GIRL'S HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE, PRAYAGRAJ

SESSION: 2020-2021

CLASS 10 - A,B,C,D,E & F

SUBJECT: English Literature Assignment

INSTRUCTIONS:

- a) Students are expected to do a detailed study from the books and website given below.
- b) Students are expected to use project paper (interleaf sheets 1 side plain, 1 side ruled) to write the assignment.
- c) The assignment should not be of more than 800 words.
- d) NO HINTS given should be used as headings or sub headings. (Including Introduction, body & conclusion.)
- e) Please follow the hints as guidelines for the assignment.
- f) Question should be written on the left side (blank side) of the page.

BOOKS: The Merchant of Venice for ICSE students by A.T. Atkinson or any other prescibed edition.

WORKBOOKS: Selina Publications or Xavier Pinto.

WEBSITE: www.quora.com

QUESTION TOPIC: Describe in detail how Bassanio won Portia's hand in marriage, through the lottery of caskets. What effect does it have on Gratiano and Nerissa?

HINTS:

- 1) Introduction
 - a) Why did Bassanio need money to go to Belmont?
 - b) Why did he alongwith Antonio go to Shylock?
- 2) Body:
 - a) Lottery of caskets devised by Portia's father.
 - b) Choice of caskets by Morocco and Arragon. (Few lines)
 - c) Bassanio's choice of casket. (Write in detail)
 - d) Why didn't he choose the silver or golden casket?
 - e) Why did he choose the lead casket?
 - f) What was found inside the lead casket?
 - g) What were the instructions found in it?
- 3) Conclusion:
 - a) Portia's reaction to Bassanio's correct choice.
 - b) The effect Bassanio's choice had on Gratiano and Nerrisa.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Quotations have to be quoted from the text.