



**Provincial Department of Education- Sabaragamuwa- Week School**

**Subject: Appreciation of English  
Literary texts**

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**Grade -10**

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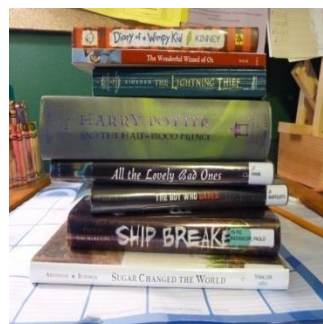
## **What is Literature?**

Literature is a body of written work; specially the prose and poetry which express a universal interest to the readers and the viewers.

## **Why Literature?**

Amidst several benefits of learning literature, the ability to understand numerous types of people living in the society can be regarded one of the most important. Further, learning literary texts will develop our analytical and reasoning skills. Literature greatly contributes in building up individuals characterized with an aesthetic sense and empathetic attitudes.

Apart from that, learning English Literature will give the students some added advantages. English being the most marketing language, learning English Literature will develop our language skills by leaps and bounds. It will help the students to go through the G.C.E. (O/L) English language paper effortlessly. Addition to that, it will be a rewarding opportunity in seeking a job, as you have far advanced knowledge of English together with your knowledge of English literature.



**Read the above text and answer the following questions.**

1. Match following words with their appropriate meanings. Write the correct number.

I. prose	a) logical reasoning	
II. numerous	b) ordinary form of spoken or written language without a metrical pattern	
III. empathy	c) very quickly	
IV. analytical	d) large in number	
V. by leaps and bounds	e) the ability to understand and share the feelings of another	

2. Name the **poetry work** and **prose** you have read either in English language or in your mother tongue.

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3. What are the benefits of learning literature?

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4. Why do you think the students should learn English Literature? Discuss.

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5. Can you name some famous writers in English Literature?

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