

**DIRECTORATE OF GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS, CHENNAI – 6**  
**SSLC EXAMINATION - APRIL - 2023**  
**KEY ANSWER FOR ENGLISH**  
**MAXIMUM MARKS: 100**

Q.No	PART - I (Answer all)	14x1=14
1	b) sadly	1
2	c) widened	1
3	b) pulled	1
4	a) Unusual b) familiar c) unfamiliar d) strange ( any option can be given a mark)	1
5	a) confusion b) disturbance c) unrest d) calmness (any option can be given a mark)	1
6	marks shall be given for mere attempt	1
7	a) formulae / b) formulas (a (or) b can be given marks)	1
8	b) ure	1
9	c) Compact Disc	1
10	c) look after	1
11	c) glasses	1
12	a) on	1
13	a) will return / b) are returning (a (or) b can be given marks)	1
14	c) unless	1
	<b>PART - II Section-1 (Any Three)</b>	<b>3x2=6</b>
15	Hunger / Sight of the food / fish	2
16	Indian Naval Ship Vessel.	2
17	Three days of fasting and some make up	2
18	January-February / January / February / Middle of winter.	2

Section-2 (Any Three)		3x2=6
19	a) Courageous quest / Quest of courage b) The poet hopes that the road's / life's last turn will be the best.	1 1
20	a) Complaining street. b) The people in the street always complain / grumble about everything.	1 1
21	a) Ants work hard and save / plan for the future. b) The ant says these lines to Cricket.	1 1
22	a) Sun, air and water. b) We are fed by peaceful harvests.	1 1
Section-3 (Any Three)		3x2=6
23	My grandmother painted that portrait.	2
24	She asked when I / he / she / we / they would call her.	2
25	"Were you not a good student?" I asked.	2
26	In Spite of his sickness, Raghav attends the rehearsal. (or) In Spite of being sick, Raghav attends the rehearsal. (or) Despite his sickness, Raghav attends the rehearsal. (or) Despite being sick, Raghav attends the rehearsal.	2
27	a) I am as healthy as you are. b) Besides German, Ruben speaks two languages. (or) Ruben speaks two languages besides German. (or) Ruben speaks German besides two languages (or) Besides two languages Ruben speaks German	1 1
Section-4		1x2=2
28	Marks shall be given on mere attempt	

	<b>PART - III (Any two)</b> <b>Section - 1</b> <b>Full Marks can be awarded for paragraphs with any relevant answers without mistakes.</b>	<b>2x5=10</b>
29	The narrator - accompanied his friend Aditya - they visited Aditya's village - after 29 years - visited Nagen uncle tea shop - met Sasanka Sanyal - recited 'Panraksha' - Tagore's poem - with dilated eyes - Aditya felt guilty - narrator noticed sudden change in Aditya's face - they visited ancestral house - went to the attic - searched medal - narrator confused and curious to know the truth - they visited Kabiraj's house - Aditya confessed Sanyal - Stealing his medal - narrator waited till the end calmly - got answers - for all his questions.	5
30	Watson - friend of Holmes arrived - horrified to see Holme's illness - wanted to treat him - Holmes did not allow - Holmes sent Watson - to call Mr. Culverton Smith - Holmes instructed Watson to hide - before Smith's arrival - Smith was behind Victor's murder - there was no evidence - Smith arrived and confessed - his nephew Victor's murder - Smith turned up the gas light - inspector Moron got signal - arrested Culverton Smith - Thus, Watson helped Holmes.	5
31	The young seagull - alone on the ledge - his siblings had flown away - looked down desperately - no food there - gnawed the egg shell - parents encouraged him to fly - he was afraid - did not make an attempt - he screamed to get his mother's attention - she mocked at him - mother bird showed a piece of fish - maddened by hunger - young seagull dived - to grab the fish - fell downwards - with great amount of fear - started flying - bird's family was happy - gave him dogfish as reward.	5
32	Orders from Berlin - to teach German in schools in France - M.Hamel lived there forty years - on his last day - M. Hamel dressed in his beautiful green coat - villagers were sitting - back benches - Hamel did not scold the boys - for coming late - regretted for wasting time - to water his flowers - went for fishing - M.Hamel said - French is the most beautiful - clearest language - for enslaved people - language is the key to their prison - sat gazing outside - clock struck twelve - M.Hamel looking pale - words choked - Wrote Viva La France - on the board - dismissed the class with a gesture.	5

Section-2 (Any two)		2x5=10
Full Marks can be awarded for paragraphs with any relevant answers without mistakes: - (for 33 and 34)		
33	The poet describes - the ant was wise - hard working - save food for future(winter) - never borrow - never lend - the cricket was so lazy - enjoyed the beauty of nature - sang happily - didn't worry about the future - he didn't save food - found no food in winter - the ant well planned - wanted to teach a lesson to the cricket - refused to lend - the cricket - foolish - careless - suffered in winter - felt bad for not saving any food.	5
34	The poet wants - happy life - willing to do something - moving towards his goals - patiently - with determination does not want to worry about - past and future - should not worry about the paths - rough or smooth - Have faith in life - life will bring good things in the end.	5
35	a) cold - scold / meet - street b) a a b b c) Contrast d) Summer - scold	2 1 1 1
36	Title Paraphrasing of poetic lines Conclusion	1 3 1
Section-3 (Any one)		1x5=5
37	i) Once in shining, a cruel ruler declared that all old people must be put to death. ii) A farmer decided to leave his old mother on top of a mountain. iii) The mother dropped the small twigs as markers on the way to help her son return. iv) The son made up his mind to take back his mother home. v) Filled with dread, he hid his mother in his home.	1 1 1 1 1
38 a)	One man from each Chinese family must leave his family to join the army.	1
b)	A teenage girl who lived in a faraway village of China.	1
c)	When she was outside washing clothes.	1
d)	Her father was sitting on a chair, carving a piece of wood.	1
e)	He heard it when he was in the town.	1

Section-4 (Any four)		4x5=20
39	<b>Advertisement</b> Outline Title Picture Captions Address	1 1 1 1 1
40	From - To Date, Salutation. Body of the letter. Subscription and Superscription.	1 1 2 1
41	<b>Report writing</b> Title Date and Writer's Name Content	1 1 3
42	Any five relevant sentences without mistakes	5
43	<b>Notes:</b>  Title  Words/Phrases with all important points. (with/without hyphen) / sub heading with points.  <b>(OR)</b>  <b>Summary:</b> Title Rough copy Fair copy	1  4  1 2 2
44	a) Many students <b>have</b> turned up for the seminar. b) One of the boys <b>is</b> missing. c) I bought <b>a</b> book this morning. d) Sreena avoids <b>eating</b> fruits. e) The deer runs <b>fast</b> .	1 1 1 1 1

	<b>Section - 5</b>	<b>1x5=5</b>
45	<p><b>Quote from memory.</b>          We were taken from the ore-bed and the mine,          We were melted in the furnace and the pit          We were cast and wrought and hammered to design,          We were cut and filed and tooled and gauged to fit.          Some water, coal and oil is all we ask,</p>	5
	<b>PART - IV</b>	<b>2x8=16</b>
46 (a) or (b)	<p>Supplementary - Summary of the story (<i>Any one</i>)          Title          Own summary without mistakes          Moral</p>	<p>1 6 1</p>
47 (a)	<p>i) Foods that do not do good to the body's health in any way.          ii) High level of saturated fats, sugar, salt, and bad cholesterol          Whenever they enjoy a special time with family like a          iii) birthday party, marriage anniversary etc...          iv) Wafers , chips, noodles, Burger, etc., (<b>or</b>) any relevant          answer</p>	<p>2 2 2 2</p>
	<b>(OR)</b>	
47(b)	<p>i) The poet saw a bird.          ii) The bird bit the worm in halves and ate it raw.          iii) Yes, he drank a dew from a convenient grass.          iv) The eyes are compared to the frightened beads.</p>	<p>2 2 2 2</p>