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COMMON HALFYEARLY EXAMINATION - 2022 - 23

Time Allowed : 3.00 Hours]

ENGLISH

[Max. Marks : 90

Part - I

1. Answer all the questions. Choose the most appropriate answer from the given four alternatives and write the option code and the corresponding answer. 20×1= 20
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given:
- The role of the University today is not cloistered
a) flexible b) restricted c) determined d) challenging
 - She thumped the sagging skins of the dilapidated drum.
a) preserved b) repaired c) damaged d) costly
 - I always have catastrophes when I travel.
a) fortune b) Prosperity c) success d) disaster
- B. Choose the correct Antonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.**
- He has a memory like a sieve or is an audacious perverter of the truth.
a) clever b) timid c) rigid d) strong
 - The staff looked so unsympathetic
a) cold b) caring c) insensitive d) irritated
 - The other teams ----- weight in, which is compulsory for all players.
a) Optional b) natural c) critical d) occasional
 - Choose the correct Suffix for the word 'rugged'.
a) ness b) ion c) ist d) er
 - Fill in the blanks with the suitable phrasal verb.**
The dog was --- by a heavy vehicle.
a) run over b) run on c) run out d) run through
 - Choose the meaning of the underlined idiom in the sentence.**
The old man was driven up the wall at the loud noise outside
a) angered b) deceived c) irritated d) shocked
 - Choose the clipped form of the word "perambulator".**
a) Perambur b) Pram c) Peram d) rambo
 - Choose the right definition for the term "Cardiologist".**
a) One who treats stomach disorders b) one who treats heart complications
c) One who specializes in lung diseases d) One who specializes in skin problems.
 - Choose the expanded form of "G.O"**
a) Grant Offer b) General Order c) Government Order d) General Officer
 - 'University' is a --- word
a) trisyllabic b) tetrasyllabic c) disyllabic d) Pentasyllabic
 - The Protestors were arrested en masse yesterday. Choose the meaning of the foreign word undelined in the above sentence.
a) Mercilessly b) before sunset c) all together d) as usual
 - I cannot put up with this nonsense any more (Replace the phrase with a single word)
a) tolerate b) handle c) witness d) rectify
 - Choose the word that cannot be used after 'key' to form a compound word.
a) note b) lock c) board d) hole

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17. Choose the correct sentence pattern.
Sabeer is an artist
a) SVO b) SVC c) SVA d) SV
18. Choose the unclipped form of 'memo'
a) memorabilla b) memorizer c) memorandum d) memento
19. Choose the suitable preposition and fill in the blank.
Tenzing threw his arm ---- my shoulders.
a) from b) around c) against d) through
20. Add suitable question tag to the statement given below.
You can never misuse your power and authority,-----?
a) can't you b) would you c) wouldn't you d) can you

PART - II

SECTION - 1

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

4x2=8

21. *"Most of all, I want to relearn, How to laugh....."*
a) What does the poet want to relearn?
b) Whom does he want to relearn from?
22. *"Let's talk to graves, of worms and epitaphs
Make dust our paper....."*
a) Define the term "epitaphs"?
b) Mention the figure of speech used here?
23. *"He, who does not stoop, is a king we adore
We bow before competence and merit".*
a) Pick out the words in alliteration in the second line?
b) Who is adored as a king?
24. *"Athletes, I'll drink to you Or eat with you
Or anything except complete with you".*
a) What does the term "drink to you" mean?
b) Does the poet want to compete with the athletes?
25. *"and 'tis my faith that every flower
Enjous the air it breathes....."*
a) what is the Poet's faith?
b) Identify the figure of speech used here.
26. *"And his footprints are not found in any file of Scotland Yard's".*
a) Whose footprints are mentioned here?
b) Pick out the words in alliteration.

B. Do as directed.(any three)

3x2=6

27. Report the following dialogue
Dinesh : Why are you sad?
Ganesh : I lost my ~~called~~ ^{key} yesterday.
28. Change the voice of the following sentence.
Priya is taking the lesson now.
29. Convert the following simple sentence into a compound sentence.
On hearing their teacher's footsteps, the boys ran away.
30. If I had money, I would have given you. (Begin the sentence with "Had")

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is a very sweet liquid. Companies use it to make foods taste sweet. Some people even make beer from corn. In the US, farmers grow corn for their animals to eat. Cows and pigs eat corn. Some companies put corn into food for other animals. For example, some companies put corn in dog food. In Europe, people use corn as fish bait, called "dough balls". They use corn to catch fish. Some gas companies make fuel for cars and trucks from corn. The fuel is ethanol. Some companies add ethanol to gas. Gas with ethanol is cheaper than other gas.

45. a) Write a letter to the Chief Reservation Supervisor of Railways requesting him to grant concession for your educational tour

OR

- b) Write a letter to your friend stating the need to use helmet even as a pillion rider.

46. **Error Spotting.**

- (i) Tara told to her cousin that she would donate some money.
- (ii) Though I had a good sleep, but I feel very tired.
- (iii) Every tourist has a amazing story to share.
- (iv) One of the components are already missing.
- (v) He is going through the most best phase of his life.

OR

- (a) **Fill in the blanks with the correct tense forms of the verbs given in brackets.**

Geetha ----- (visit) several doctors before she ----- (find) out what the problem ---(be), with her knee.

- (b) The fire service ----- endanger their ---- safety, during their operations. **(Personal, personnel)**

- 47. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below.**

At the end of his voyage, Sindbad decided to settle down at Baghdad and spend the rest of his life there. But soon he got tired of this kind of life, which was not at all active. He disliked laziness and wished to be doing something always. So he joined with several other friendly merchants and set out to sea a second time. They set sail in a good ship and soon reached an island, covered with many kinds of fruit trees. They landed on the island and walked for some distance but could see neither men or animals. While the other merchants, were amusing themselves in various ways, Sindbad sat down under a tree near a small river to take his food. He had a good meal and fell asleep. He did not know how long he slept, but when he woke up, the ship was no longer seen.

Questions:

- a) What did Sindbad decide to do at the end of his first voyage?
- b) Why did he embark on a voyage the second time?
- c) Describe the island the merchants reached.
- d) What did the merchants do after landing on the island?
- e) What happened when Sindbad was fast asleep?

OR

Frame a dialogue between two friends discussing and analysing an exciting match.

PART - III

III. Answer any seven of the following

7x3=21

A. Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.

31. Every hillock has a summit to Boast!"

32. "I have also learned to say 'Good bye' when I mean 'good - riddance'".

33. "His power of levitation would make a fakir stare".

B. Answer any two of the following briefly.

34. What made the dogs follow the grandmother after school hours?

35. How do chemists make fortunes out of the medicines people forget to take?

36. What happened to Bryson when he learned to tie his shoelace?

C. Answer any three of the following.

37. You are Joseph, the sports secretary of XYZ school. Draft an e-mail to the Director of Nehru Stadium at central, seeking permission to conduct your school Annual sports Day Celebration in the Stadium.

38. Describe the process of preparing a cup of tea or coffee.

39. Expand the news headlines in a sentence each.

a. Red alert issued for two days in Chennai.

b. Pakistan Vs England in T20 World cup final.

c. Vande Bharat Train from Chennai to Mysuru.

40. Complete the Proverbs choosing the suitable words given in brackets.

a. An idle mind is a devil's ----- (hell, residence, workshop)

b. ----- is in the eye of the beholder. (Magic, Beauty, Problem)

c. Don't judge a book by its----- (Page, cover, letters)

PART - IV

Answer the following.

7x5=35

41. a) Why was Mary Kom named the "Queen of Boxing" and "Magnificent Mary"? OR

b) Narrate the circumstances that led to the narrator getting into a tight corner, by his own folly.

42. a) Explain the things Gabriel Okara has learnt when he grew into an adult? OR

b) The poem "Everest is not the only peak" does not focus on the destination but the journey towards it. Discuss

43. Write an essay of about 150 words by developing the following hints.

a) Philip - travels - train - Brill Manor - Meets Bertie - Second son - Left purse - four quids - needs money - requests - Philip to lend him - two pounds - did not help - true son - mistaken for a fraud.

(OR)

b) Jack and Jill - Things in installments - house on installment - Aunt Jane Visited - preached - ease and comfort of buying - first baby in installment.

44. a) Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.

Corn is the most popular crop in the United States. More than half the corn in the US is grown in Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, and Minnesota. The state of Iowa grows the most. Corn grows almost everywhere. China, Brazil, Mexico, Argentinian, India and France grow lots of corn, but the US grows the most. Corn is an important food in many countries. People use corn flour, called cornmeal, to make baked foods. People also eat cornflakes. At first, people ate cornflakes only in the United States. Now people eat cornflakes all over the world. Some corn is made into popcorn. The corn pops into light fluffy pieces filled with air. People can eat popcorn as a snack. People in the US like to eat corn on the cob. Some people eat corn as a side dish or in salads. Corn syrup

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