**FORM FOUR ENGLISH**

**HOLIDAY ASSIGNMENT**

**Answer all questions**

### Read the excerpt below and then answer the questions that follow.

**Mrs. Linde:** Listen to me Nora you are still very like a child in many things, and I am older than you in many ways and have a little more experience. Let me tell you this-you ought to make an end of it with Doctor Rank.

**Nora:** What ought I to make an end to?

**Mrs. Linde:** Of two things I think. Yesterday you talked some nonsense about a rich admirer who was to leave you money-

**Nora:** An admirer who doesn’t exist, unfortunately! But what then?

**Mrs. Linde:** Is Doctor Rank a man of means?

**Mrs. Linde:** And comes here every day?

**Nora:** Yes, I told you so.

**Mrs. Linde:** But how can this well-bred man be so tactless?

**Nora:** I don’t understand you at all.

**Mrs. Linde:** Don’t prevaricate, Nora.do you suppose I don’t guess wholent you the two hundred and fifty pounds?

**Nora:** Are you out of your senses? How can you think of such a thing? A friend of ours, who comes here every day! Do you realize what a horribly painful position that? would be?

**Mrs. Linde:** Then it really isn’t he?

**Nora:** No, certainly not. It would never have entered into my head for a moment. Besides, he had no money to lend then; he came into his money afterwards.

**Mrs. Linde**: Well I think that was lucky for you, my dear Nora.

**Nora:** No, it would never have come into my head to ask Doctor Rank. Although I am quite sure if I had asked him-

**Mrs. Linde:** But of course you won’t.

**Nora:** Of course not. I have no reason to think it could possibly be necessary. But I am quite sure that if I told Doctor Rank-

**Mrs. Linde:** Behind your husband’s back?

**Nora:** I must make an end of it with the other one, and that will be behind his back too, I must make an end of it with him.

**Mrs. Linde:** Yes, that is what I told you yesterday, but-

**Nora:** (walking up and down) a man can put a thing like that straight much easier than a woman.

**Mrs. Linde:** One’s husband, yes.

**Nora: Nonsense!** (Standing still) When you pay off a debt you get your bond back, don’t you?

**Mrs. Linde:** Yes, as a matter of course.

**Nora:** And can tear it into a hundred thousand pieces and burn it up- the nasty dirty paper.

**Mrs. Linde: (**looks hard at her, lays down her sewing and gets up slowly.) Nora you are concealing something from me.

**Nora:** Do I look as if I were?

**Mrs. Linde:** Something has happened to you since yesterday morning. Nora, what is it?

### Questions

1. Briefly explain what happens before and after the events in this extract. (4marks)
2. Explain why Mrs. Linde says “…I am older than you in many ways and have a little more experience? (2mrks)
3. What is Mrs. Lindes’ view about Doctor Rank and Nora’s relationship? (2marks)
4. From the dialogue, what do we learn about Nora’s character? (4 marks)
5. Identify and explain the use of hyperbole in this excerpt. (3 marks)
6. What is the attitude of Mrs.Linde towards Nora (2mrks)
7. What is the prevailing mood in this excerpt (2mrks)
8. What does Mrs. Linde think Nora is concealing from her? Is Mrs. Lindes right? (3 marks)
9. Explain the meaning of the following words as used in the extract. (3 marks)

* A man of means
* Prevaricate

1. “Strong selfless friendship is the remedy to stormy times.” Using the lives of Taiyo and Resian, write a composition to illustrate the truthfulness of the statement.
2. “Hard work and determination pays.” Using illustrations from **Ninema** show the validity of this statement.