

Time: 3.00 hrs.

Answer all the questions.

Write the correct answer along with the corresponding option codes.

Choose the correct **Synonyms** for the underlined words.

- Nicola and Jacopo were childish enough in many ways quite artless
a) Strange b) Innocent c) Gentle d) Wicked
- Dr Barnad realized that those two children had given him a profound lesson
a) Very great b) very serious c) very harmful d) very careful
- _____ the end of such liberty would be universal chaos
a) mystery b) confusion c) destruction d) harmony

Choose the correct **Antonym** for the underlined words.

- All encrusted icicles concealed his face.
a) open b) close c) hide d) shut
- Their action brought a new nobility to human life
a) dignity b) greatness c) superiority d) dishonor
- We can't appreciate light if we haven't known darkness
a) interpret b) applaud c) criticize d) praise
- Choose the correct combination of the compound word 'Draw back'.
a) Noun + Noun b) Verb + Adjective
c) Adjective + Noun d) Noun + Gerund
- Form a derivative by adding the right **suffix** to the word Manage
a) _ment b) _ful c) _ish d) _ly
- Fill in the blank with a suitable **relative pronoun**
She is Mrs. Shalini _____ teaches Sanskrit.
a) whose b) who c) where d) whom
- Choose the suitable meaning of the idiom found in the following sentence
There is a restaurant just round the corner.
a) in the corner b) in the middle
c) very near d) at a distance.
- Choose the right combination for the blended word 'Forex'
a) Foreign + change b) foreign + express
c) force + exchange d) foreign + exchange
- Fill in the blank with suitable **Preposition**
Afsar will meet me _____ Friday morning.
a) on b) in c) at d) of
- Add suitable question tag to the following statement.
You have not returned my books yet.
a) Haven't you? b) Have you? c) Do you? d) don't you
- Select the correct expansion of **CIA**
a) Central Investigation Agent. b) Central Investigation Agenda
c) Central Investigation Agency. d) Central Investigation Army
- Choose the correct **sentence pattern** for the following sentence.
The birds fly gracefully in the sky
a) SVIDO b) SVOA c) SVOC d) SVAA
- Choose the clipped word for 'Perambulator'
a) Pram b) Peram c) Ambulator d) Ram
- Substitute the underlined word with the appropriate **Polite alternative**.
Dheeraj is unemployed.
a) without job b) seeking job c) between jobs d) jobless

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18. Fill in the blank with a suitable Prepositional phrase
Many tourists visited Ooty _____ heavy rains
a) In spite of b) instead of c) in case of d) in favour of
19. Choose the correct American English word for pull over
a) coat b) sweater c) apron d) shirt
20. Fill in the blank with appropriate Article
We met _____ Americans at the restaurant
a) a b) an c) the d) Zero article

Part - II

Section - A

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

21. A film the mother - eagle's eye
When her bruised eaglet breathes
a) Who is compared to the mother eagle? b) Explain the comparison.
22. Then the whining school-boy, with his satchel
And shining morning face, creeping like snail
Unwillingly to school.
a) Which stage of life is being referred to here?
b) Identify the figure of speech in the second line.
23. _____ Free imaginations
Brining changes into a world resenting change.
a) How does free imagination help the world? b) Identify the figure of speech.
24. The giant wears the scarf, and flowers are hung
In crimson clusters all the bough among.
a) Who is the giant here? b) Why is the scarf colourful?
25. "Our gates were strong, our walls were thick,
So smooth and high, no man could win"
a) How safe was the castle? b) What was the firm belief of the soldiers?
26. "Life is hard, be steel, be a rock"
a) How should one face life? b) Identify the figure of speech.

Section - B

Do as directed:

3 x 2 = 6

Answer any three of the following questions.

27. Report the following dialogue.

Manager: Have you brought all your certificates?

Arun: Yes Sir, you can verify them.

28. The smuggler has been nabbed by the police. (Change the voice)

29. The mountain was steep but he was able to climb it.

(Rewrite as a complex sentence)

30. If I were you, I would accept this offer. (Begin with 'Were')

Part - II

Section-A

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

31. I'm killed, "Sife! And, his Chief beside,

Smiling, the boy fell dead".

2 x 3 = 6

32. "Is second childishness and mere oblivion:

Sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything"

33. Dear is the Casuarina to my soul :

Section -B

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

34. Why should individual liberty be curtailed ?

35. Describe the appearance of Nicola and Jacopo

2 x 3 = 6

36. What did Hillary find in a tiny hollow?



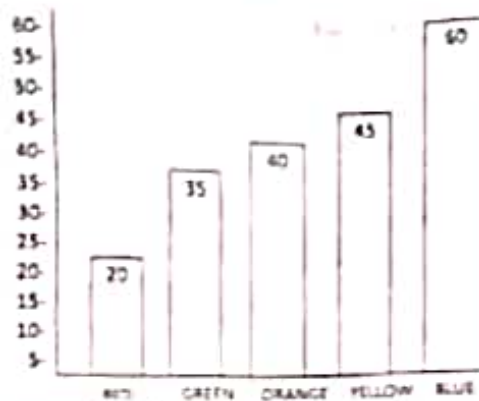
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Section - C

3 x 3 = 9

Answer any three of the following

37 Study the bar diagram and answer the questions based on it. The table below shows the favorite colour of 200 kids in a class



- a) Which colour is the most preferred?
 b) How many kids chose red as their favourite colour?
 c) Which colour is the least preferred?
38. Describe the process of sending letter by courier service
39. Rearrange the jumbled sentences correctly
 a) revenge/ is / the/ best/ form/ forgiveness/ of
 b) Pi/jungle/in/Richard Parker /a / left
 c) a/comedy / hearted / light / is / Remember Caesar
40. Complete the proverbs by choosing appropriate words.
- i) The face is the index of the _____
 a) Head b) nose c) mind d) eye
- ii) All that glitters is not _____
 a) gold b) silver c) aluminum d) iron
- iii) _____ is wealth
 a) money b) power c) Health d) Beauty

PART - IV

Answer the following in a paragraph in about 150 words.

7 x 5 = 35

41. a) Summarise George Orwell's distinctive ideas in 'A Nice cup of Tea' (OR)
 b) Narrate the humorous incidents that happened in the author's home before and after the arrival of the chair
42. a) Bring out the message of the poem 'The Castle' (OR)
 b) What makes Ulysses seek newer adventures?
43. Answer anyone of the following in a paragraph in about 150 words by developing the following hints.
- a) Baldwin - honest - loyal to boss - Gresham's appropriation of funds - arrested for fraud in Bank - Baldwin's suggestion - return money - Gresham refuses - offers Baldwin 100 thousand dollars - "I don't remember" in court - Baldwin's reaction - Gresham's confession. (OR)
- b) Lord Weston - Pompous and vain - expressed displeasure for Roger's request - discovered a piece of paper - 'Remember Caesar' - someone affected by his judgment - both Weston and Roger took measures - appointment to visit garden - absent mindedness - crux of the play
44. Write a Summary (or) make notes of the following passage.

Tea has been an important beverage for thousands of years. It is consumed by two-thirds of the world's population. India is the second largest tea producer in the world after China, although over 70 percent of it tea is consumed within India. Tea has been proved to offer numerous health benefits. Scientists and researchers

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have found that drinking tea could reduce the risk of heart diseases. The antioxidants in tea might prevent cancer. Regular tea drinking might help one in lowering blood sugar and blood pressure. Tea might be an effective agent in the prevention and treatment of neurological disorders. The consumption of tea results in the strengthening of one's teeth, bones and immune system. However drinking too much tea may prove to be harmful to one's health. So drinking tea moderately could make one healthier. Researchers have confirmed the significant overall health benefits of drinking tea. Research has found that the antioxidants in green and black tea are much greater than the levels found in fruits and vegetables. As a general rule it is said that two cups of tea are equivalent to five portions of fruit or vegetables in antioxidant capacity. Herbal teas are not made from the camellia plant but from dried herbs, spices, flowers, fruit, seeds, roots or leaves of other plants. They do not typically contain caffeine as do traditional teas.

- 45 a) Write a letter to the Headmaster of your school requesting him to help you obtain a duplicate mark sheet of class XII which you lost while travelling.
(OR)

b) Write a letter to your friend sharing your travel experience to Delhi.

- 46 a) Read the following sentences. Spot the errors and correct them.

- i) Ruby gave me an one rupee coin.
- ii) Rohit kept the book in the table.
- iii) Ramya sells wooden furnitures.
- iv) Though Rohan is ill but he attends the class.
- v) Neither Raveena nor Radhika are intelligent.

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b) Fill in the blanks appropriately.

- i) We _____ (see) a wonderful film last night.

[Use the correct form of the verb]

- ii) How _____ you enter my room? [Use a semi-modal]
- iii) If it rained they _____ (cancel) the match [Use the correct tense]
- iv) _____ have to wait for their turn with _____ [patience/patience]

- 47 a) Identify each of the following sentences with the fields given below.
(Literature, Media, Education, Politics, Weather)

- a) Computer education is introduced in schools.
- b) Shakespeare wrote a number of plays.
- c) Due to heavy rain the match was cancelled.
- d) The film was not released due to stay order.
- e) The ruling party has lost the election.

(OR)

b) Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words.

Schools all over India celebrate Children's Day on 14th November every year. On this day our great Prime Minister, who had a great love for children, was born. His ancestors came down from Kashmir to the rich plains below. Kaul had been his family name. This changed to Kaul- Nehru and in later years Kaul was dropped and they simply became Nehrus. Jawaharlal Nehru was the only son of his prosperous parents. His two sisters were much younger to Jawaharlal Nehru. And so he grew up and spent his early years as a lonely child with no companion of his own age. Private tutors were in charge of his education. Then he went to England and was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge.

Questions:

- i) Why is 14 November celebrated as Children's Day?
- ii) Why did Jawaharlal Nehru spend his early years as a lonely child?
- iii) Where did Pandit Nehru's ancestors come from?
- iv) What was their family name?
- v) Name the educational institution he attended in England?

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PART – I		
1.	Answer all the questions:	20 x 1 = 20
	Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.	
01	(b) innocent	3 Marks
02	(a) very great	
03	(b) confusion	
	Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.	
04	(a) open	3 Marks
05	(d) dishonour	
06	(c) criticize	
07	Verb + Adverb / Verb + Preposition	1 Mark
08	(a) _ment	1 Mark
09	(b) who	1 Mark
10	(c) very near	1 Mark
11	(d) Foreign + Exchange	1 Mark
12	(a) on	1 Mark
13	(b) have you	1 Mark
14	Central Intelligence Agency	1 Mark
15	(d) SVAA	1 Mark
16	(a) pram	1 Mark
17	(c) between jobs	1 Mark
18	(a) In spite of	1 Mark
19	(b) sweater	1 Mark
20	(a) the	1 Mark

PART – II		
SECTION - 1		
	Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following.	4 x 2 = 8
21	(a) Napoleon is compared to the mother eagle. (b) The concerned mother eagle sees her bruised eagle that breathes painfully. Likewise Napoleon showed his love and concern to the young wounded soldier who was about to breathe his last.	1 Mark 1 Mark
22	(a) Second stage / school boy (b) simile	1 Mark 1 Mark
23	(a) Free imagination helps to bring changes in the world. (b) Transferred epithet.	1 Mark 1 Mark
24	(a) casuarina tree (b) because it is made of crimson coloured flowers.	1 Mark 1 Mark
25	(a) The castle was very safe as its gates were strong and walls were very thick and thin. (b) The firm belief of the soldiers was that no one could enter the wall.	1 Mark 1 Mark
26	(a) One should face life by being like a steel or rock. (b) metaphor	1 Mark 1 Mark
	SECTION – 2	3 x 2 = 6
	Answer any three questions.	
27	The Manager asked Arun if he had brought all his certificates. Arun replied positively that he could verify them.	2 Marks
28	The police have nabbed the smuggler.	2 Marks
29	Though / Although / Even though the mountain was steep he was able to climb it.	2 Marks
30	Were I you, I would accept this offer.	2 Marks
	PART – III - Section - 1	
(i)	Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.	2 x 3 = 6
	Name of the poem Name of the poet Explanation	1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark
31	Poem : Incident of the French Camp Poet : Robert Browning	
32	Poem :All the world's a stage Poet :William Shakespeare	

33	Poem : Our casuarina tree Poet : Toru Dutt	
SECTION - 2		
	Answer any two of the following in not more than 30 words.	2 x 3 = 6
34	In order to avoid social anarchy, liberties of individuals must be curtailed. Liberty is not a personal affair, but a social contract.	3 Marks
35	Nicola, the elder was thirteen years old and Jacopo was nearly twelve years old. Nicola was wearing an old damaged Jersey and cut-off Khaki pants. Jacopo was wearing a shortened army tunic gathered in loose folds. Both Nicola and Jacopo had tangled hair, dark earnest eyes and brown skin.	3 Marks
36	Hillary found two oxygen cylinders left by Evans and Bourdillon in a tiny hollow.	3 Marks
SECTION - 3		
	Answer any three of the following.	3 x 3 = 9
37	a) blue b) 20 c) red	3 Marks
38	Describe the process of sending letter by courier Service.	3 Marks
39	Rearrange the jumbled sentences correctly. a) Forgiveness is the best form of revenge. b) Pi left Richard Parker in a jungle. c) Remember Caesar is a light hearted comedy.	3 Marks
40	Complete the proverbs. a) honesty b) manners c) rome	3 Marks
PART - IV		
	Answer the following:	7 x 5 = 35
41 (a) or (b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Content - (60%), Language, style and organisation (40%) ➤ Exceptionally good paragraph ➤ Correct answer with all points with no mistakes ➤ Correct answer with a few mistakes ➤ Answer with a few points ➤ Answer with a few points and many mistakes 	5 Marks 4 Marks 3 Marks 2 Marks 1 Mark

46	<p>i) Spot the errors and correct them.</p> <p>a) Ruby gave me a one rupee coin. 1 Mark</p> <p>b) Rohit kept the book on the table. 1 Mark</p> <p>c) Ramya sells wooden furniture. 1 Mark</p> <p>d) Though Rohan is ill, he attends the class/ Rohan is ill but he attends the class. 1 Mark</p> <p>e) Neither Raveena nor Radhika is intelligent. 1 Mark</p> <p>(or)</p> <p>a) saw 1 Mark</p> <p>b) dare 1 Mark</p> <p>c) would cancel 1 Mark</p> <p>d) patients, patience 2 Marks</p>	
47	<p>Identify the field.</p> <p>a</p> <p>a) Education</p> <p>b) Literature</p> <p>c) Weather</p> <p>d) Media</p> <p>e) Politics</p>	5 Marks
	<p>b</p> <p>Comprehension passage.</p> <p>a) On this day, our great prime minister who had a great love her children, was born. 1 Mark</p> <p>b) Jawaharlal Nehru was the only son of his prosperous parents. His two sisters were much younger to Jawaharlal Nehru. And so, he grew up and spent his early years as a lonely child with no companion of his own age. 1 Mark</p> <p>c) Kashmir 1 Mark</p> <p>d) Kaul 1 Mark</p> <p>e) Trinity college, England. 1 Mark</p>	

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