

COMMON EXAMINATION FOR
ENTRANCE TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

SCRIPTURE.

[45 minutes.]

(All quotations from the Bible are taken from the Authorised Version.)

1. These quotations are from parables spoken by Our Lord. Choose **two** of them, tell the whole story of each with as much detail from the Bible as you can, and explain the meaning of the story:
 - (a) I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock.
 - (b) A certain man planted a vineyard, and set an hedge about it.
 - (c) If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.
 - (d) They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.
 - (e) Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican.

2.

Either:

Name the following, from the Gospels or Acts:

- (a) The angel sent to announce to Mary that she was to be the mother of Jesus.
- (b) The publican who became an apostle.
- (c) A blind man whose sight was restored by Jesus.
- (d) The man compelled to carry Jesus' cross to Calvary.

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- (e) The apostle who refused to believe that Jesus had appeared to His other friends, after His resurrection.
- (f) The Roman governor at the time of the crucifixion.
- (g) The gate of the Temple where Peter and John cured a cripple.
- (h) The man to whom The Acts of the Apostles is dedicated.
- (j) The town to which Saul was travelling when he received the vision which led to his conversion.
- (k) The name Saul adopted after his conversion.

Or:

Who was St. Stephen, and why was he martyred?

3.

Either:

Who said, and in what circumstances, **three** of the following?—

- (a) Speak; for thy servant heareth.
- (b) Go and wash in Jordan seven times.
- (c) Would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!
- (d) Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?
- (e) And it came to pass at noon, that . . . mocked them, and said, Cry aloud: for he is a god; either he is talking, or he is pursuing, or he is in a journey, or peradventure he sleepeth, and must be awaked.

Or:

These proverbs or proverbial sayings are all based on incidents in the Old Testament: the writing on the wall, entertaining angels unawares, the patience of . . . , the wisdom of . . . , an idol with feet of clay, selling one's birthright for a mess of pottage, worshipping the golden calf.

Choose **three** of these, and explain what they mean by reference to the person or incident to which they refer.