

Pride and Prejudice

Questions and Marking Schemes

Question: *Why does Charlotte Lucas agree to marry Mr Collins?*

Marking Scheme:

Ms Lucas's limited means.

Mr Collins proposal to Elizabeth after the Netherfield ball, her refusal and his engagement to Charlotte Lucas

Question: *Jane Austen particularly liked Elizabeth Bennet as a character. Did you?*

Marking scheme: eg Elizabeth's loyalty: the scene from Elizabeth's defence of Jane to Mr Darcy.

Question: higher level Leaving Cert 2007.

*What fascinates the reader of *Pride and Prejudice* is the relationship between the central characters of Elizabeth and Mr Darcy.*

Marking scheme:

- Uneasy encounters and sharp exchanges
- The obstacles to love such as strong personalities and social class
- The emotional rollercoaster between the two
- The role of coincidence and the impact of Darcy's letter

The stories credibility or lack of it and the predictably happy ending