

**Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya**  
**English Honours**  
**( Sem--2)**  
**Assignment on Shelley's "Ozymandias".**

**Answer the following questions:**

- 1.What is ironic about the inscription on the pedestal of Ozymandias' statue ?**
- 2.Who does the 'shattered visage' in the poem, 'Ozymandias', belong to and why is it 'half sunk' ?**
- 3.Why does Ozymandias refer to himself as 'king of kings' ?**
- 4.In the poem, 'Ozymandias', the poet says, 'the hand that mocked them, and the heart that fed'. How does the hand 'mock' them?**
- 5.What quality of King Ozymandias does the poem reflect?**
- 6.What did the traveller see in the desert?**
- 7.What feelings does the partially destroyed statue of Ozymandias convey?**
- 8.What words were written on the pedestal of the broken statue? What did they show?**
- 9.Describe how Shelley brings out the futility of power and riches in the poem, 'Ozymandias'.**
- 10.What message did the poet convey in the poem, 'Ozymandias'?**
- 11.Describe the statue of Ozymandias in the desert.**

