

## Drama – 2 – Julius Caesar

### Short Answer Type:-

1. How do the heavens 'blaze forth' the death of Julius Caesar?
2. What does Calpurnia try to convince Caesar of?
3. How did nature foretell Caesar's death?
4. What is Caesar's belief about death?
5. Was Julius Caesar proud and over confident? Why?
6. What did Caesar ask his servant to tell the priest? What was its result?
7. Why does Decius Brutus interpret the dream to flatter Caesar?
8. The word 'aside' has been frequently used in the play. What is meant by it?
9. What is ironic about Julius Caesar's murder in relation to the preceding events?
10. Was Brutus noble in his intentions to assassinate Caesar?

### Long Answer Type (Value Based):-

1. According to Antony, when Brutus stabbed Caesar, a bloody deed was compounded with ingratitude. It was not the wound that killed Caesar, says Antony, but Brutus ingratitude. Keeping the above views in mind, write about the importance of gratitude in one's life.
2. How did Mark Antony prove to be Caesar's true friend?
3. Was Caesar really very ambitious? How can you say so?

### Extract based:-

1. "Caesar shall forth: the things that threaten'd me  
Ne'er look'd but on my back; when they shall see  
The face of Caesar, they are vanished."

- (a) Where is Caesar planning to go to?
- (b) What does the word 'Vanished' mean in this context?
- (c) Caesar said these words in reply to what request?

(d) What omens were responsible for the other person making this request?

2. "Shall Caesar send a lie?

Have I in conquest stretch'd mine arm so far,  
To be afraid to tell graybeards the truth?  
Decius, go tell them Caesar will not come."

(a) What place was Caesar supposed to go?

(b) Who are the 'greybeards' Caesar is referring to?

(c) Why has Decius come to Caesar's place?

(d) What is Caesar's final decision? Was it wise?

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