

X ENGLISH TEST : NELSON MANDELA, TWO STORIES ABOUT FLYING

TIME: 1 HOUR

M.M.: 36

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 - b. What ideals does he set out for the future of South Africa?
 - c. “The sight of the food maddened him.” What does this suggest? What compelled the young seagull to finally fly.
 - d. “They were beckoning to him, calling shrilly”. Why did the segull’s father and mother threaten him and cajole him to fly.
 - e. “I’ll take the risk.” What is the risk? Why does the narrator take it?
 - f. Why does the narrator say, “I landed and was not sorry to walk away from the old Dakota”
2. **Answer the following questions in about 100-150 words each :** (8 × 2 = 16 MARKS)
 - a. How did Mandela’s understanding of freedom change with age and experience?
 - b. Describe the ‘narrators’ experience as he flew the aeroplane into the storm?
3. Parents and children often complain of generation gap. Write an article is not more than 150 words titled ‘Building the generation gap.’ (8 MARKS)

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