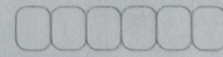


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Tirunelveli District Common Examinations
Common Quarterly Examination - September 2022



Standard 12

Time Allowed: 3.00 Hours

ENGLISH

Maximum Marks: 90

PART - I

Answer all the questions.

20×1=20

Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given:

- 1) We saw our friends doing brisk business.
a) timid b) dull c) quick d) slow
- 2) China tea has virtues which are not to be despised nowadays.
a) hated b) cheated c) ridiculed d) loved
- 3) The driver steered by scraping his food on the floor.
a) pushing b) rubbing c) breaking d) dropping

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given:

- 4) One boy had on a worn jersey and cut-off khaki pants.
a) new b) poor c) soiled d) pure
- 5) The gloomy thoughts probably stem from an accident.
a) sad b) horrible c) happy d) sorrowful
- 6) I took a firm stance on the ledge.
a) trust b) faith c) belief d) position
- 7) Choose the correct clipped word for promenade:
a) prom b) romen c) pro d) menada
- 8) Choose the right combination for the blended word edutainment:
a) educational + entertainment b) education + entertainment
c) educate + entertainment d) educator + entertainment
- 9) Choose the correct expansion of INSAT:
a) Indian National Satellite b) International Satellite
c) Independent Satellite Track d) Indian Satellite Track
- 10) Choose the correct combination for the compound word showroom:
a) Noun+Noun b) Noun+Verb
c) Verb+Noun d) Adjective+Verb
- 11) Choose the correct plural form of syllabus:
a) syllabuses b) syllabi c) syllabus d) syllab
- 12) Choose the trisyllabic word:
a) vanish b) bump c) calculation d) reverence
- 13) Identify the pattern of the following sentence:
The cuckoo sings beautifully.
a) SVO b) SVA c) SVC d) SVOA
- 14) Add a suitable prefix to the word relevant:
a) de _____ b) ir _____ c) en _____ d) dis _____
- 15) Replace the underlined phrasal verb into a single word:
The old bag gives off some bad smell.
a) emits b) relieves c) distributes d) exhibits
- 16) Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence:
The meeting was put off sine die.
a) frankly b) definitely c) faithfully d) indefinitely
- 17) Choose the most appropriate question tag:
He has sent me a gift, _____?
a) hasn't he b) has he c) does he d) doesn't he

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45) Write a letter to the General Manager of a factory seeking permission to visit.

(OR)

Respond to the following advertisement:

Wanted
Experienced male graduates are wanted for the post of Marketing officer .
Apply to:
Box No. 9692 C/o The Hindu Chennai - 3.

46) **Spot the errors and rewrite the sentences correctly:**

- We speak the French.
- Physics are my favourite subject.
- We prefer story books than detective novels.
- As you are weak so you take fruits and vegetables.
- Each of the boy has done his best.

(OR)

Fill in the blanks correctly:

- The _____ mill is in the ground _____. (**floor / flour**)
- I _____ swim in the river when I was young. (**use a semi-modal**)
- Stop eating. You _____ (take) five biscuits already.
(**use suitable form of the tense**)
- Accept the truth _____ you will be in trouble. (**use proper link word**)

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

- Fish makes a good diet.
- Paddy grows well in alluvial soil.
- Gandhi fought for our freedom.
- The sky looks cloudy today.
- The rhyme scheme of the poem is wonderful.

[**agriculture, literature, weather, history, health**]

(OR)

Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words:

Freedom is dearer to human beings than anything else. It is the first condition of growth - physical, mental, intellectual, ethical and spiritual. It is never given to us on a silver tray. Becoming free is like climbing a mountain. It requires constant effort. The pains we take are rewarded when we reach the summit. It is never achieved in isolation. We need the help of others to become truly free.

Questions:

- Which is the first condition of growth?
- Mention the comparison in the passage given.
- Why do we need the help of others?
- In this passage the word summit refers to _____.
a) the top of the hill b) the peak c) becoming free
- Give a suitable title.

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Section - 3

Answer any three of the following:**3×3=9**

- 37) Describe the process of obtaining a Demand Draft from the bank.
- 38) Write a dialogue between a mother and her daughter discussing the daughter's first day in her new school. **[Minimum three exchanges]**
- 39) **Rearrange the shuffled words and frame into meaningful sentences:**
- My father / truth and honesty / stands for / always
 - A patriot / a man / who / is / his country / loves
 - If / practise / will you win / you
- 40) **Complete the proverbs choosing the correct word:**
- _____ water runs deep. (Cool, Still, Cold)
 - Distance lends _____ (beauty, happiness, enchantment)
 - _____ is power. (Knowledge, Money, Soul)

PART - IV**Answer the following questions:****7×5=35**

- 41) What was the driving force that made the boys do various jobs?

(OR)

How did a casual incident in a hospital help Dr. Barnard perceive a new dimension of life?

- 42) How safe was the castle? How was it conquered?

(OR)

What makes ulysses seek new adventures?

- 43) **Write a paragraph by developing the following hints:**

Ausable - secret agent - fat, short - Fowler, a romantic writer - meets Ausable - room in 6th floor - a gun wielding man - Max, Ausable speaks about the balcony - arrival of the police - Max believes - jumps into the non-existent balcony - dies - waiter brings drinks.

(OR)

Pi - son of a zookeeper - travelled with some animals - sold to North American zoos - ship sank - lifeboat - Richard Parker, the tiger - Pi afraid - searched water - found - wanted to tame the tiger - friendly - survive for 227 days.

- 44) **Write a summary (or) make notes of the following passage:**

Nothing is impossible in this world. Never let your mind think that something is impossible. You can do anything if you have the will to do it. A determination as strong as the steel makes everything possible in the world.

What we need most is to put in a lot of hard work, perseveranec and concentration on the objective. We need to have faith and patience, determination, devotion and dedication to obtain our goal.

There are so many examples where people have overcome outstanding obstacles or people going against what everyone says and achieving great feats.

Nothing is impossible if you improve your will power. One can do anything, if one has the will to do it.

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18) Choose the correct modal verb:

I _____ like to know your address.

- a) should b) could c) would d) might

19) Complete the sentence choosing the correct article:

_____ guilty will be punished.

- a) a b) the c) an d) none

20) Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition:

My friend is known _____ his teaching skills.

- a) in b) at c) to d) for

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PART - II

Section - 1

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following:

4×2=8

21) 'For what, we thought, had we to fear'

- a) Who is the speaker?
b) Explain the mood of the speaker.

22) 'Like a huge Python, winding round and round'

- a) What is compared to a python?
b) What is the poetic device employed here?

23) 'A gray baboon sits statue - like alone'

- a) What is a baboon?
b) Where was the baboon sitting?

24) 'Seeking the bubble reputation'

- a) Which stage of life is referred to here?
b) Explain 'bubble reputation'.

25) 'They have their exits and their entrances'

- a) Explain 'exits' and 'entrance'.
b) Who have exits and entrances?

26) 'One equal temper of heroic hearts'

- a) Pick out the words in alliteration.
b) Who have heroic hearts?

Section - 2

Answer any three of the following questions:

3×2=6

- 27) If I had a car, I would give you lift. [Begin the sentence with 'Had']
28) I heard a melodious song. [Change into complex sentence]
29) The customer said to the shop owner, "Do you have Shakespeare's plays?"
[Change into Indirect]
30) I must start early otherwise I cannot attend the seminar. [Begin with 'unless']

PART - III

Section - 1

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

2×3=6

- 31) "Our only enemy was gold" ✓
32) "In crimson clusters all the bough among" ✓
33) "From that eternal silence, something more"

Section - 2

Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each:

2×3=6

- 34) How was the unattended trolley put to use?
35) What are the author's views on China tea?
he boys did not spend much on clothes and food. Why?