wait till the snake has finished drinking? What does this tell you about the poet? 2
- Q4. What picture of the snake do you form on the basis of the poem? 2
- Q5. What was the poet's reaction he saw the snake at the water-trough? 2
- Q6. The poet calls the snake 'someone' and 'guest'. What does this imply about poet? 2
- Q7. What does the poet want to convey by saying that the snake emerges from the 'burning bowels of the earth'? 2
- Q8. Do you think the snake was conscious of the poet's presence? How do you know? 2
- Q9. Why does the poet compare the snake to drinking cattle? 2
- Q10. What 'voice of education' does the poet refer to? What did the 'voice' tell him? Or What did the 'voice of education' say to the poet? What did he do then? 2
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Q1. The poet has a dual attitude towards the snake. Why does he experience conflicting emotions on seeing the snake? Or Why does the poet experience conflicting emotions on seeing the snake? 2

Q2. The poet is filled with horror and protest when the snake prepares to retreat and bury itself in the 'horrid black', 'dreadful' hole. In the light of this statement, bring out the irony of his act of throwing a log at the snake. 2

Q3. What does the poet do which he calls as 'paltry, vulgar and mean'? Why? 2

Q4. "I despised myself and the voices of my accursed human education". What made the poet despise these things? 2

Q5. Why does the poet make an allusion to the Albatross? 2

Q6. "I have something to expiate"- Explain. 2

Q7. But suddenly that part of him that was left behind convulsed in undignified haste. Writhed like lightning and was gone into the black hole,

(a) Why did the snake "convulsed in undignified haste"?

(b) How was the snake's movement in contrast to its earlier movement?

(c) Find the literary device in 'writhed like lightning'. 3

Q8. How glad I was he had come like a guest in quiet, to drink at my water-trough
And depart peaceful, pacified, and thankless,
Into the burning bowels of this earth

(a) Who is the guest and why has he come?

(b) What does 'pacified' mean?

(c) Explain 'burning bowels'. 3

Q9. What are the narrator's views on the snakes of Sicily? 2

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