



COMMON HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION – 2022

Standard XI

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ENGLISH

Marks: 90
20 x 1 = 20

Time: 3.00 hrs.

Answer all the questions:

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

1. That seemed quite absurd and undignified.
a) lonely b) confusing c) illogical d) disappointing
2. He is an audacious perverter of the truth.
a) efficient b) dangerous c) bold d) ordinary
3. We have to realize the perils of the present.
a) dangers b) greatness c) aims d) promises

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

4. A career of rectitude sometimes has rewards.
a) dishonesty b) good behaviour c) intelligence d) intent
5. I defeated Nadia Hokmi by RSC method.
a) insulted b) succeeded c) comforted d) praised
6. She was like an expanse of pure White serenity.
a) simplicity b) stupidity c) calmness d) anxiety
7. Choose the word that can be added after 'court' to form a compound word.
a) mall b) centre c) yard d) raid
8. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the base word 'manage'.
a) dis_ b) non_ c) mis_ d) un_
9. Choose the meaning of the idiom, "have cold feet".
a) feel happy b) feel enthusiasm
c) feel shy d) feel nervous
10. Fill in the blank with suitable phrasal verb.
The match was _____ due to rain.
a) put out b) put off c) put on d) put up
11. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation IIT.
a) International Institute of Technology b) International Institute of textiles
c) Indian Institute of Technology d) Indian Industrial Training
12. Choose the right definition of 'pulmonologist'.
a) one who treats stomach disorders b) one who treats vision problems
c) one who treats heart problems d) one who treats lung problems
13. Fill in the blank with suitable modal verb.
Students _____ bring their hall tickets for the public exam.
a) must b) can c) may d) might
14. Fill in the blank with a suitable preposition.
I met her _____ lunch on Monday last.
a) at b) on c) of d) from
15. Choose the appropriate question tag for the following sentence.
We are students, _____?
a) are we? b) aren't we? c) shan't we d) do we?
16. Fill in the blank with the correct tense form.
If you heat ice, it _____.
a) is melting b) melted c) will melt d) melts
17. Fill in the blanks with suitable determiner.
I will study in _____ university.
a) a b) an c) the d) (zero article) ' _____'
18. Fill in the blank with a suitable relative pronoun.
He is Mr.Raju, _____ donated so much.
a) who b) whose c) which d) that
19. Choose the clipped form of "Bridge groom".
a) bride b) bridoom c) bgroom d) groom

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Questions:

- a) Which are the fewest number of vehicles which cross the bridge?
 - b) What are the two vehicles, which most people prefer to travel?
 - c) Which vehicle is used mostly after the bikes and cars?
38. Build a dialogue of minimum 3 exchanges between a customer and a mobile mechanic.
39. Describe the process of washing your clothes.
40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below.
- a) The _____ is the father of man. (child, son, daughter)
 - b) _____ lost cannot be recalled. (money, time, history)
 - c) _____ is golden. (time, wealth, time)

Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words :

7 x 5 = 35

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

(OR)

- b) Describe the bond between the grandson and his grandmother in "The Portrait of a Lady".
42. Answer in a paragraph on any one of the following in about 150 words:
- a) How does the poet criticize the modern life in his poem, "Once Upon A Time"?

(OR)

- b) How does Wordsworth stress the fact that Man destroys his source of Joy got from nature?
43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints :
- a) Two friends - made a pact - meet after 20 years - Bob arrived - spoke to policeman on beat - tall man came - climbed to be Jimmy wells - Bob realised - not his friend - policeman in plain clothes - arrested Bob, a noted criminal - reall Jimmy wells - hesitated to arrest friend - sent another with note.

(OR)

- b) Leacock - goes to studio - The photographer dislikes Leacock's face - Passes several comments - Leacock get irritated - photo taken - want to see proof - visits studio again - photo edited - help of technology - upset over changes - calls it worthless - leaves in anger.

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

Acid rain is caused by air pollution. When coal, oil, petrol are burned, the smoke given off contains the gases like sulphur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide. These gases escape unto the atmosphere where they dissolve in water droplets to form weak acids. These acids then fall to the ground in rain, snow or sleet. Acid rain is harmful to plants and animals. It has killed fish in the lakes of North America, Scandinavia, Scotland and Wales. Vast areas of forests are dying because of it, while in many European cities, statues and stone buildings are being eaten away by the acid. It corrodes metal work such as steel bridges and railings and even the water we drink is slowly being polluted by it. Acid rain in the soil washes away important plant foods. It changes certain metals particularly. Aluminium in the soil into a poisonous form. Aluminium then damages tree roots. When the aluminium is washed into Lakes it affects the gills of fish and kills them.

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45. Read the following advertisement and prepare a Bio-data considering yourself fulfilling the conditions mentioned (Write xxx for the name & yyyy for address)

Wanted
<p>Wanted enterprising young man for the post of salesman for our new branch dealing in Textiles. Minimum qualification required degree from any of the recognised University with atleast 2 years experience in the same field</p> <p>Apply with curriculum vitae to</p> <p>RVS Pvt Ltd.</p> <p>No.90, greams road, Chennai - 600 006.</p>

(OR)

Write a letter to your sister studying, in a college in Delhi enquiring about her well being.

46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and rewrite the sentences correctly.
- I cleaned all the furnitures.
 - Raju don't know the answer now.
 - One of my friend is a good dancer.
 - Ragu is senior than me.
 - He goes to school on bus.

(OR)

- ii) Read the following sentences and classify them according to their fields.
- Dr.Sheela is a gynaecologist.
 - Paddy is cultivated more in Tamilnadu.
 - It may rain heavily tomorrow.
 - We want to Kolkata by Coromandel Express.
 - Our National Anthem is an extract from Tagore's Gitanjali.
- (Music, Medicine, Literature, Agriculture, Weather, Politics, Travel)

47. a) Read the following passage and answer questions in your own words :

Thoothukudi, the Pearl City is the Sea Gate Way of Tamilnadu. Its significance as a major port is due to its location close to the East-West International sea route. The city on the Coromandel Coast is an Emerging Energy and Industrial Hub of South India and it has second highest Human Development Index, next to Chennai. It has also a glorious past dating back to the 6th century AD. Ptolemy's geography refers to it as important port of Pandyan Kingdom, a centre of pearl fishery having commercial relations with western India and Alexandria history has recorded it to have been ruled by Early Pandyas. Medieval Cholas and Later Cholas before it came under the rule of Portuguese during the 16th century, the Dutch in the 17th century and the British during the next two centuries. The 21 islands in the sea around this 'all weather port city' are notified as the first Marine Biosphere Reserve of India because of the existing 36000 species of flora and fauna there. The salt pans here produce 1.2 million tonnes of salt every year. The city has a well-connected transport network by road, rail, air and sea.

Questions :

- Name the ancient kingdoms to which the city had been a part of?
 - When did the British rule over the city?
 - What is the historical evidence mentioned in the passage?
 - Why is the city a Marine Biosphere Reserve?
 - Give reasons for the city being an important port. (OR)
- b) Construct a dialogue between two friends discussing their future plans after +2.
