

FORM 3 ENGLISH
PAPER 3 M/S.

Compulsory Essay. A Doll's House.
Some circumstances in life push us to
make tough decisions.

Introduction

- Can be general / contextualized.
- No mark for a student who repeats the question.

Marking points:

1. Nora is forced by Torvald's illness to get a loan from Krogstad in order to facilitate a trip to Italy.
 - Since women cannot borrow without their husband's consent, she ensures Torvald does not know about it.
 - She also had to forge her father's signature to secure the loan.
2. Mrs. Linde
 - She has to marry a man she did not love in order to provide for her bedridden mother and her two younger brothers.
 - She also had to break up with Krogstad since his prospects seemed hopeless.
3. Nora
 - Realizes that Helmer has just been using her as a doll and he does not genuinely love her.
 - This is after Helmer reads the letter from Krogstad that contains details of the loan Nora took to finance their trip to Italy.

- Nora is forced to separate with Helmer
- She also has to abandon her children

4. Krogstad

- He becomes insecure when he learns that Mrs. Linde is about to have an appointment in the bank
- This fear of losing his job pushes him to blackmail Nora. He threatens to disclose the forgery Nora committed when signing for the loan if Helmer gives his (Krogstad's) job to Mrs. Linde.
- When he is finally dismissed from the bank by Helmer he writes Helmer a letter revealing how Nora took a loan from him.

5. Anne (The Nurse)

- She was poor and the man who had made her pregnant did not support her.
- She was forced to abandon her daughter in order to work as a nurse to Nora.