**Iqbal Novel Study Name: Randolph Cabaguio**

**Quotable Passages Date: January 31, 2012**

**TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/15 marks**

There are many quotable passages from chapter 7 in *Iqbal*. Below are four important quotes.

**You must respond critically to Passage 1 and Passage 4. Then choose either Passage 2 OR 3 to reflect on**.

In your response, consider commenting on some of the following: special meaning, connection to a character’s thoughts and feelings, or why this quote makes you think and want to know more.

You can write your response directly beneath the passage.

**\* PASSAGE 1**

**“It means that this kind of life isn’t right. We should return to our families; we shouldn’t be chained to our looms and forced to work like slaves.” Page 50**

RESPONSE:

I think they shouldn’t chained children because I think they should return to their families because they loved them, feed them, and clothe them back. They only chained animals, cars, bikes, etc. (A life of child labor is not right because it’s against human rights and frees the children. Hussain Khan treats and chains children like animals).

**PASSAGE 2**

**‘There was a precise rule among us: *Never* talk about the future. Not a single one of us dared to say, “next summer,” or “in a year,” or, “when I’m grown up.” Oh yes, we talked about things we liked to do, and we talked about the day our debt would be cancelled. We talked that hope into the ground. But nobody really believed it. It was sort of litany, a way to feel good. Otherwise what was left to us?’ Page 53**

**OR**

**PASSAGE 3**

**“Fatima,” he said in a low voice, “next spring you and I are going to fly a kite. Remember that, whatever happens.” Page 54**

RESPONSE: PASSAGE 3

This passage means that Iqbal is foreshadowing that one day, the children will be free. Iqbal is planning to rescue the kids and would come back whatever happens. Kite represents the freedom (also represents courage, change, play, and love). Iqbal and Fatima are dreaming that one day they would fly as a kite freely on the sky.

**\* Chapter 8 - PASSAGE 4**

**‘Before Iqbal’s arrival I had been resigned to my life. I couldn’t even imagine a different one. Iqbal had sown the seeds of hope in all of us.’ Page 62**

RESPONSE:

Iqbal has giving to Fatima a hope a better life. (Iqbal was being like a farmer because he works to plant seeds, and grow farm).