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Tenkasi District Common Examinations
Common Quarterly Examination - September 2022



Standard 11

LANGUAGE - PART II - ENGLISH

Time Allowed: 3.00 Hours

Maximum Marks: 90

- 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

Answer all the questions.

20×1=20

Choose the appropriate synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences:

- 1) We treated it like the fables of Prophets she used to tell us.
a) stories b) verses c) songs d) proverbs
- 2) Mary Kom had a strong conviction in her passion for boxing.
a) struggle b) belief c) thought d) affinity
- 3) I am no great delinquent in such matters.
a) creator b) offender c) guardian d) half-wit

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the underlined words in the following sentences:

- 4) The grains were scattered all over the place.
a) picked b) distributed c) shared d) gathered
- 5) There was no sound but a curious smothered noise from my friend.
a) suppressed b) stifled c) expressed d) suffocated
- 6) I ate enough to sate my appetite.
a) satisfy b) dissatisfy c) equalize d) compensate
- 7) **Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the base word "honest":**
a) in__ b) dis__ c) ir__ d) mis__
- 8) **Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation 'RSC':**
a) Railway Staff Commission b) Referee Stopped Contest
c) Regional Security Commission d) Reference Staff Contest
- 9) **Choose the word that can be added after "bee" to form a compound word:**
a) hive b) live c) five d) house
- 10) **Add a suitable suffix to the word "beauty" to form a new word:**
a) able b) ful c) ism d) ity
- 11) **Fill in the blanks with suitable homophones:**
Please _____ a minute and I want to check my _____ (weight / wait)
- 12) **Choose the correct combination for the compound word ball pen:**
a) noun+verb b) noun+noun c) noun+adjective d) verb+noun
- 13) **Choose the appropriate idiomatic expression for the underlined phrase:**
The players were facing each other at the beginning of the match.
a) square off b) on the ropes
c) in our corner d) taking an account
- 14) **Choose the clipped form of the word "University":**
a) unity b) varsity c) union d) sity
- 15) One who studies the human mind and behaviour is a
a) physicist b) psychologist c) seismologist d) pathologist
- 16) **Choose the most appropriate answer for the following question:**
"Tight Corner" means a _____.
a) difficult situation b) crowded corner
c) tragic incident d) fierce fight

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- 17) **Fill in the blank with the suitable phrasal verb:**
My father always _____ truth and honesty.
a) stands up b) stands for c) stands by d) stands out
- 18) **Fill in the blank with appropriate determiner:**
Vijay had taken _____ photos during the programme.
a) any b) many c) much d) little
- 19) **Fill in the blank with the suitable preposition:**
This seat is not very comfortable to sit _____.
a) of b) in c) on d) at
- 20) **Fill in the blank with the suitable tense form of the verb:**
She always _____ (make) excuses for coming late.
a) made b) makes c) making d) will make

PART - II
Section - 1

Answer ANY FOUR of the following:

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the following: **4×2=8**

- 21) **"But now they only laugh with their teeth,
While their ice-block-cold eyes....."**
a) Explain: ice-block-cold eyes
b) Identify the figure of speech used here.
- 22) **"When officialdom demands,
Is there a doctor in the stands"?**
a) Why are doctors called from the stands by the sponsors?
b) Pick out the rhyming words in the given lines.
- 23) **"I heard a thousand blended notes
While in a grove, I sat reclined"**
a) What is meant by "a thousand blended notes"?
b) Where is the poet sitting?
- 24) **"And his footprints are not found
in any file of Scotland Yard's"**
a) Whose footprints do the police need and why?
b) Pick out the words in alliteration.
- 25) **"Cocktail face, with all their conforming smiles,
Like a fixed portrait smile"**
a) What do you mean by "cocktail face"?
b) Mention the figure of speech.
- 26) **"But the least motion which they made
It seem'd a thrill of pleasure"**
a) Who are 'they'?
b) What are they doing?

Section - 2

Answer ANY THREE questions:

3×2=6

- 27) The old man said to the boy, "Please help me".
[Rewrite as a reported speech]
- 28) Ram tried his best, but he did not succeed.
[Begin the sentence using "Though"]
- 29) I speak English everyday.
[Change the voice]
- 30) Study well or you will not get high score.
[Rewrite using "If" clause]

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PART - III
Section - 1

Explain any TWO of the following with reference to the context:

2×3=6

- 31) "I have learned to wear many faces
like dresses"
- 32) "He's broken every human law, he
breaks the law of gravity"
- 33) "I am just glad as glad can be
That I am not them, that they are not me".

Section - 2

Answer any TWO of the following in not more than 30 words:

2×3=6

- 34) Why did the grandmother accompany the author to school?
- 35) Why did Mary Kom think she should not return empty-handed?
- 36) How do the chemists make fortunes out of the medicine people forget to take?

Section - 3

Answer any THREE of the following questions :

3×3=9

- 37) Prepare a notice to be displayed on the notice-board of your school for the students of class 11, informing them about the "Workshop on Precis Writing" will be held on 22nd September in our school auditorium at 10.00 a.m.
- 38) Describe the process of making a nice cup of tea.
- 39) Build a dialogue of minimum 3 exchanges between a fruit vendor and a customer.
- 40) Write an article on "Road safety" in about 50 words.

PART - IV

Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words:

7×5=35

- 41) a) The grandmother played a vital role in the author's formative years. Explain. (OR)
b) Explain how the narrator got out of the tight corner that he was in.
- 42) a) How does Gabriel Okara criticise the modern life in his poem "Once upon a Time"? (OR)
b) How does Ogden Nash try to explain that he is very happy being a mere spectator?
- 43) **Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:**
a) Two friends - made a pact - meet after twenty years - Bob arrived - spoke to policemen on beat - tall man came - claimed to be Jimmy Wells - Bob realized - not his friend - policeman in plainclothes - arrested Bob, a noted criminal - policeman on beat - real Jimmy Wells - hesitated to arrest friend - sent another with a note. (OR)
b) Leacock - goes to a studio - The photo - grapher dislikes Leacock's face - passes several comments - Leacock gets irritated the photo - taken - wants to see the proof - visits the studio again - The photo is edited - help of technology - Leacock upset over the changes - calls it worthless - leaves in anger.
- 44) **Write a summary or make notes of the following passage:**
Yoga has been proven by science in preventing and treating a range of ailments. Yoga's positions are called "asanas", which can make your body stronger, more flexible, improve your sense of balance, increase your energy and improve the feeling of well-being. Yoga reduces the risk of lower back pain. The stretching increases tissue temperature, which in turn promotes muscular relaxation and reduces stress and thereby reduces negative impact of cholesterol. A systematic yoga session comprising of "Pranayama", a few asanas and a set of the Suryanamaskaram will help optimise oxygen consumption, carbon-di-oxide output and heart rate. It is imperative that a person should consult a physician before starting Yoga.

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- 45) a) Write a letter to a book seller placing an order for some books for your school library. **(OR)**
- b) Write a paragraph of 150 words on the advantages and disadvantages of "Online shopping".
- 46) a) **Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them:**
- I lived here since 2010.
 - Copper is an useful metal.
 - I like to have toasted bred for breakfast.
 - He climbed on the stairs.
 - In schools, students ought to wear uniforms.

(OR)

- b) **Fill in the blanks as instructed:**

- Have you ever _____ such a beautiful _____? (scene / seen)
- I prefer coffee _____ tea.

[Fill in the blanks with a suitable preposition]

- What is done _____ not be undone.

[use modal verb]

- If I were a bird, I _____ (fly) in the sky.

[use correct tense]

- Our team _____ (is / are) the best.

- 47) a) **Identify each of the following sentences with the fields given below:**

- In a democracy, we have the right to criticise anyone.
- The prince of vegetables shot up suddenly.
- The passenger sat down to check his e-mails.
- It was a thrilling neck and neck finish.
- The programme will be telecast next week.

**(commerce, sports, literature, computer,
politics, media, agriculture)**

(OR)

- b) **Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words:**

After the meal, the way we place our eating tools, our knives, forks, spoons or chopsticks is also culturally defined. In Australia, when we have finished eating the main course, we put the knife and fork across the middle of the plate parallel to each other with the handles facing towards us. When we are resting during the meal, we place the knife and fork across each other in the middle of the plate. In China, the chopsticks go crossways across the top of the plate with the handles facing towards the right. In Indonesia, some people place the fork and spoon like the Australians do but not all. Indonesia is a multi-cultural society, so there may be a number of customs practised within the country.

Questions:

- Which table manners reveals one's culture?
- Is table manners important? Why?
- What do you know about the table manners observed by the Australians?
- How do the Chinese practise their table manners?
- Explain the Indonesian culture.

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