

DIRECTORATE OF GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS – CHENNAI – 6
HSE FIRST YEAR EXAMINATIONS – MARCH / APRIL-2023
ENGLISH – ANSWER KEY

Maximum Marks : 90

1. Answers written only in Black or Blue ink should be evaluated.
2. Full marks should be awarded only for the answers without mistakes and grammatical errors.
3. Answers for more than specified number of questions should be struck and labelled as 'extra'
4. Answers without question numbers should not be evaluated.
5. In part – I (Question No.1 to 20), marks should not be awarded, if the option codes and the corresponding answers don't match. (In case the student has written both)

PART – I

Answer all the questions :		20×1=20
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.		
1.	(b) boring	1
2.	(c) hunger	1
3.	(a) annoyance	1
Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.		
4.	(d) concernedly	1
5.	(c) weakness	1
6.	(d) general	1
7.	(a) yard	1
8.	(c) - ful	1
9.	(a) Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission	1
10.	(a) Copter	1
11.	(d) escape	1
12.	(b) is she?	1
13.	(a) SVIDO	1
14.	(d) brief summary	1
15.	(d) Pre-owned	1
16.	(b) discrepancy	1
17.	(b) against	1
18.	(a) treats diseases specific to women	1
19.	(a) deceived	1
20.	(c) animation	1

PART – II**SECTION -1**

Answer any Four of the following		4×2=8
Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following.		
21	(a) They are the people of the present / Modern people /People of Modern times / Adults of today (b) ‘ Ice – block- cold eyes’ means eyes lacking emotion / a feeling of warmth or endearing expression / feeling and cordiality in relationship	1 1
22	(a) The poet admires the athletes who sweat for fun or hire. / Athletes / Sports persons / Players (b) The athletes sweat for fun or hire. / fun or money / fame / profession	1 1
23	(a) ‘Heaven’ refers to God, the Creator of Nature / God / the place of the creator of Nature. / The place of God (b) The poet calls it ‘holy’ because it is related to God, the Creator. / God’s plan / work of God from heaven / creation of God / Nature’s divinity seen in its creation	1 1
24	(a) Macavity / cat turns his head from side to side like a snake. (b) Simile	1 1
25	(a) We react to defeat with hatred / repel / hate / defeat / detest / fight back (b) Courage / Bravery / Boldness	1 1
26	(a) Cousin of Richard II / Foe of Richard II / King / Henry IV (b) <u>l</u> ands – <u>l</u> ives, <u>c</u> an – <u>c</u> all	1 1

SECTION – 2

Answer any Three questions		3×2=6
27	The librarian instructed / asked / advised / warned / told the students to speak softly.	2
28	(i) That house has been opened by no one / none for several years. (or) (ii) That house has not been opened by any one for several years. (or) (iii) That house has not been opened for several years.	2
29	Ajay and Dinesh were very young so / and so they could not work in the industry.	2
30	Were you a teacher, you would know the difficulties.	2

PART – III**SECTION – 1**

Explain any Two of the following with reference to the context		2×3=6
31	Name of the Poem : Once Upon a Time Name of Poet : Gabriel Okara Explanation	1 1 1
32	Name of the Poem : Lines Written in Early Spring / Lines Written in the Early Spring Name of the Poet : William Wordsworth Explanation	1 1 1
33	Name of the Poem : The Hollow Crown Name of the Poet : William Shakespeare Explanation	1 1 1

SECITON – 2

Answer any Two of the following briefly.		2×3=6
	Answer without mistakes ----> 3 Answer with a few mistakes ----> 2 Relevant answer with some mistakes ----> 1	
34	The people of Delhi gave her a warm welcome at the airport. She was greeted with garlands and drumbeats and dancing in Imphal. There was a victory ride across the town. A felicitation programme was held in Langol. Thanks giving prayers were said. Words of praise and adulation were showered on her. She was presented with a traditional shawl. (Any Two above or relevant points can be given full marks)	3
35	The angler forgets his fishing rod thinking of his day's sport as the poet forgets to post a letter because his mind is filled with matter more glorious. / The absent mindedness filled with matter more glorious is considered a virtue.	3
36	The clerk said that Bryson was not entitled to flyer miles because the ticket was in the name of B. Bryson / Bill Bryson and the card was in the name of W. Bryson. / William Bryson. / Bryson's flyer card contained a different initial.	3

SECTION – 3

	Answer any Three of the following : -	3×3 = 9
37	(a) earned (b) walls (c) lining	1 1 1
38	Preparing a notice about the inauguration of a laughter club Format of the Notice Date & Title Content	1 1 1
39	Process of making vegetable salad Any three meaningful sentences without mistakes -----> 3 Any three meaningful sentences with a few mistakes -----> 2 Sentences with many mistakes -----> 1	3
40	Giving important tips to sister to prepare for the final examination Format of the e-mail To and Subject Content	1 1 1

PART – IV

	Answer the following	7×5=35
41	Content – (60%), Language, style and organization (40%) (a) ➤ Exceptionally good paragraph Or ➤ Correct answer with all points and no mistakes (b) ➤ Correct answer with a few mistakes ➤ Answer with a few points and many mistakes	5 4 3 2
42(a)	Content – (60%), Language, style and organization (40%) Or ➤ Exceptionally good paragraph (b) ➤ Correct answer with all points and no mistakes ➤ Correct answer with a few mistakes ➤ Answer with a few points and many mistakes	5 4 3 2
43(a)	Content – (60%), Language, style and organization (40%) Or ➤ Exceptionally good paragraph (b) ➤ Correct answer with all points and no mistakes ➤ Correct answer with a few mistakes ➤ Answer with a few points and many mistakes	5 4 3 2

44	<p>(a) Summarizing Title 1 Rough Copy 1 Fair Copy 3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or</p> <p>(b) Construct a dialogue between two senior citizens chatting about how they spend their life after retirement from job, in not less than five exchanges.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Five meaningful exchanges without mistakes 5 ➤ Exchanges or relevant points with a few mistakes 4 ➤ Exchanges with a few mistakes 3 ➤ Exchanges with some points and a few mistakes 2 ➤ Exchanges with many mistakes. 1 	
45	<p>(a) From & To 1 Salutation ½ Subject & Reference 1 Body of the letter 1 Bio Data / Curriculum vitae / Resume 1 Subscription ½</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Or)</p> <p>(b) From & To 1 Salutation ½ Subject ½ Body of the letter 2 Subscription, Place & Date 1</p>	
46	<p>a. (i) Packet, Pocket 2 (ii) would have visited / could have visited 1 (iii) used to 1 (iv) while / when 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or</p> <p>b. (i) Neither of the boys is guilty. / 1 (ii) Balaji is junior to me. 1 (iii) Our teacher gives us a lot of advice. 1 (iv) The quality of the mangoes was good. / 1 (v) The tourists took many photos during their trip. 1</p>	

47	(i) Positive and Negative are the two types of thinking.	1
(a)	(ii) Brain is like a powerful computer. / Machine of thoughts./ Everything starts from our brain. Whatever you have been learning since your birth is stored in your brain. (Any other relevant point may be awarded marks.)	1
	(iii) The positive things one should follow are faith, love, honour, praise and to achieve high dream./ Positive thinking / One should leave one's negative thinking.	1
	(iv) To be a successful person one has to change one's / his / her mental programming / One can achieve success after diluting the negative programming from one's / his / her brain.	1
	(v) Negative thinking is the hindrance for one's progress. / Negative thinking	1
	Or	
(b)	Content – (60%), Language, style and organization (40%)	
	➤ Exceptionally good paragraph	5
	➤ Correct answer with all points and no mistakes	4
	➤ Correct answer with a few mistakes	3
	➤ Answer with a few points and many mistakes	2