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Standard XII

Reg.No.

ENGLISH

Time : 3.00 hrs

Part - I

Marks : 90

20 x 1 = 20

1. Answer all the questions:

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

- I experienced not only agony and fear but also anger.
a) suffering b) frustration c) confusion d) pride
- The liberties of everybody must be curtailed.
a) supported b) reduced c) maintained d) preserved
- We watched for a few moments; then as trade slackened we went over.
a) prospered b) continued c) increased d) reduced

Choose the most appropriate antonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences :

- Actually, one can swallow tea-leaves in considerable quantities without ill-effect.
a) significant b) ample c) abundant d) insignificant
- We made frequent changes of lead.
a) rare b) special c) strange d) gradual
- Just as we thought our chuckles had subsided.
a) increased b) abated c) slumped d) eased
- Choose the trisyllabic word:
a) initial b) command c) property d) enthusiastic
- Choose the correct compound word that can be placed after the word "soft".
a) run b) walk c) ware d) pillow
- Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word "tour".
a) non b) de c) co d) mis
- Choose the right combination for the blended word 'paratroops'.
a) parachute + troop b) parachute + troops
c) para + armytroop d) paranormal + troops
- Choose the suitable meaning for the underlined idiom in the following sentence.
At present the performance of the State's Kabbadi team is "at a low ebb".
a) at the peak b) outstanding
c) up to the expectation d) on the decline
- Choose the correct **question tag** for the following statement.
The caricature is very funny, _____?
a) is it b) does it c) doesn't it d) isn't it
- Raja is quite short but his brothers are both really tall.
a) diminutive b) undersized
c) vertically challenged d) abruptly challenged
- Choose the American English word for "wash basin".
a) washer b) basin c) sink d) sinker
- Fill in the blank with a suitable **phrasal verb**
War broke out on 15th September.
a) started suddenly b) spread all over
c) ended suddenly d) damaged entirely

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16. Choose the right expansion of NOC
- a) National Optical Company b) Name of the Company
c) No Objection Certificate d) Nation Oriented Company
17. Choose the appropriate phrases and complete the following sentence :
_____ the rain stopped, we rushed to our home.
- a) In order to b) As soon as c) Instead of d) In spite of
18. Choose the correct sentence pattern for the following sentence.
"Judges sentenced him guilty"
- a) SVCA b) SVOA c) SVIDO d) SVOC
19. Fill in the blanks with a suitable relative pronoun.
The girl _____ secured the first rank got several prizes.
- a) whose b) who c) whom d) that
20. Choose the clipped form of the word for "newscast"
- a) cast b) new c) casts d) news

Part - II

Section - I

II. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four sets : 4 x 2 = 8

21. All through the summer at ease we lay
And daily from the turret wall
We watched the mowers in the hay.
- a) Who does 'we' refer to?
b) How did the soldiers spend the summer days?
22. "A gray baboon sits statue - like alone
Watching the sunrise"
- a) Where did the baboon sit?
b) Mention the figure of speech used in the about lines.
23. All the world's a stage
- a) What is the world compared to?
b) identify the figure of speech employed?
24. This is my son, mine own Telemachus
To whom I leave the sceptre and the isle
Well-loved of me.
- a) Who does Ulysses entrust his Kingdom to, in his absence?
b) Bring out the significance of the 'sceptre'.
25. Tell him solitude is creative If he is strong
and the final decisions are made in silent rooms.
- a) How would his being alone help the boy?
b) Where are the final decisions taken?
26. A film the mother-eagle's eye
When her bruised eaglet breathes
- a) Who is compared to the mother eagle in the above lines?
b) Explain the comparison.

Section - II

Do as directed (any three)

3 x 2 = 6

27. Answer any three of the following

Report the following dialogue :

Manager : Have you brought all your certificate?

Arun : Yes sir, you can verify them.

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28. Though Sharan is not sick, he feels weak. (change into compound sentence)
29. If you should need my help, just call me. (begin with should)
30. I completed my homework yesterday. (change the voice)

Part - III

Section - I

2 x 3 = 6

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

31. "A gray baboon sits statue - like alone"
32. They have their exits and their entrances;
And one man in his time plays many parts".
33. He will be lonely enough
to have time for the work.

Section - II

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

2 x 3 = 6

34. What is the second golden rule in the preparation of tea?
35. Describe the stool that the narrator's family had.
36. What injuries did they sustain in the accident?

Section - III

Answer any three of the following :

3 x 3 = 9

37. Write a dialogue of at least 3 utterances between the Pedestrian and the Traffic police man.
38. Rearrange the jumbled proverb :
 - a) who help / themselves / God / those / helps
 - b) brain / is the / workshop / an idle / devil's
 - c) a pound / prevention / of cure / an ounce of / is better than
39. Write any three precautions to be taken at home, before a cyclone hit.
40. Complete the following :
 - a) Cruelty deserves no _____.
 - a) enemy b) friend c) mercy
 - b) Care and diligence bring _____.
 - a) bane b) luck c) curse
 - c) Burnt child _____ fire.
 - a) likes b) hates c) dreads

Part - IV

Answer the following:

7 x 5 = 35

41. a) What message is conveyed through the story "Two Gentlemen of Verona"?
(OR)
- b) How did Hillary and Tenzing prepare themselves before they set off to the summit?
42. a) How does Shakespeare describe the seven different roles played by man during his life-time? (OR)
- b) Bring out the qualities of the young french soldier as portrayed by the poet in "Incident of the French Camp"
43. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the given hints.
 - a) Aksionov - imprisoned - murder not committed by him - 26 years in prison - hair turned grey - lean and thin - pray to God - called 'Saint' by mates - live peacefully - died peacefully. (OR)
 - b) Group of school children - planet Venus - raining for 7 years - predicted Sun - for two hours - children in activity - Margot thin girl - not mingling - children locked her in a closet - Sun appeared - children played - rain clouds appeared - unlocked the closet - Margot came out - power of Sun.

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44. a) **Make notes or summarise the following passage :**

Preethi Srinivasan is a former cricketer from Tamilnadu, who played domestic cricket in the 1990's. At the age of eight, she was the youngest girl to play in the state cricket team. At the age of 17, she captained that Tamil Nadu women's under 19 cricket team in a national tournament in 1997, and registered its only victory ever. She was also a state level gold winner in 50 m breaststroke swimming event. But the following year, she suffered a spinal cord injury in an accident in Puducherry that left her quadriplegic. Her own trauma inspired her to create "Soul-Free", a foundation that aims to help Indian youth to cope with disabilities related to spinal cord injuries, and how suitable precautions can help them out. Instead of the term "differently-abled", "Soul-Free" employs the term "Positively-abled" for those suffering from a disability. She is active in social life and earned many honours too. In 2018, she received the Kalpana Chawala Award for the Courage and Daring Enterprise. (OR)

b) Write a paragraph of about 150 words on the topic "The importance of Personal Hygiene"

45. a) Write a letter to the Postmaster of your area complaining about the irregular delivery of your letter. (OR)

b) Write a letter to your Grandfather explaining your hostel life.

46. a) **Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them.**

i) Brutus stabbed Caesar by a dagger.

ii) They described about the scenery.

iii) She doesn't like coffee, isn't it?

iv) India defeated Pakistan by innings.

v) I never do any work behind 10 p.m. (OR)

b) **Fill in the blanks :**

i) You _____ not lose any more weight. You are already slim.

(use a semi-modal verb)

ii) The _____ has a strong _____ in his home. (mare, Mayor)

iii) How _____ you ask me such a question? (use a semi modal verb)

iv) In the army soldiers _____ obey their officers. (use a modal verb)

47. a) **Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :**

The Mettur dam is a large dam in India built in 1934. It was constructed on a gorge, where the river Kaveri enters the plains. The dam is one of the oldest in India. It provides irrigation facilities to a part of Salem, the length of a Erode, Namakkal, Karur, Tiruchirappalli and Thanjavur. The Mettur Hydro Electrical Power Project is also quite large. The dam, the park, power stations and hills make Mettur tourist attraction.

Questions :

i) What is a gorge? _____

a) town

b) village

c) valley

d) church

ii) What are the districts which get irrigation from the dam?

iii) Is the Mettur dam a place of tourist attraction?

iv) When was the Mettur Dam built?

v) **Say True or False:** Coal is used to generate Hydro Electric Power. (OR)

b) **Develop the hints into a story of 150 words :**

Once a bee - fell into a pond - pigeon flew past - dropped a leaf - bee climbed on leaf - escaped - a hunter - aimed at pigeon - the bee stung - lost his aim - pigeon escaped.
