

Poetry Selection from the Unit on Muslim Civilization

Choose one from the following for additional points on your test.
The first is worth 3 points and the remainder 2 points each.

*All men and women are to each other
the limbs of a single body, each of us drawn
from life's shimmering essence, God's perfect pearl;
and when this life we share wounds one of us,
all share the hurt as if it were our own.
You, who will not feel another's pain,
you forfeit the right to be called human.*

Sadi

The best loved by God are those that are rich, yet have the humility of the poor, and those that are poor and have the magnanimity of the rich.

The rose and the thorn,
And sorrow and gladness
Are linked together.

I fear God and next to God I most fear them that fear Him not.

Sadi

In youth I studied for a little while;
Later I boasted of my mastery.
Yet this was all the lesson that I learned:
We come from dust, and with the wind are gone...
Drink wine by moonlight, darling, for the moon
Will shine long after this, and find us not.

Omar Khayyam