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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

All questions in this paper carry equal marks.



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Goneril: O vain fool!
Albany: Thou changed and self-cover'd thing, for shame!
 Be-monster not thy feature. Were't my fitness 40
 To let these hands obey my blood,
 They are apt enough to dislocate and tear
 Thy flesh and bones. Howe'er thou art a fiend,
 A woman's shape doth shield thee.
Goneril: Marry, your manhood – mew! 45

Enter a Messenger.

Albany: What news?
Messenger: O, my good lord, the Duke of Cornwall's dead,
 Slain by his servant, going to put out
 The other eye of Gloucester. 50
Albany: Gloucester's eyes!
Messenger: A servant that he bred, thrill'd with remorse,
 Oppos'd against the act, bending his sword
 To his great master; who, thereat enrag'd,
 Flew on him, and amongst them fell'd him dead; 55
 But not without that harmful stroke which since
 Hath pluck'd him after.
Albany: This shows you are above,
 You justicers, that these our nether crimes
 So speedily can venge! But, O poor Gloucester!
 Lost he his other eye? 60

Act 4, Scene 2

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE: *The Tempest*

- 2 **Either** (a) How far do you agree with the view that Prospero is not very sympathetically presented in *The Tempest*?
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to the language and tone, consider what the following passage contributes to your understanding of the developing relationship between Miranda and Ferdinand.

Scene I. Before Prospero's cell.

Enter Ferdinand, bearing a log.

Ferdinand: There be some sports are painful, and their labour
Delight in them sets off; some kinds of baseness
Are nobly undergone, and most poor matters 5
Point to rich ends. This my mean task
Would be as heavy to me as odious, but
The mistress which I serve quickens what's dead,
And makes my labours pleasures. O, she is
Ten times more gentle than her father's crabbed; 10
And he's compos'd of harshness. I must remove
Some thousands of these logs, and pile them up,
Upon a sore injunction; my sweet mistress
Weeps when she sees me work, and says such baseness
Had never like executor. I forget; 15
But these sweet thoughts do even refresh my labours,
Most busy, least when I do it.

Enter Miranda; and Prospero at a distance, unseen.

Miranda: Alas, now; pray you,
Work not so hard; I would the lightning had 20
Burnt up those logs that you are enjoin'd to pile.
Pray, set it down and rest you; when this burns,
'Twill weep for having wearied you. My father
Is hard at study; pray, now, rest yourself;
He's safe for these three hours. 25

Ferdinand: O most dear mistress,
The sun will set before I shall discharge
What I must strive to do.

Miranda: If you'll sit down,
I'll bear your logs the while; pray give me that; 30
I'll carry it to the pile.

Ferdinand: No, precious creature;
I had rather crack my sinews, break my back,
Than you should such dishonour undergo,
While I sit lazy by. 35

Miranda: It would become me
As well as it does you; and I should do it
With much more ease; for my good will is to it,
And yours it is against.

Prospero [Aside]: Poor worm, thou art infected! 40
This visitation shows it.

Miranda: You look wearily.

Ferdinand: No, noble mistress; 'tis fresh morning with me
 When you are by at night. I do beseech you,
 Chiefly that I might set it in my prayers, 45
 What is your name?

Miranda: Miranda – O my father,
 I have broke your hest to say so!

Ferdinand: Admir'd Miranda!
 Indeed the top of admiration; worth 50
 What's dearest to the world! Full many a lady
 I have ey'd with best regard; and many a time
 Th' harmony of their tongues hath into bondage
 Brought my too diligent ear; for several virtues
 Have I lik'd several women, never any 55
 With so full soul, but some defect in her
 Did quarrel with the noblest grace she ow'd,
 And put it to the foil; but you, O you,
 So perfect and so peerless, are created
 Of every creature's best! 60

Act 3, Scene 1

Section B

Answer **one** question from this section.

JANE AUSTEN: *Persuasion*

- 3 **Either** (a) What does Austen's use of irony and humour contribute to your view of the characters in the novel? You should refer to at least **three** characters in your answer.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to language and narrative structure, write a critical appreciation of the following passage, showing what it contributes to your understanding of Anne's relationship with Lady Russell.

Lady Russell was now perfectly decided in her opinion of Mr Elliot. She was as much convinced of his meaning to gain Anne in time, as of his deserving her; and was beginning to calculate the number of weeks which would free him from all the remaining restraints of widowhood, and leave him at liberty to exert his most open powers of pleasing. She would not speak to Anne with half the certainty she felt on the subject, she would venture on little more than hints of what might be hereafter, of a possible attachment on his side, of the desirableness of the alliance, supposing such attachment to be real, and returned. Anne heard her, and made no violent exclamations. She only smiled, blushed, and gently shook her head. 5

"I am no match-maker, as you well know," said Lady Russell, "being much too well aware of the uncertainty of all human events and calculations. I only mean that if Mr Elliot should some time hence pay his addresses to you, and if you should be disposed to accept him, I think there would be every possibility of your being happy together. A most suitable connection every body must consider it – but I think it might be a very happy one." 10 15

"Mr Elliot is an exceedingly agreeable man, and in many respects I think highly of him," said Anne; "but we should not suit."

Lady Russell let this pass, and only said in rejoinder, "I own that to be able to regard you as the future mistress of Kellynch, the future Lady Elliot – to look forward and see you occupying your dear mother's place, succeeding to all her rights, and all her popularity, as well as to all her virtues, would be the highest possible gratification to me. – You are your mother's self in countenance and disposition; and if I might be allowed to fancy you such as she was, in situation, and name, and home, presiding and blessing in the same spot, and only superior to her in being more highly valued! My dearest Anne, it would give me more delight than is often felt at my time of life!" 20 25

Anne was obliged to turn away, to rise, to walk to a distant table, and, leaning there in pretended employment, try to subdue the feelings this picture excited. For a few moments her imagination and her heart were bewitched. The idea of becoming what her mother had been; of having the precious name of "Lady Elliot" first revived in herself; of being restored to Kellynch, calling it her home again, her home for ever, was a charm which she could not immediately resist. Lady Russell said not another word, willing to leave the matter to its own operation; and believing that, could Mr Elliot at that moment with propriety have spoken for himself! – She believed, in short, what Anne did not believe. The same image of Mr Elliot speaking for himself, brought Anne to composure again. The charm of Kellynch and of "Lady Elliot" all faded away. She never could accept him. And it was not only that her feelings were still adverse to any man save one; her judgment, on a serious consideration of the possibilities of such a case, was against Mr Elliot. 30 35

Chapter 17

GEOFFREY CHAUCER: *The Nun's Priest's Prologue and Tale*

- 4 **Either** (a) 'Vain and foolish but a loveable hero.'
Discuss Chaucer's presentation of Chauntecleer in *The Nun's Priest's Prologue and Tale* in the light of this comment.
- Or** (b) Write a critical appreciation of the following passage, relating it to Chaucer's methods and concerns in the poem as a whole. You should pay attention to the language and tone in your answer.

This cok, that lay upon the foxes bak,
 In al his drede unto the fox he spak,
 And seyde, "Sire, if that I were as ye,
 Yet sholde I seyn, as wys God helpe me,
 'Turneth agayn, ye proude cherles alle!
 A verray pestilence upon yow falle!
 Now am I come unto the wodes syde;
 Maugree youre heed, the cok shal heere abyde.
 I wol hym ete, in feith, and that anon!" 5

The fox answerde, "In feith, it shal be don." 10
 And as he spak that word, al sodeynly
 This cok brak from his mouth delyverly,
 And heighe upon a tree he fleigh anon.
 And whan the fox saugh that the cok was gon,
 "Allas!" quod he, "O Chauntecleer, allas!
 I have to yow," quod he, "ydoon trespas,
 In as muche as I maked yow aferd
 Whan I yow hente and broghte out of the yerd.
 But, sire, I dide it in no wikke entente.
 Com down, and I shal telle yow what I mente;
 I shal seye sooth to yow, God help me so!" 20

"Nay thanne," quod he, "I shrewe us bothe two.
 And first I shrewe myself, bothe blood and bones,
 If thou bigyle me offer than ones.
 Thou shalt namoore, thurgh thy flaterye,
 Do me to synge and wynke with myn ye;
 For he that wynketh, whan he sholde see,
 Al wilfully, God lat him nevere thee!" 25

"Nay," quod the fox, "but God yeve hym meschaunce,
 That is so undiscreet of governaunce
 That jangleth whan he sholde holde his pees."
 Lo, swich it is for to be recchelees
 And necligent, and truste on flaterye.
 But ye that holden this tale a folye,
 As of a fox, or of a cok and hen, 35
 Taketh the moralite, goode men.
 For seint Paul seith that al that writen is,
 To oure doctrine it is ywrite, ywis;
 Taketh the fruyt, and lat the chaf be stille.
 Now, goode God, if that it be thy wille, 40
 As seith my lord, so make us alle goode men,
 And brynge us to his heighe blisse! Amen.

CHARLES DICKENS: *David Copperfield*

- 5 **Either** (a) 'A pair of villains with no redeeming qualities!' How far does this reflect your view of the role and significance of Uriah Heep and his mother in the novel?
- Or** (b) Write a critical appreciation of the following passage, relating it to Dickens's methods and concerns in the novel.

After we had jogged on for some little time, I asked the carrier if he was going all the way.

"All the way where?" inquired the carrier.

"There," I said.

"Where's there?" inquired the carrier.

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"Near London?" I said.

"Why that horse," said the carrier, jerking the rein to point him out, "would be deader than pork afore he got over half the ground."

"Are you only going to Yarmouth, then?" I asked.

"That's about it," said the carrier. "And there I shall take you to the stage-cutch, and the stage-cutch that'll take you to – wherever it is."

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As this was a great deal for the carrier (whose name was Mr Barkis) to say – he being, as I observed in a former chapter, of a phlegmatic temperament, and not at all conversational – I offered him a cake as a mark of attention, which he ate at one gulp, exactly like an elephant, and which made no more impression on his big face than it would have done on an elephant's.

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"Did *she* make 'em, now?" said Mr Barkis, always leaning forward, in his slouching way, on the footboard of the cart with an arm on each knee.

"Peggotty, do you mean, Sir?"

"Ah!" said Mr Barkis. "Her."

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"Yes. She makes all our pastry, and does all our cooking."

"Do she though?" said Mr Barkis.

He made up his mouth as if to whistle, but he didn't whistle. He sat looking at the horse's ears, as if he saw something new there; and sat so, for a considerable time. By-and-by, he said:

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"No sweethearts, I b'lieve?"

"Sweetmeats did you say, Mr Barkis?" For I thought he wanted something else to eat, and had pointedly alluded to that description of refreshment.

"Hearts," said Mr Barkis. "Sweethearts; no person walks with her!"

"With Peggotty?"

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"Ah!" he said. "Her."

"Oh, no. She never had a sweetheart."

"Didn't she though!" said Mr Barkis.

Again he made up his mouth to whistle, and again he didn't whistle, but sat looking at the horse's ears.

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"So she makes," said Mr Barkis, after a long interval of reflection, "all the apple parsties, and doos all the cooking, do she?"

I replied that such was the fact.

"Well. I'll tell you what," said Mr Barkis. "P'raps you might be writin' to her?"

"I shall certainly write to her," I rejoined.

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"Ah!" he said, slowly turning his eyes towards me. "Well! If you was writin' to her, p'raps you'd recollect to say that Barkis was willin'; would you?"

"That Barkis is willing," I repeated, innocently. "Is that all the message?"

"Ye–es," he said, considering. "Ye–es. Barkis is willin'."

“But you will be at Blunderstone again to-morrow, Mr Barkis,” I said, faltering a little at the idea of my being far away from it then, “and could give your own message so much better.” 45

As he repudiated this suggestion, however, with a jerk of his head, and once more confirmed his previous request by saying, with profound gravity, “Barkis is willin’. That’s the message,” I readily undertook its transmission. 50

Chapter 5

THOMAS HARDY: *The Mayor of Casterbridge*

- 6 **Either** (a) Henchard thought that ‘Some fate was against him.’
Discuss Hardy’s use of fate and coincidence in the novel as a whole.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to the language and tone, write a critical appreciation of the following passage, showing its significance to the novel as a whole.

The truth was that the old woman had appeared in court so many more times than the magistrates themselves, that they were obliged to keep a sharp look-out upon their procedure. However, when Stubberd had rambled on a little further Henchard broke out impatiently, ‘Come – we don’t want to hear any more of them cust dees and bees! Say the words out like a man, and don’t be so modest, Stubberd; or else leave it alone!’ Turning to the woman, ‘Now then, have you any questions to ask him, or anything to say?’ 5

‘Yes,’ she replied with a twinkle in her eye; and the clerk dipped his pen.

‘Twenty years ago or thereabout I was selling of furnity in a tent at Weydon Fair –’ 10

“‘Twenty years ago” – well, that’s beginning at the the beginning; suppose you go back to the Creation!’ said the clerk, not without satire.

But Henchard stared, and quite forgot what was evidence and what was not.

‘A man and a woman with a little child came into my tent,’ the woman continued. ‘They sat down and had a basin apiece. Ah, Lord’s my life! I was of a more respectable station in the world then than I am now, being a land smuggler in a large way of business; and I used to season my furnity with rum for them who asked fo’t. I did it for the man; and then he had more and more; till at last he quarrelled with his wife, and offered to sell her to the highest bidder. A sailor came in and bid five guineas, and paid the money, and led her away. And the man who sold his wife in that fashion is the man sitting there in the great big chair.’ The speaker concluded by nodding her head at Henchard and folding her arms. 15

Everybody looked at Henchard. His face seemed strange, and in tint as if it had been powdered over with ashes. ‘We don’t want to hear your life and adventures,’ said the second magistrate sharply, filling the pause which followed. ‘You’ve been asked if you’ve anything to say bearing on the case.’ 20

‘That bears on the case. It proves that he’s no better than I, and has no right to sit there in judgement upon me.’

‘ ’Tis a concocted story,’ said the clerk. ‘So hold your tongue!’

‘No – ’tis true.’ The words came from Henchard. ‘Tis as true as the light,’ he said slowly. ‘And upon my soul it does prove that I’m no better than she! And to keep out of any temptation to treat her hard for revenge, I’ll leave her to you.’ 25

The sensation in the court was indescribably great. Henchard left the chair, and came out, passing through a group of people on the steps and outside that was much larger than usual; for it seemed that the old furnity dealer had mysteriously hinted to the denizens of the lane in which she had been lodging since her arrival, that she knew a queer thing or two about their great local man Mr Henchard, if she chose to tell it. This had brought them hither. 30

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Chapter 28

ANDREW MARVELL: *Selected Poems* (from *The Metaphysical Poets* ed. Gardner)

- 7 **Either** (a) How far do you agree with the view that Marvell's poems about love are more about ideas than feelings? You should refer to at least **three** of his poems from your selection in your answer.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to language, tone and imagery, write a critical appreciation of the following extract from *The Nymph complaining for the death of her Faun*.

Unconstant *Sylvio*, when yet
 I had not found him counterfeit,
 One morning (I remember well)
 Ty'd in this silver Chain and Bell,
 Gave it to me: nay and I know 5
 What he said then; I'm sure I do.
 Said He, look how your Huntsman here
 Hath taught a Faun to hunt his *Dear*.
 But *Sylvio* soon had me beguil'd. 10
 This waxed tame, while he grew wild,
 And quite regardless of my Smart,
 Left me his Faun, but took his Heart.

Thenceforth I set my self to play
 My solitary time away,
 With this: and very well content, 15
 Could so mine idle Life have spent.
 For it was full of sport; and light
 Of foot, and heart; and did invite,
 Me to its game: it seem'd to bless
 Its self in me. How could I less 20
 Than love it? O I cannot be
 Unkind, t' a Beast that loveth me.

Had it liv'd long, I do not know
 Whether it too might have done so
 As *Sylvio* did: his Gifts might be 25
 Perhaps as false or more than he.
 But I am sure, for ought that I
 Could in so short a time espie,
 Thy Love was far more better than
 The love of false and cruel men. 30

With sweetest milk, and sugar, first
 I it at mine own fingers nurst.
 And as it grew, so every day
 It wax'd more white and sweet than they.
 It had so sweet a Breath! And oft 35
 I blusht to see its foot more soft,
 And white, (shall I say than my hand?)
 NAY any Ladies of the Land.

It is a wond'rous thing, how fleet
 'Twas on those little silver feet. 40
 With what a pretty skipping grace,
 It oft would challenge me the Race:
 And when 't had left me far away,
 'Twould stay, and run again, and stay.
 For it was nimbler much than Hindes; 45
 And trod, as on the four Winds.

ALEXANDER POPE: *The Rape of the Lock*

- 8 **Either** (a) 'Pope's portrayal of Belinda and her world is both satirical and sympathetic.'
How far do you agree with this comment on the poem?
- Or** (b) Write a critical appreciation of the following passage, relating it to Pope's methods and concerns in the rest of the poem.

CANTO II

Not with more glories, in th' ethereal plain,
The sun first rises o'er the purpled main,
Than, issuing forth, the rival of his beams
Launch'd on the bosom of the silver Thames.
Fair nymphs and well-dress'd youths around her shone, 5
But every eye was fix'd on her alone.
On her white breast a sparkling cross she wore,
Which Jews might kiss, and infidels adore.
Her lively looks a sprightly mind disclose,
Quick as her eyes, and as unfix'd as those: 10
Favours to none, to all she smiles extends;
Oft she rejects, but never once offends.
Bright as the sun, her eyes the gazers strike,
And, like the sun, they shine on all alike.
Yet graceful ease, and sweetness void of pride, 15
Might hide her faults, if belles had faults to hide:
If to her share some female errors fall,
Look on her face, and you'll forget them all.
This nymph, to the destruction of mankind,
Nourish'd two locks, which graceful hung behind 20
In equal curls, and well conspired to deck
With shining ringlets the smooth ivory neck.
Love in these labyrinths his slaves detains,
And mighty hearts are held in slender chains.
With hairy springes we the birds betray, 25
Slight lines of hair surprise the finny prey,
Fair tresses man's imperial race insnare,
And beauty draws us with a single hair.
Th' adventurous baron the bright locks admired;
He saw, he wish'd, and to the prize aspired. 30
Resolved to win, he meditates the way,
By force to ravish, or by fraud betray;
For when success a lover's toils attends,
Few ask, if fraud or force attain'd his ends.
For this, ere Phœbus rose, he had implored 35
Propitious Heaven, and every power adored:
But chiefly Love – to Love an altar built,
Of twelve vast French romances, neatly gilt.
There lay three garters, half a pair of gloves;
And all the trophies of his former loves: 40
With tender billet-doux he lights the pyre,
And breathes three amorous sighs to raise the fire.

ALFRED LORD TENNYSON: *Selected Poems*

- 9 **Either** (a) 'A modern reader will find little of interest or delight in Tennyson's poems.' How would you defend Tennyson from this criticism? You should refer to at least **three** poems in your answer.
- Or** (b) Paying close attention to language, tone and imagery, write a critical appreciation of the following passage from *The Lotos-Eaters*, relating it to the rest of the poem.

'Courage!' he said, and pointed toward the land,
 'This mounting wave will roll us shoreward soon.'
 In the afternoon they came unto a land
 In which it seemèd always afternoon.
 All round the coast the languid air did swoon, 5
 Breathing like one that hath a weary dream.
 Full-faced above the valley stood the moon;
 And like a downward smoke, the slender stream
 Along the cliff to fall and pause and fall did seem.

A land of streams! some, like a downward smoke, 10
 Slow-dropping veils of thinnest lawn, did go;
 And some through wavering lights and shadows broke,
 Rolling a slumbrous sheet of foam below.
 They saw the gleaming river seaward flow
 From the inner land: far off, three mountain-tops, 15
 Three silent pinnacles of agèd snow,
 Stood sunset-flushed: and, dewed with showery drops,
 Up-clomb the shadowy pine above the woven copse.

The charmèd sunset lingered low adown
 In the red West: through mountain clefts the dale 20
 Was seen far inland, and the yellow down
 Bordered with palm, and many a winding vale
 And meadow, set with slender galingale;
 A land where all things always seemed the same!
 And round about the keel with faces pale, 25
 Dark faces pale against that rosy flame,
 The mild-eyed melancholy Lotos-eaters came.

Branches they bore of that enchanted stem,
 Laden with flower and fruit, whereof they gave 30
 To each, but whoso did receive of them,
 And taste, to him the gushing of the wave
 Far far away did seem to mourn and rave
 On alien shores; and if his fellow spake,
 His voice was thin, as voices from the grave;
 And deep-asleep he seemed, yet all awake, 35
 And music in his ears his beating heart did make.

They sat them down upon the yellow sand,
 Between the sun and moon upon the shore;
 And sweet it was to dream of Fatherland,
 Of child, and wife, and slave; but evermore 40
 Most weary seemed the sea, weary the oar,
 Weary the wandering fields of barren foam.
 Then some one said, 'We will return no more;'
 And all at once they sang, 'Our island home
 Is far beyond the wave; we will no longer roam.' 45

JOHN WEBSTER: *The Duchess of Malfi*

- 10 Either (a) 'Tis great pity
He should be neglected. I have heard
He's very valiant. This foul melancholy
Will poison all his goodness.'

How much 'goodness' do you find in Bosola?

- Or (b) Paying close attention to the language, imagery and dramatic action, write a critical appreciation of the following passage, showing its significance to the play as a whole.

<i>Duchess:</i>	What do you think of marriage?	
<i>Antonio:</i>	I take't, as those that deny purgatory, It locally contains or heaven, or hell; There's no third place in't.	
<i>Duchess:</i>	How do you affect it?	5
<i>Antonio:</i>	My banishment, feeding my melancholy, Would often reason thus:	
<i>Duchess:</i>	Pray let's hear it.	
<i>Antonio:</i>	Say a man never marry, nor have children, What takes that from him? only the bare name Of being a father, or the weak delight To see the little wanton ride a-cock-horse Upon a painted stick, or hear him chatter Like a taught starling.	10
<i>Duchess:</i>	Fie, fie, what's all this?	15
	One of your eyes is bloodshot, use my ring to't, They say 'tis very sovereign: 'twas my wedding ring, And I did vow never to part with it, But to my second husband.	
<i>Antonio:</i>	You have parted with it now.	20
<i>Duchess:</i>	Yes, to help your eyesight.	
<i>Antonio:</i>	You have made me stark blind.	
<i>Duchess:</i>	How?	
<i>Antonio:</i>	There is a saucy and ambitious devil Is dancing in this circle.	25
<i>Duchess:</i>	Remove him.	
<i>Antonio:</i>	How?	
<i>Duchess:</i>	There needs small conjuration, when your finger May do it: thus, is it fit? [<i>She puts the ring on his finger.</i>] <i>He kneels.</i>	30
<i>Antonio:</i>	What said you?	
<i>Duchess:</i>	Sir, This goodly roof of yours, is too low built, I cannot stand upright in't, nor discourse, Without I raise it higher: raise yourself, Or if you please, my hand to help you: so. [<i>Raises him.</i>]	35
<i>Antonio:</i>	Ambition, Madam, is a great man's madness, That is not kept in chains, and close-pent rooms, But in fair lightsome lodgings, and is girt With the wild noise of prattling visitants,	40

Which makes it lunatic, beyond all cure.
 Conceive not, I am so stupid, but I aim
 Whereto your favours tend. But he's a fool
 That, being a-cold, would thrust his hands i'th' fire
 To warm them. 45

Duchess: So, now the ground's broke,
 You may discover what a wealthy mine
 I make you lord of.

Antonio: O my unworthiness!

Duchess: You were ill to sell yourself; 50
 This dark'ning of your worth is not like that
 Which tradesmen use i'th' city; their false lights
 Are to rid bad wares off: and I must tell you
 If you will know where breathes a complete man,
 (I speak it without flattery), turn your eyes, 55
 And progress through yourself.

Act 1, Scene 2

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