

CLASS TEST ONE
TOPIC : A PHOTOGRAPH
FULL MARKS: 25

Section A: Extract-Based (4 × 1 = 4 marks)

1. Read the extract carefully and attempt the items that follow:

“She’d laugh at the snapshot.

‘See Betty

And Dolly,’ she’d say, ‘and look how they

Dressed us for the beach.’

The sea holiday

Was her past, mine is her laughter.”

a) The mood created by the mother’s reaction to the photograph reflects _____
(1 mark)

b) The expression “dressed us for the beach” highlights a contrast
between _____
(1 mark)

c) The line “The sea holiday was her past” brings out the idea of _____
(1 mark)

d) The speaker’s present emotion is suggested through the reference
to _____
(1 mark)

Section B: Very Short Answer (2 × 2 = 4 marks)

2a) The photograph functions as more than a visual memory, suggesting a deeper emotional connection across time.
(2 marks)

2b) Silence in the final lines conveys more than spoken grief, reflecting an emotional maturity shaped by loss.
(2 marks)

Section C: Short Answer (2 × 3 = 6 marks)

3. The poem presents time as a silent force shaping relationships and emotions. This idea finds expression through images and reflections.
(3 marks)

4. The title A Photograph carries layers of meaning beyond its literal sense, contributing to the poem’s emotional depth.
(3 marks)

Section D: Long Answer (1 × 6 = 6 marks)

5. The poem traces a movement from childhood innocence to adult awareness through memory, loss, and reflection. This emotional journey highlights the permanence of change and the fragility of human life.

(6 marks)

Section E: Composition (1×5=5marks)

6. Advertisements have become a big business. They are promoted by celebrities drawn from various fields like films, sports, etc., leaving their influence on all people specially the young. Write an article in 150-200 words on 'The Impact of Advertisements on the younger generation'. (5 marks)