

系組：英國語文學系文學與文化組 科目：批判寫作

【試題隨彌封答案卷繳回】

Critical Writing

Read the following poem “Money” by Dana Gioia, and the lyrics of the song “Money” by the Beatles, and write a well-structured essay to address the questions listed below. Please include a **clear introduction with a thesis statement, well-organized paragraphs with topic sentences, relevant textual support, and a strong conclusion.** (100%)

Consider the following questions before you compose your essay. (Please do NOT answer the questions one by one. All your paragraphs should be organized to support your reading of the poem and of the song, and of your thesis statement).

1. Are there any similarities between the Beatles’ views about the subject of money, and Gioia’s views? Are they in agreement about any particular aspect(s) of money?
2. In Gioia’s poem, how does each stanza function separately to express his views about standard, and universal, perceptions of the importance of money in daily life? Does the Beatles’ song reiterate any of these perceptions?
3. What poetic devices (i.e. speaking voice, imagery, tone, etc.) does the poem employ? What effects do they create?

Money By Dana Gioia

Money, the long green,
cash, stash, rhino, jack
or just plain dough

Chock it up, fork it over,
shell it out. Watch it
burn holes through pockets.

To be made of it! To have it
to burn! Greenbacks, double eagles,
megabucks and Ginnie Maes.¹

It greases the palm, feathers a nest,
holds heads above water,
makes both ends meet.

Money breeds money
Gathering interest, compounding daily.
Always in circulation.

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¹ Short for Government National Mortgage Association, a US government corporation that helps finance housing for Americans.

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Money. You don't know where it's been,
but you put it where your mouth is.
And it talks.

Money By the Beatles

The best things in life are free
But you can keep them for the birds and bees
Now give me money
That's what I want
That's what I want, yeah
That's what I want

You're lovin' gives me a thrill
But you're lovin' don't pay my bills
Now give me money
That's what I want
That's what I want, yeah
That's what I want

Money don't get everything it's true
What it don't get, I can't use
Now give me money
That's what I want
That's what I want, yeah
That's what I want, yeah

Money don't get everything it's true
What it don't get, I can't use
Now give me money
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That's...

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