

KOMARASAMY GOUNDER MAT.HR.SEC.SCHOOL – KURUMANDUR

PRE – QUARTERLY EXAM – SEP – 2023

X – STANDARD

ENGLISH

TIME : 3 HOURS

MARKS : 100

PART – A

Note : i) Answer all the questions.

14 x 1 = 14

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

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicized words.

1. Navika sagar parikrama was a project undertake in *consonance* with the national policy.

- a) Connection b) Comparison c) Arrangement d) Agreement

2. Aditya and the narrator reached a point where the road *bifurcated*.

- a) Restrained b) Combined c) Divided d) Conditioned

3. The *attic* has always been favourite with children.

- a) Loft b) Apartment c) Lerrace d) Strong room

Choose the appropriate Antonym for the italicized words.

4. "Nothing" he said *gruffly*.

- a) Sadly b) Happily c) Angrily d) Partly

5. The crops were *reluctant* to leave without getting their hand.

- a) Eager b) Unwilling c) Opposed d) Averse

6. He said in an *unperturbed* manner.

- a) Disturbed b) Blessed c) Ignored d) Cursed

7. Choose the correct plural form of *alga* from the following.

- a) algas b) algae c) algi d) algum

8. Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the words *fashion*.

- a) ly b) able c) fashion d) ed

9. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation *SIM*.

- a) subscriber Information Module b) Student Identification Module
c) Subscriber Identification Module d) School Identification Module

10. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below:

The Sailors soon food and water.

- a) got along with b) stood up for c) ran out of d) looked up to

11. Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word *patrol* to form a compound word.

- a) group b) girl c) boy d) man

12. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below :

May I take Zigzagschool , papa ?

- a) Over b) in to c) to d) into

13. Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below.

If you had worked hard , you..... .

- a) can pass b) would pass c) would have passed d) will pass

14. Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.

..... he is ninety years old , he is in the pink of health.

- a) when b) even though c) since d) yet

PART - II (10 X 2 = 20)

Section - I

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two:

3 x 2 = 6

15. What did Nagen uncle tell about Sanyal's past life ?
 16. What prompted the seagull to fly finally ?
 17. What does INSV stand for ?
 18. Who used the Zither and how ?

Section - II

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any Three of the following.

3 x 2 = 6

19. *Let me but live my life from year to year*

With forward face and unreluctant soul

- a) Whom does the word "me" refer to ?
 b) What kind of life does the poet want to lead ?

20. *Not a crumb to be found*

On the snow - covered ground.

- a) What couldn't be found on the ground ?
 b) Why was the ground covered with snow ?

21. *She 's a lioness : don't mess with her.*

She'll not spare you if you're a prankster.

- a) How is a woman described here ? b) Who is a prankster ?

22. *Let us learn to walk with a smile and a song*

No matter if things do sometimes go wrong.

- a) What does the poet want everyone to learn ?
 b) What should we do when things go wrong ?

Section - III (Grammar)

Answer any three of the following :

3 x 2 = 6

24. Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice :

A few days ago , someone stole Raja's motorbike .

25. Rewrite using indirect speech :

"Where are we going , sir ? " asked the aero - coachman.

26. Punctuate the following .

Shall I laugh or cry adithya has given me money.

27. Transform the following sentence into a simple sentence.

While I was walking along the street , I saw a dead Cobra.

28. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaning full sentences.

a) allergic / dogs / Ram / though / is / to of / six / she / them / has

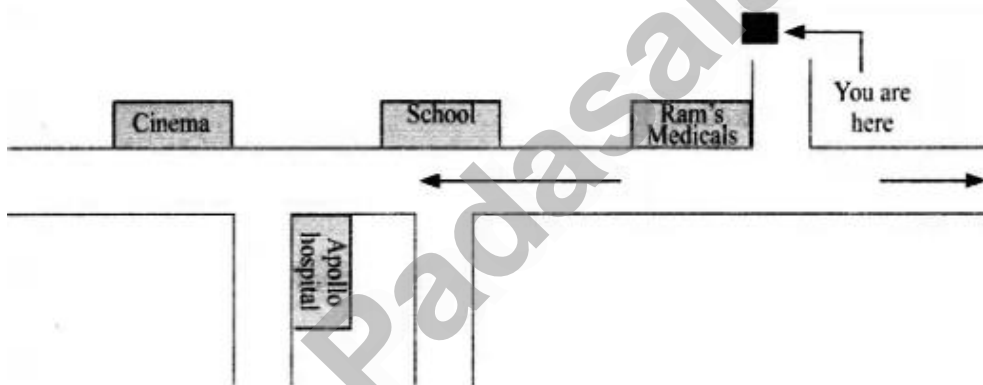
b) followed / suggestion / my / they.

Section - IV

29. Answer the following questions :

1 x 2 = 2

A man approaches you to direct him to Apollo Hospital . Here you find the road map. Write three instructions by way of helping him.



PART - III (10 x 5 = 50)

(Section - 1) Prose

Answer any two of the following in a paragraph.

2 x 5 = 10

30. What are the factors responsible for the all - Woman Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition ?

31. " Man does change with time " - What were the various changes that came about in Aditya ?

32. Narrate the extensive search operation made by the policeman in the house.

Section - II (Poetry)

Answer any two of the following :

2 x 5 = 10

33. What qualities have made women powerful ?

34. Write a paragraph on " The Grumble family " and their attitude towards other folks.

35. Read the following stanza and answer the question given below :

A silly young cricket accustomed to sing
 Through the warm , sunny months of gay summer and spring
 Began to complain when he found that at home ,
 His cupboard was empty and winter was come.

- i) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.
- ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
- iii) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza.
- iv) Pick out the alliterating words.

Section - III (Supplementary)

1 x 5 = 5

Answer any one of the following :

36. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.

- i) He took care of the orderliness in the clinic.
- ii) Dr. Krishnan was surprised of the sudden change in zigzag.
- iii) Zigzag was of a great trouble in the house.
- iv) Dr. Krishnan took him to the clinic.
- v) Gone was zigzag's bored and grumpy expression.

37. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Many years ago , China was in the middle of the great war . The Emperor said that one man from each Chinese family must leave his family to join the army . Mulan , a teenage girl who lived in a faraway village of China , heard the news when she was outside , washing clothes. Mulan ran into the house . Her father was sitting in a chair , carving a piece of wood. "Father!" she said "Did you hear what the Emperor says each family must do ?".

- a) Which country was in the of the war ?
- b) What was the decree of the Emperor ?
- c) Who was Mulan?
- d) What was she doing ?
- e) Why did she ran into the house ?

Section - IV

Answer any four of the following :

4 x 5 = 20

38. Prepare an advertisement using the hints given below.

Fresh fruits - Vegetables from farms - healthy - juicy - tasty - low price - care for health - fruits and vegetables - 59, Mint street, Trichy.

39. Write a letter to the Headmistress of your school requesting for a Bonafide certificate.

40. You are the school monitor of Kg matriculation school , Erode. Your school principal has requested you to inform the students about a trip to Ooty for 2 days. Prepare a notice

giving the details such as date of journey , mode of transportation , amount , dress code etc.,

42. Look at the following picture and express your view on it in a paragraph of five sentences.



43. Make notice or write a summary of the following passage :

The epidemic of heart attacks has been attaining alarming proportion in recent times causing grave concern specially to the medical fraternity. To contain and control the increasing death and disability from heart attacks and to focus on public awareness and their involvement at global level, the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the World Heart Federation observed September 24th as the World Heart Day. What causes heart attacks? Dr H.S. Wasir, Chief Cardiologist and Medical Director, Batra Hospital and Medical Research Centre lists four main habits which adversely affect the heart health. These are lack of physical exercise, wrong eating habits, cigarette smoking and excessive alcohol consumption, and stressful lifestyle.

The importance of physical exercise in minimising the incidence of heart attacks cannot be underestimated. "Physical exercise," says Dr. Wasir, "plays a major role in achieving a long and healthy life in general and prevention of heart attacks in particular." There are several studies showing that physically active people have higher longevity than those sedentary or physically inactive.

44. Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences :

- a) She doesn't like Coffee , isn't it ?
- b) Earth revolve around the sun.
- c) I am born on 1977.
- d) A lot of questions has been omitted.
- e) As we were later , so we apologised.

Section - IV (Memoriter - Compulsory)

45. Quote from memory :

1 x 5 = 5

From : A woman is beauty

To :to see in spring.

Part - IV

46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hint. 1 x 8 = 8

Without hard work - no knowledge - all things - difficult initially - climbing mountains - get arduous training live in camps - minimum food - more hardships - risking life - lesson - no achievement without self - sacrifice - adequate - preparation - high achievers - overcome more difficulties.

Or

Prospero - Duke of Mulan - brother Antonio - Usurped - Magic power - Wreck his enmities - wanted Miranda - married to Ferdinand - forgave all - noble man.

Part - V (General - comprehension)

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

Speech is a great blessing but it can also be great curse, for while it helps us to make our intentions and desires known to others, it can also, if we use it carelessly, make our attitude completely misunderstood. A slip of the tongue, the use of an unusual word, or of an ambiguous word, may create an enemy where we had hoped to win a friend. Again different classes of people use different words, and the ordinary speech of an educated man may create the impression to an uneducated listener that he was showing off with his skill: Unwittingly we may use a word which bears a different meaning to our listener from what it does to a man of his own class. Thus speech is not a gift to use lightly without thought, but one which demands careful handling: Only a fool would express himself alike to all kinds and conditions of people and situations.

Questions:

- (a) In what way is speech a blessing to mankind?
- (b) Describe how words could make an enemy out of someone you would like to be a friend?
- (c) Why is an educated man's speech considered boastful by an uneducated listener?
- (d) How should speech be used?

Or

b) Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

*A bird , came down the walk
He did not know I saw
He bit an angle worm in halves
And ate the fellow raw
And then , he drank a Dew
From a convenient Grass -*

*And then hopped sidewise to the wall
To let a Beetle pass -
He glanced with rapid eye.
That looked like frightened Beads , I thought
He stirred his velvet head.*

- i) What did the poet see ?
- ii) How did the bird eat the worm ?
- iii) Did the bird drink water ? How ?
- iv) What are the eyes compared to ?

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