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INSTANT SUPPLEMENTARY EXAM - JUNE 2023

PART - II - ENGLISH

Reg. No.

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Time allowed : 3.00 Hours]

(With Answers)

[Maximum Marks : 90

Instructions : 1. Check the question paper for fairness of printing. If there is any lack of fairness, inform the Hall Supervisor immediately.

2. Use Blue or Black ink to write and underline.

Part - I

Answer all the questions.

(20 x 1 = 20)

Choose the appropriate answer from the given four alternatives and write the option code and the corresponding answer.

Choose the appropriate synonyms of the underlined word in each of the following sentences.

1. Words of praise and adulation were showered on me.

- (a) gratitude                      (b) appreciation
- (c) wisdom                        (d) encouragement

2. As inheritors of that rich legacy, you are best suited to overcome even the environment.

- (a) benefactors                  (b) custodians
- (c) successors                  (d) founders

3. I realized that a career of rectitude sometimes has rewards beyond.....

- (a) dedication                  (b) humility
- (c) honesty                        (d) confidence

Choose the appropriate antonyms of the underlined word in each of the following sentences.

4. Her happiest moments were with her sparrows whom she fed ..... with frivolous rebukes.

- (a) feeble                         (b) serious
- (c) careless                      (d) quick

5. .... I am always reluctant to trust a departing visitor to post an important letter.

- (a) unwilling                    (b) eager
- (c) lucky                         (d) willing

6. So you will understand, I trust, when I tell you how much I ache to be suave.

- (a) unkind                        (b) normal
- (c) impolite                      (d) unjust

7. Choose the root word that used to form derivative with prefix 'un .....

- (a) sufficient                      (b) comfortable
- (c) necessary                      (d) fortunate

8. Choose the word that can be added after 'radio' to form a compound word.

- (a) tune    (b) time    (c) news    (d) gram

9. A seismologist is an expert in the study of .....

- (a) fossils                         (b) artefacts
- (c) earthquakes                (d) atmosphere

10. Choose the appropriate meaning of the idiomatic expression used in the given sentence.

One man had been caught by the tide in Brittany and escaped by the skin of his teeth.

- (a) fortunately                  (b) narrowly
- (c) carefully                      (d) boldly

11. Choose the unclipped form of 'flu'.

- (a) efflux                         (b) influenza
- (c) flutist                         (d) fluctuation

12. Choose the monosyllabic word.

- (a) blush                         (b) cover
- (c) edit                            (d) abide

13. Replace the phrasal verb in the sentence with the suitable single word.

The NSS students put up a tent in the playground.

- (a) arranged                      (b) erected
- (c) cleaned                        (d) opened

14. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation 'GDP'.

- (a) Group Direct Project
- (b) Group Domestic Product
- (c) Gross Domestic Product
- (d) Gross Direct Project

15. Choose the word that has been wrongly spelt.

- (a) bloatocrat                      (b) influential
- (c) perseverance                (d) magazines

- 16. Replace the underlined word with the suitable phrasal verb.  
My father always supports truth and honesty.  
(a) stands up (b) stands for  
(c) stands by (d) stands out
- 17. Choose the plural form of the given word "Shepherdess".  
(a) Shepherdessies (b) Shepherdessus  
(c) Shepherdessis (d) Shepherdesses
- 18. Fill in the blank with a suitable preposition.  
The cat is hiding \_\_\_\_\_ the bookcase.  
(a) between (b) behind  
(c) around (d) within
- 19. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence.  
The teacher must develop a good 'rapport' with his students.  
(a) fake friendship with selfish motives.  
(b) close relationship with good understanding.  
(c) unhealthy relationship with evil intensions.  
(d) dignified friendship with implied contract.
- 20. Fill in the blanks with a suitable deteminer.  
Anu has taken \_\_\_\_\_ photos during the programme.  
(a) little (b) much  
(c) many (d) more

**Part - II Section - 1**

Answer **any four** of the following. (4×2=8)

Read the sets of poetic lines given and answer the questions that follow.

- 21. "I want to be what I used to be  
When I was like you....."  
(a) Who is referred to as 'I' here?  
(b) What does he long for?
- 22. *My limp and bashful spirit feeds  
On other people's heroic deeds.*  
(a) Explain - "limp and bashful spirit".  
(b) Pick out the rhyming words.
- 23. "And 'tis my faith that every flower  
Enjoys the air it breathes...."  
(a) What is the poet's faith?  
(b) Pick out the words in alliteration.
- 24. "For he's a fiend in feline shape,  
a monster of depravity".  
(a) How is the cat described in this line?  
(b) Explain the phrase 'monster of depravity'.

- 25. *Honour is a property, common to all:  
In dignity and pride no one need to be poor.*  
(a) Who are considered rich?  
(b) What is their asset?
- 26. "And nothing can we call our own but death;  
And that small model of the barren earth",  
(a) What can we call our own?  
(b) What does the 'Small model' refer to here?

**Section - 2**

Answer **any three** of the following questions. (3×2=6)

- 27. Jones said to Praveen, "I bought a new car last week".  
(Rewrite as a Reported speech).
- 28. We speak English everyday.  
(Change the Voice).
- 29. The police opened the old building  
They saw a snake slithering through the window  
(Combine into a Complex Sentence).
- 30. My brother had severe pain in his leg  
Yet he completed the marathon race  
(Change into a Simple Sentence)

**Part - III Section - 1**

Explain **any two** of the following with reference to the context. (2×3=6)

- 31. I have also learned to Say "Good bye"  
When I mean "Good - riddance :"
- 32. "He always has an alibi and one or two to spare :"
- 33. "I live with bread like you, feel want, Taste grief, need friends....."

**Section - 2**

Answer **any two** of the following questions in not more than **30** words. (2×3=6)

- 34. What was the happiest time of the day for grandmother?
- 35. Name a few things that a person remembers easily.
- 36. What was Bryson's worst accident on a plane?

**Section - 3**

Answer **any three** of the following. (3×3=9)

- 37. Prepare a notice to inform the students of class 11 and 12 about a quiz competition to be held in you school.
- 38. Describe the process of preparing tea.
- 39. Write an e-mail to your uncle thanking him for the gift that he had sent from Dubai.
- 40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below.  
(a) Make \_\_\_\_\_ while the sun shines. (paddy/ hay/ bricks)

- (b) One \_\_\_\_\_ does not make a garland. (flower/ bead/ leaf)
- (c) A bad \_\_\_\_\_ always blames his tools. (master/ dentist/ workman)

**Part - IV**  
**(7×5=35)**

**41.** Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.

- (a) Why was Mary Kom named the 'Queen of Boxing'?

**(OR)**

- (b) Narrate the circumstances that led to the narrator getting into a tight corner, by his own folly.

**42.** Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.

- (a) 'Nature can nurture'. Describe how this process happens with reference to the poem "Lines written in the "Early Spring".

**(OR)**

- (b) The poem "Everest is not the only peak" does not focus on the destination but the journey towards it. Discuss.

**43.** Answer in a paragraph of about 150 words developing the following hints.

- (a) After twenty years written by O. Henry – Jimmy wells and Bob childhood friends – lived in New York – parted – to meet after 20 years – Bob to the West – Wells stayed – Bob changed a lot – a Criminal – Wells – a policeman – Bob came – couldn't recognise – Wells identified – respected friendships – sent another policeman – arrested Bob.

**(OR)**

- (b) The singing lesson by Katherine Mansfield - Miss Meadows, music teacher - in despair - Mary playing the piano - girls sensed unhappiness - selected 'A Lament' - thought of letter - her fiance Basil - not for Marriage - 'A Lament' repeated - got a call - headmistress - telegram from fiance - to forget previous letter - Came back happily.

**44.** Summarize the following passage:

- (a) The most important thing is that we should have freedom of thought. This is not as easy as it sounds for everyone likes to have this freedom for himself, but is not ready to give it to others when they express different opinions. This is particularly the case when differences of opinion arise on such important matters, as religion or politics. But if we refuse to let other people hold their opinions on these matters, and specially, if we try to force

them to accept our own, progress impossible. If everyone went on thinking the same things as his ancestors thought. Progress would come to an end, because Buddha said, "What a man thinks, he becomes".

So if we think exactly what our forefathers thought, we shall remain in the condition in which they were. Our thoughts depend a good deal upon what we read and what we talk about. Therefore, if we want to think new thoughts, we must try to study all sides of the topic that comes before us, and not to content only with what we read in newspapers or what others say.

**(OR)**

- (b) Write a report on the 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Celebration in your school.

**45.** (a) Write a letter to a sports company ordering sports items for the Physical Education Department of your school.

**(OR)**

- (b) Write a letter to your friend inviting him to attend the wedding of your elder brother and help you in making arrangements.

**46.** (a) Read the following sentences, spot the error and rewrite them correctly.

- (i) Linguistics are an interesting field of study.
- (ii) This is one of the photograph we took yesterday.
- (iii) The Government is planning to create an Unified portal for citizens' services.
- (iv) I always prefer to pay by cash.
- (v) Which is the most easiest way to resolve this problem?

**(OR)**

- (b) (i) The air-hostess was wearing a \_\_\_\_\_ saree, when she boarded the \_\_\_\_\_ (pane/plain).
- (ii) My father \_\_\_\_\_ play cricket, when he was in college. (Use a semi-modal verb)
- (iii) The management has decided to take severe action \_\_\_\_\_ the protestors. (Fill in the blank with the suitable preposition)
- (iv) The train \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) before the excursion party reached the station. (Use the correct tense form of the verb).

47. (a) Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

Books are not a lie but true,  
they give you the knowledge  
of honesty and cruelty.  
They tell you about history,  
in which there is always a mystery.  
They can make your career,  
which will not lead to any failure.  
They give you a way and never say "go away!"  
They are the oceans of wisdom,  
which will make you one day  
the master of kingdom.  
Knowledge is big, like the sky,  
which always goes high and high.  
So books always lead to a right way,  
and will never take you on a wrong way.  
'Coz they are your true friends.

Questions :

- (i) What do books give us?
(ii) What do books tell us about?
(iii) What does the poet compare knowledge to?
(iv) Why does the poet call books as "true friends"?
(v) Pick out two pairs of rhyming words from the poem.

(OR)

(b) Construct a dialogue with a minimum of 5 exchanges between two friends about the uses of the internet.



Answers

- 1. (b) appreciation
2. (c) successors
3. (c) honesty
4. (b) serious
5. (d) willing
6. (c) impolite
7. (d) unfortunate
8. (d) radiogram
9. (c) earthquakes
10. (b) narrowly
11. (b) influenza
12. (a) blush
13. (b) erected

- 14. (c) Gross Domestic Product
15. (c) perseverance
16. (b) stands for
17. (d) Shepherdesses
18. (b) behind
19. (b) close relationship with good understanding
20. (c) many

Part - II Section - 1

- 21. (a) I refers to the poet, Gabriel Okara.
(b) The poet wants to unlearn fake thing and longs to be true.
22. (a) Weak and shy.
(b) feeds - deeds
23. (a) The poet's faith is that every flower in nature enjoys itself.
(b) Alliteration : faith - flower
24. (a) Macavity is described as a devil in the shape of a cat. He is also referred to as a monster of depravity.
(b) "monster of depravity" means "giant of evil quality/ moral corruption."
25. (a) Those who are dignified and proud are considered rich.
(b) Honour is their asset.
26. (a) Death can we call our own.
(b) Small model refers to the little patch of earth that covers the body after death.

Section - 2

- 27. Jones told praveen that he had bought a new car previous week.
28. English is spoken by us everyday.
29. When the police opened the old building, they saw a snake slithering through the window.
30. In spite of having severe pain in his leg, my brother completed the marathon race.

Part - III Section - 1

- 31. Reference : These lines are from Gabriel Okara's poem "Once Upon a Time."
Context : The poet tells his son that he has learned to say goodbye whereas in a real sense he has to say good-riddance.

**Explanation :** The poet has learned to keep his real character a secret and shows the world a fake character. So, he tells that he has learned to say 'goodbye' wherein he actually has to say 'good riddance', a feeling of relief when an unwanted person leaves.

**32. Reference :** This line is from T.S. Eliot's poem "Macavity-The Mystery Cat".

**Context :** The poet describes the professional qualities of the mystery cat, Macavity.

**Explanation :** The mischievous cat commits various crimes. But he has the ability to create alibi and have spare alibis. He proves that he was away when the crime was committed. Thus, he escapes punishment.

**33. Reference :** These lines are taken from "The Hollow Crown" by William Shakespeare.

**Context :** King Richard II speaks of the might of death to his subjects.

**Explanation :** King Richard recalls how kings get slain in battlefield. The king feels he is also an ordinary mortal deceived by the 'jester's death'. He also needs to taste grief and needs the support of friends during distress.

**Section - 2**

**34.** In the afternoon the grandmother felt relaxed to feed the sparrows with bits of bread. That was the happiest time of the day for grandmother.

**35.** A person remembers easily the telephone numbers, addresses of his friends, appointments for lunch and dinner, the names of actors, actresses, cricketers, footballers and murderers.

**36.** Bryson was writing notes while flying on a plane. He sucked his pen which was leaking and the ink spread to his mouth, gums and teeth were in blue colour which remained for several days. That was the worst accident for him.

**Section - 3**

**37.**

**NOTICE**

**ABC Hr. Sec. School, Chennai  
Quiz Competition**

29<sup>th</sup> June 2023

This is to inform class XI<sup>th</sup> and XII<sup>th</sup> students that Quiz Competition will be held at 10.30 a.m on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (Friday), at Room No.15. All the students have to attend the Quiz Competition. For further details contact the undersigned.

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Secretary.

- 38.** 1. Boil two glasses of water in a vessel.
- 2. Add two tea-spoons of tea leaves and 1/2 a cup of milk.
- 3. Cover the vessel with a lid.
- 4. Filter the tea and pour in cups.
- 5. Add 2 teaspoons of sugar and stir it.
- 6. Serve hot.

**39.**

To : shivkumar@gmail.com
Sub : Thanks note
Dear Uncle, Thank you for the gift. I like the watch very much. I shall use it during my examination. The alarm in it is very useful too. Convey my regards to all at home.
With love,
Suba.

- 40.** (a) Make hay while the sun shines.
- (b) One flower doesn't make a garland.
- (c) A bad workman always blames his tools.

**Part - IV**

**41.** (a) Mary Kom was an Indian Woman Boxer with an Olympic medal. She was a five-time champion of World Amateur Boxing. She owns the record of being the single and the only woman to earn a medal in 6 world championships.  
She won a Bronze Medal in London Olympics in 2012. In the flyweight category of World Rankings - ALBA, she stood at the 4th position. She is Padma Bhushan Awardee and has won uncountable awards till date. She retained her world title in 2006 by defeating Steluta Duta of Romania 22-7 at the Fourth World Championships in New Delhi. She considered

it one of the greatest achievements. It was the most memorable for her because she was able to win at home. She got hat-trick win of world championships. So the media named her the "Queen of Boxing" and "Magnificent Mary."

(OR)

(b) The narrator's friend took him to the Christie's, an auction house in King street. In the sale room Barbizon pictures were auctioned. The narrator had only sixty three pounds in the bank account. He had no securities too. The auction started and a Daubigny picture was put up for sale. Not knowing the seriousness the narrator started bidding. The amount was raised till four thousand guineas. To his amazement, no one bid further and the narrator was caught in a mental tight corner.

His friend deserted him and went away, sensing the danger. Finally the narrator decided to confess his foolishness and wanted to get rid of this critical situation.

42. (a) With the growing use of technology and the fast pace of modern life, people spend less time in nature than ever before. People spend less than 25% of their time outdoors. But Mother Nature can nurture us with sheer pleasure when we sit with her. Nature can do wonders for our mental health.

It boosts energy and happiness levels. We should spend time in a lively, cheerful and refreshing atmosphere. Thus, Nature increases vitality and creativity. People become rejuvenated to function correctly and peacefully because of the gentle, more relaxing stimuli in nature. Stress can increase our risk of mental and physical illnesses but Nature is the easiest way to heal the mind and recharge the soul. Finally, Nature can greatly improve our mental clarity and performance.

(OR)

(b) The poem mentions the good qualities which every individual is born with, like ,

- Devotion - towards what we try to achieve
- Bravery - to avoid defeat and move again
- Courage - no fear to anyone
- Truth - not praising anyone to flatter them
- Aim - to bless and praise the deserving ones
- Commitment - to do what we have promised
- Strength - to promote the one who builds the world
- Pride - the way we live

Dignity - the path we follow with dignity and honour

Uncorrupted - not taking money for anything

Competence - We respect people who are meritorious

Honour - We are born with honour and dignity.

Proud - Proud to be born with these qualities.

The poem also portrays that a person is considered as a king when he lives a way of life that is uncorrupted and truthful. The path we follow throughout of life should be filled with Honour and Dignity. We should take pride in the way we live. As we are born with these qualities, we should make sure we do not lose these good qualities throughout our journey of life.

43. (a)

After twenty years written by O. Henry. Jimmy Wells and Bob were friends right from their childhood. They grew up in the same neighbourhood in New York. Since Bob wanted to make a lot of fortune, he wanted to go to the West. But his friend Jimmy Wells, a conservative one, wished to stay in New York. They parted making a sentimental agreement that they would meet again after twenty years in the same place. Bob, no doubt made fortune, but through wrong means. He became the most wanted criminal in Chicago.

But Jimmy obtained a decent position in the city police department. Bob came to the decided place, travelling a thousand miles, to meet his friend Jimmy Wells. When Jimmy came at the same place, Bob could not recognize Jimmy. But Jimmy identified Bob and he realised that Bob was the most wanted criminal by the Chicago police. However, he did not display his recognition and left the place. Then Jimmy sent another cop to arrest Bob, as he did not have the heart to arrest his old friend.

(OR)

(b) The singing lesson by Katherine Mansfield. Miss Meadows was the music teacher in a school. She got a letter from her fiance, Basil. Basil stated that the marriage between himself and Meadows would be a mistake. So he had no intention of marrying her. She was very much upset and dejected. In the morning, when the Science Mistress greeted Miss Meadows, she started in hatred at the Science Mistress. Mary Beazly was her favourite student. Usually she would greet Miss Meadows with a beautiful yellow Chrysanthemum. She took it up and tuck it into her belt. But that morning, Miss meadows did not take

it, and she made no reply to her greeting. "Thanking you, Mary". She made her students to sing the song "A Lament". It was a sad song. Every note was a sigh, a sob, a groan of great sorrow. Later the HM of the school called Miss Meadows and gave her a telegram from Basil. In the telegram Basil stated, Forget the letter, I was in a mad mood. It meant that he would marry her, She was so happy. So when she returned to the music class she announced to sing a song o happiness.

44. (a) Summary :  
Rough copy

**The Freedom of Thought**

The most important thing is that we should have freedom of thought. This not as easiest it sounds for everyone likes to have this freedom for himself, but is not ready to give it was others when that express different opinions. But if we refuse to let other people hold their opinions on these matters, and specially, if would try to force them to accept our own, progress impossible. Progress would come to an end, because Buddha said, "What a man thinks, he becomes". Therefore, if want to think new thoughts, we must try to studied all sides of the topic that comes before us, and not to content only with what we read in newspapaers or what others say.

Fair Copy :

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(OR)

(b) 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day

17<sup>th</sup> August 2022

SRS Matric. School celebrated the 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. The students cleaned their classrooms and decorated them with colourful balloons and ribbons. Pictures of our great

leaders and freedom fighters were placed on the notice board. The cultural programme at school commenced with everyone singing 'Vande Mataram' followed by flag hoisting by the cheif guest Ms. Avvai Tamlaras, the District Magistrate. Later, students presented patriotic songs and poems. There were speeches by teachers, the principal, and the chief guest. Then the chief guest inaugurated an exhibition on our freedom struggle and our freedom fighters. There was a feeling of pride and patriotism in everyone's heart. The program was concluded with a vote of thanks. At the end, sweets were distributed to the students.

45. (a)

From

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Date : 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2023

To

M/s. South India Sports & Services Private Limited,  
5, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600018.

Respected Sir,

**Sub :** Ordering sports items-Reg.

The sports committee of our school has approved of certain items of sports materials manufactured by you. Please supply the following materials by railway parcel. The invoice may please be sent by a registered post to enable us to take the delivery.

1. Tennis Bats item No. VI – 6 Nos.
2. Hockey Balls Shining item no. VIII – One Dozen
3. Cricket Bats Major item no. I – Six Dozen
4. Leg Guards Superior item No. X – One Pair

Please dispatch the goods at your earliest convenience.

Thank you,

Yours faithfully,

XXX

Secretary, Sports Committee

**Address on the Envelope**

To  
M/s. South India Sports & Services Private Limited,  
5, Anna Salai,  
Chennai - 600018.

(OR)

(b)  
29<sup>th</sup> June 2023  
YYY

My dear friend,

I am very good here hope you are fine. I am very glad to invite you on my elder brother's marriage which will take place on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023, at my residence. My family would be very happy if you are come along with your parents and your younger brother. You will also receive the formal invitation card soon. You are requested to come two or three days before the marriage to help us in preparations. Please convey my best regards to your parents.

Your's lovingly,  
XXX

**Address on the envelope :**

To ZZZ XXX
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46. (a) (i) Linguistics is an interesting field of study.  
(ii) This is one of the photographs we took yesterday.  
(iii) The Government is planning to create an Unified portal for citizens' services.  
(iv) I always prefer to pay in cash.  
(v) Which is the most easiest way to solve this problem?

(OR)

- (b) (i) plain, plane  
(ii) used to  
(iii) against  
(iv) had left

47. (a) (i) Books give us knowledge of honesty and cruelty.  
(ii) Books tell us about life lessons and they teach you about hardships, love and fear.  
(iii) The poet compares knowledge to a sky.  
(iv) The poet calls books as 'true friends' because they lead you in a good way.  
(v) history - mystery ; career - failure

(OR)

- (b)  
Sam : Hey Ram, What's up? You were not available online for the past few days.  
Ram : I had some network issue. So, I couldn't connect you.  
Sam : Is that cleared now?  
Ram : Yes, but I really felt very difficult without an internet facility.  
Sam : You are right. The internet has become a prime part of our modern lifestyle.  
Ram : In fact, mobile and internet are used widely for its quick communication transfer.  
Sam : Especially we use the internet for downloading various data, and other social networking sites make us get new friends.  
Ram : Right. The internet has made our life easy and comfortable.  
Sam : Though we are getting immense benefits from it, we should use it with care to avoid its demerits.

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