

CLASS : XI
SUBJECT : ENGLISH

MARKS : 90
TIME : 2: 30 HRS

Instructions : (1) Check the question paper for fairness of printing. If there is any lack of fairness, inform the Hall supervisor immediately.

(2) Use blue or black ink to write and underline.

PART – I

I. Answer all the questions: (20X1=20)

A. Choose the correct Synonym of the underlined word in the following sentences :

1. The thought was almost revolting.
(a) planning (b) inspiring (c) disgusting (d) appealing
2. My father managed to collect only Rs 2000 for my trip.
(a) tip (b) dance (c) journey (d) jogging
3. The ordinary man seldom forgets things. .
(a) frequently (b) rarely (c) never (d) often

B. Choose the correct Antonym of the underlined word in the following sentences : -

4. She had been old and her skin wrinkled for the twenty years I had known her.
(a) lined (b) smooth (c) marked (d) folded
5. Modern man remembers even telephone numbers.
(a) recalls (b) retrieves (c) recollects (d) forgets
6. He persuaded me to look in at the sale.
(a) led (b) followed (c) dissuaded (d) made
7. Choose the correct **compound word** for the combination 'Kitchen Garden'.
a) Adverb + Noun (b) Preposition + Verb (c) Noun +Noun (d) Noun +Adjective
8. Choose the **British English** word for 'Soccer'.
a) Foot ball (b) volley ball (c) base ball (d) throw ball
9. Choose the suitable question tag. He hardly absent himself, ____?
a) did he (b) don't he (c) does he (d) doesn't he
10. Choose the **unclipped word** for 'mike'.
a) micro (b) phone (c) microphone (d) miniphone
11. One who studies about **Ichthyology** is called.....
a) Linguist (b) Ornithologist (c) Anglophobia (d) Fishes
12. What is the plural for 'Chairman'?
a) chairmans (b) chairmen (c) chairmens (d) chairsman
13. Identify the sentence pattern of the following sentence:
I found him unconscious in his feet
a) SVCA (b) SVC (c) SVOA (d) SVOCA
14. Choose the correct prefix for the word "**head**".
a) mal (b) fore (c) trans (d) multi
15. Fill in the blank with a suitable **preposition**.
They have been building this shopping mall three years.
a) in (b) between (c) for (d) from
16. Choose the suitable **meaning for the idiom** found in the following sentence.
Orders for the new product are coming in '**thick and fast**'
a) large numbers (b) small volumes
b) c) limited quantity (d) appropriate level
17. Fill up the blank with the right article.
We started from south.
a) a (b) an (c) the (d) for

18. Choose the clipped form of “gymnasium”.

- a) gym b) jim c) museum d) symposium

19. Choose the right euphemism (polite alternative) “lavatory”

- a) kitchen b) bathroom c) toilet d) rest- room

20. Choose the combination for the blended form “biopic”

- a) biography + pic b) biograph + picture c) bio + pic d) biographical + picture

PART II

SECTION – B [14 Marks]

7X2=14

II. A) Read the following lines and answer any four [4] of the following in sentence 4 X 2 = 8

21. *‘But now they only laugh with their teeth,*

While their ice-block-cold eyes... ’

- (a) Who are ‘they’? (b) Explain: ice-block-cold eyes

22. *With all my heart I do admire*

Athletes who sweat for fun or hire

- (a) Whom does the poet admire? (b) For what reasons do the athletes sweat?

23. *And I must think, do all I can,*

That there was pleasure there...

- (a) What did the poet notice about the twigs? (b) What was the poet’s thought about then?

24. *Macavity’s a Mystery Cat: he’s called the Hidden Paw...*

- (a) Does the poet talk about a real cat? (b) Why is he called the Hidden Paw?

25. *For he’s a fiend in feline, shape, a monster of depravity.*

- (a) How is the cat described in this line? (b) Explain the phrase ‘monster of depravity’.

26. *When officialdom demands*

Is there a doctor in the stands?

- (a) Why are doctors called from stands by the sponsors? (b) Why does the poet make such an observation?

B. Do as directed (Any three)

3 X 2 = 6

27. Rewrite the following into indirect speech.

Shiny: What are you looking for?

Swetha: I have lost my purse.

28. Who wrote this poem? (Rewrite in passive voice)

29. The food was too hot for him to eat. (Change into complex sentence.)

30. I am not a bird. I can not fly. (Combine into a sentence using “ if ”)

SECTION – C (21 Marks)

7 X 3 = 21

III. Answer any seven of the following:

i) Explain any two (2) of the following with reference to the context

(2 X 3 = 6)

31. *Macavity’s a ginger cat, he’s very tall and thin;*

32. *The budding twigs spread out their fan*

To catch the breezy air;

33. *With all my heart I do admire*

Athletes who sweat for fun or hire,

ii) Answer any two (2) of the following briefly.

(2X 3 = 6)

34. Why could grandma not accompany the author to his school?

35. When does human memory work with less than its usual capacity?

36. What was the bidder’s offer to the narrator?

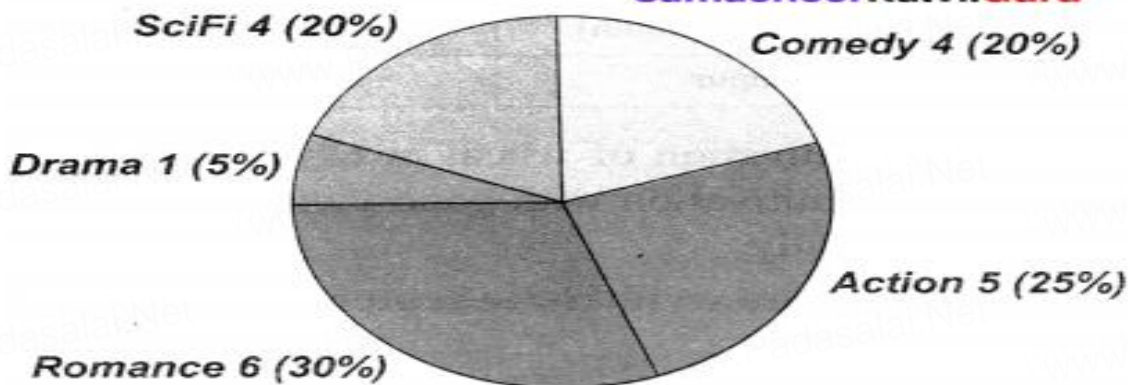
iii Answer any three (3) of the following

(3X3 =9)

37. Study the pie-chart given and answer the questions that follow:

Favourite Type of Movie

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(a) What are the two types of movies liked by equal percentage of people?

(b) Which type of movie is preferred by most number of people?

(c) Which type is least enjoyed and favoured by people?

38. Describe the process of making lime juice.

39. Build a dialogue of minimum 3 exchanges between a student and a librarian.

40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below.

- _____ is the mother of invention. (Necessity, Conservation, Retention)
- The pen is mightier than the _____. (speak, sword, spade)
- Fortune favours the _____. (bold / brave, rich, poor)

PART IV

SECTION -D (35 Marks)

IV) Answer all the following:

7X 5 = 35

41. Answer in a paragraph (of about 150 words) on any one (1) of the following:

a) Describe Mary Kom's personal experiences during her first International Championship match from the time of selection to winning the medal.

Or

b) Why is Robert Lynd amazed at the efficiency of humans to remember things?

42. Answer in a paragraph (of about 150 words) on any one (1) of the following:

a) According to the poet what contributes most to the injuries sustained by the athletes?

Or

b) 'Nature can nurture'. Describe how this process happens.

43. . Answer in a paragraph (of about 150 words) on any one (1) of the following:

a) The men - disliked the moan - from inside - the surgical - room - of the dentist - made different interpretation. One - man claimed - that he would - ask for gas - to dull the pain - of tooth extraction. But - another - man alarmed - him saying - he knew - some one - never recovered from - the effect - gas. Two - left the waiting - because - it was getting - late for the - offices. The first patient's - was very - upset. She cried - and tried to go - to the surgical room - to see if her husband - Joe was - okay. (Or)

b) The photographer - was a drooping - man - in gray coat. He - appeared to - be a - scientist making - study on - the faces of people - who visit his studio. He - wore a serious - all the time. He always - looked - the faces of people - his camera. He disapproved - the features - of people - did not conform - to his estimate - of perfect looks. He - was proud of his - expertise in - various editing - skills. He boasted - his skill - of removing eyebrows - refixing them artistically. He - correct - mouth, nose - eyes of photos.

44. Write a summary or Make notes of the following passage

The business letter must be concise: don't waste words. Little introduction or preliminary chat is necessary. Get to the point, make the point, and leave it. It is safe to assume that your letter is being read by a very busy person with all kinds of papers to deal with. Re-read and revise your message until the words and sentences you have used are precise. This takes time, but is a necessary part of a good business letter. A short business letter that makes its point quickly has much more impact on a reader than a long-winded, rambling exercise in creative writing. This does not mean that there is no place for style and even, on occasion, humour in the business letter. While it conveys a message in its contents, the letter also provides the reader with an impression of you, its author: the medium is part of the message.

45. a) Write a letter to the Police Commissioner (Traffic) about the inadequate parking facilities in the commercial area of Nungambakkam, which is causing a lot of inconvenience to the people. You may also offer your suggestions to solve it. You are Rakesh/Radhika, No. 12, Nungambakkam, Chennai.

Or

b. Respond to the following advertisement with application and Bio-data, fulfilling all the conditions given below.

Wanted

An English teacher with a minimum of 5 years of experience
Apply to : KMHS School
Sangai main road., Kallakurichi, 606 208

46. i) Spot the errors and rewrite the sentences correctly.

1. Though she is weak but she is active.
2. She kept the book in the table.
3. One of the boy has got the first prize.
4. Sylvester went to abroad.
5. My father gave me a lot of advices.

Or

ii. Fill in the blanks suitably:

- a. I _____ (talk) to my brother, when the quests arrived. (use the suitable tense form).
- b. _____ (help) you, If I had time. (use the suitable tense form).
- c. Caesar's wife _____ be above suspicion. (use a modal).
- d. Keerthi did not act in any film _____ ? (add a suitable tag).
- e. The protruding _____ (route / root) of the tree objected our _____. (us ethe appropriate word).

47. i) Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below:

- (a) The flight was cancelled due to fog.
- (b) Spicy food can cause acidity in the stomach.
- (c) Meena stumbled upon a chance to practice running a race.
- (d) The company has recommended a dividend of 75 percent.
- (e) The monitor is not working. Get it repaired.

[Sports, Weather, Commerce, Nutrition and Dietetics, Computer]

(Or)

ii) Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

Pollution is an undesirable change in physical, chemical and biological characteristics of our land, air and water caused by excessive accumulation of pollutants. The pollutants like carbon – di – oxide, sulphur-di-oxide and nitrogen oxide cause air pollution. The gas sulphur-di-oxide produces acid rain. Due to acid rain buildings and plant materials are damaged. The increase of these causes global warming also. The average increase in the temperature of atmosphere is called global warming. This is otherwise known as green house effect. This leads to the rise of sea level due to the melting of glaciers. The expansion of water will engulf many parts of this country. July 1998 was the hottest month world over.

Questions:

- a) What is pollution?
- b) Name a few pollutants.
- c) What is global warming?
- d) What is the significance of July 1998?
- e) The melting of glaciers makes the sea- level