“The Monkey’s Paw”

Unit 3 Test: Study Guide

Critical Vocabulary (40 marks)

* Peril – Something that is dangerous
* Grimace – A facial expression showing pain or disgust
* Fate – A power that determines a course of events
* Credulity – A tendency to believe to easily
* Compensation – Payment received for loss or damage

Multiple-Choice Comprehension (40 marks)

* What action shows Sargent-Major Morris thought the paw was dangerous?
* What detail foreshadows the Monkey’s paw may be magical when Mr. White holds it?
* Why does Mr. Morris wish for 200 pounds?
* Why does Mr. White refuse to open the door for his wife?
* What is the theme of the story?

Written response (20 marks)

Responses must be supported with text evidence:

* Why does Herbert suggest what Mr. White should wish for?
* How does the mood, or feeling, contrast before and after Morris’ visit to the Whites?