

THENI, TIRUVALLUR, THIRUVARUR, KANCHIPURAM, CUDDALORE DISTRICT
QUARTERLY EXAM - SEP 2023

BE CONFIDENT ENGLISH GUIDE, RAMANATHAPURAM CELL : 9597292925

COMMON QUARTERLY EXAMINATION - 2023

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Standard XII

Reg.No.

ENGLISH

Time : 3.00 hrs

Part - I

Marks : 90

Answer all questions.

20 x 1 = 20

Choose the most appropriate synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences from the options.

- then as trade slackened we went over.
 a) increased b) reduced c) started d) stopped
- But atleast four others are acutely controversial.
 a) contracted b) agreeble c) disputable d) harmful
- In those days they did not have sophisticated surgery.
 a) strong b) weak c) serious d) advanced

Choose the most appropriate antonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences from the options.

- From here the ridge narrowed to a knife edge.
 a) broadened b) neared c) bettered d) shortened
- I experienced not only agony
 a) sadness b) ecstasy c) gloominess d) pain
- China tea has virtues which are not to be despised nowadays.
 a) hated b) liked c) disliked d) vexed

Fill in the blank with the suitable homophone.

- Turtles should be _____ in healthy environment. (bread / bred)
- Form a new word by choosing the correct prefix to the word tour.
 a) non b) de c) co d) mis
- Form a new word by choosing the correct suffix to the word regular.
 a) _ance b) _able c) _ity d) _ful
- I was angry that I _____ (make) such a mistake.

(use suitable tense form of the verb given in bracket)

- I _____ like to have a cup of coffee. (use suitable modal)
- My dad _____ play hockey when he was in college. (use a suitable quasi / semi modal)

Fill in the blank with the suitable preposition.

- There was a skirmish _____ my brother and sister.
 a) between b) among c) in d) on
- _____ my father my mother will go for shopping. (use suitable phrasal preposition)
- This is _____ (how / what) it must be done. (use correct linker)
- Vani is not only a singer _____ a good dancer.

(fill up with a part of correlative conjunction)

- Choose the correct combination for the compound word showroom from the options.
 a) verb + noun b) adj + noun c) adverb + noun d) noun + verb
- Choose the correct question tag and fill up.
 I am always the winner, _____?
 a) am not I? b) aren't I? c) don't I? d) am I?

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c) Answer any three of the following.

37. Complete the proverbs choosing the right word from the options.

- a) Burnt child _____ fire.
 i) likes ii) dreads iii) hates
- b) Doubt is the key to _____.
 i) knowledge ii) invention iii) discovery
- c) An idle man's brain is the _____ workshop.
 i) God's b) devil's c) friend's

38. Rearrange the following jumbled sentences correctly.

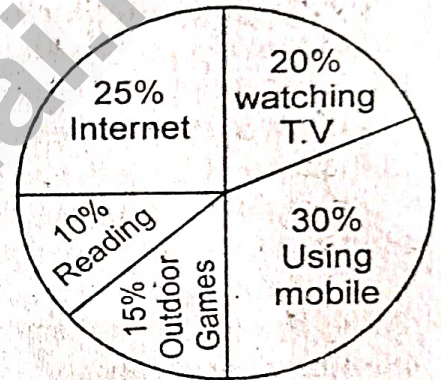
- a) always / his tools / work man / a bad / blames
 b) louder / words / actions / speak / than
 c) his cigar / In the doorway / the man / a match / and / lit / struck

39. Describe the process of making tea.

40. Study the pie chart and answer the following.

Residents' choice of entertainment in an apartment.

- a) What is the most sought entertainment by the residents?
 b) Name the activity preferred by the least number of residents
 c) Which activity is chosen by half the number of residents who use mobile phones



Part - IV

Answer all choosing one from each.

7 x 5 = 35

41. a) Summarise the eleven golden rules of making a nice cup of tea according to Orwell.

(OR)

b) How did the two boys with disability impress the author in the hospital? Answer in about 150 words.

42. a) How was the strong castle conquered by the enemies? Answer in about 150 words.

(OR)

b) Answer in a paragraph the seven stages of man according to the poet.

43. Develop the following hints into two or three small paragraphs of about 150 words.

a) Aksionov live with wife and children - decide to make a trip to fair - wife warns him - ignores her cautioning - local police arrest - charge of murder - petition of mercy turn down - vexed - sent to work in mines of Siberia - becomes old - gain good name - buys 'The Lives of Saints' - one day new prisoners - Makar is one - Makar's escape attempt - not betrayed - Makar repents - confesses - but Aksionov dies - before release order.

(OR)

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- b) Baldwin an honest man since childhood - Secretary of a bank - Struggles economically - Gresham his boss and friend a rich man - Gresham arrested - misappropriation of funds in bank Baldwin - only witness against him - Gresham pressurised Baldwin - does not remember - Gresham offered a huge bribe - one hundred thousand dollars - Baldwin refused - Family members pestered - Baldwin shocked - ashamed - Gresham understood his friend - Gresham admitted his fault - Gresham told Marshal the truth - complimented his friend - Baldwin offered job by Marshall - honesty rewarded.

44. a) **Make notes (OR) b) Summarise the following.**

Language are of different kinds - spoken language, sign language, code language, body language, Braille or language of the blind, and the more recent ones being the machine language and the computer language. Many languages have a long history. The Greeks, the Romans, the Egyptians, the Chinese and the Indians are among those, whose languages are centuries old. The number of languages used in verbal communication is extremely large. It is said that there are as many as 3500 identified languages throughout the world. Although this is true of the spoken languages, The number of written languages, is much lower, with one estimate placing it at more than 500. Within a language there are sub-languages that are called dialects. A dialect is a form of speech peculiar to a district, class or people. It is a subordinate variety of a language with distinguished vocabulary, pronunciation or idioms.

45. a) Write a letter to your friend asking him to join your birthday party. (OR)
 b) Write a letter to a Sports Company order for sports materials being the sports captain.
46. **Read the following, spot the error and rewrite each sentence correctly.**
 a) Mr.Kamaraj was an unique leader of the people.
 b) We have been awaiting for your sanction.
 c) One of these car is defective.
 d) Though she is rich but she is humble.
 e) I have met him last night. (OR)

Identify each of the following sentences with the fields given below.

{Commerce, Sports, Literature, Computer, Politics}

- i) In democracy We have the right to criticise anyone.
 ii) The price of gold is soaring high.
 iii) The passenger sat down to check his e-mails.
 iv) It was a thrilling neck and neck finish.
 v) John Milton wrote both Paradise Lost and Paradise regained.
47. a) Write a General paragraph in about 150 words about **Rain water harvesting**. (OR)

b) **Do as directed :**

- i) Explain the _____ cut your _____ according to your cloth.
 (use coat and quote appropriately)
- ii) You _____ wear your ID card. (use quasi modal)
- iii) The guests arrived when we _____ (watch) the T.V.
- iv) _____ (Most of / Many of) the water overflowed from the tank.
 (use appropriate determiner)

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XII ENGLISH – QUARTERLY EXAM – SEP 2023

DATE : 19.09.23 ENGLISH – SCORING KEY

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) reduced	3 Marks
02	(c) disputable	
03	(d) advanced	
	Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.	
04	(a) broadened	3 Marks
05	(b) ecstasy	
06	(b) liked	
07	bred	1 Mark
08	(b) de	1 Mark
09	(c) ity	1 Mark
10	had made	1 Mark
11	would	1 Mark
12	used to	1 Mark
13	(a) between	1 Mark
14	along with / in the absence of / together with / Both of / In front of (Any related phrase / preposition)	1 Mark
15	how	1 Mark
16	but also	1 Mark
17	(a) verb + noun	1 Mark
18	(b) aren't I	1 Mark
19	(b) view with suspicion	1 Mark
20	(c) put out	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) soldiers (b) at ease / stress free and relaxed / relaxed	1 Mark 1 Mark
22	(a) casuarina tree (b) personification / metaphor	1 Mark 1 Mark
23	(a) short lived glory (b) metaphor	1 Mark 1 Mark
24	(a) Telemachus (b) It is a symbol of kingly power	1 Mark 1 Mark
25	(a) against human greed (b) enemy sold them for gold	1 Mark 1 Mark
26	(a) casuarina tree (b) tree is so strong	1 Mark 1 Mark
SECTION - 2		
	Answer any three questions.	3 x 2 = 6
27	Mathu told Vijay that they would go shopping the next day.	2 Marks
28	By whom was she taught Hindi?	2 Marks
29	Were I a bird, I would fly.	2 Marks
30	As / Since / Because he worked hard, he came first in class.	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	1 Mark
	Name of the poet	1 Mark
	Explanation	1 Mark
31	Poem : Ulysses Poet : Alfred Lord Tennyson	
32	Poem : All the world's a stage Poet : William Shakespeare	
33	Poem : The castle Poet : Edwin Muir	

SECTION - 2		
	Answer any two of the following in not more than 30 words.	2 x 3 = 6
34	Tuberculosis in the spine	3 Marks
35	The tea should be made in small quantities in a tea pot.	3 Marks
36	Hillary found two oxygen cylinders in a tiny hollow.	3 Marks

SECTION - 3		
	Answer any three of the following.	3 x 3 = 9
37	Complete the proverbs. a) dreads b) knowledge c) devil's	3 Marks
38	Rearrange the jumbled sentences correctly. a) A bad work man always blames his tools. b) Actions speak louder than words. c) The man in the doorway struck a match and lit his cigar.	3 Marks
39	Describe the process of making tea.	3 Marks
40	PIE CHART. a) mobile phones b) reading c) outdoor games	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
42 (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
43 (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

44 (a)	<p>Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.</p> <p>Summarising – Format Rough copy / Rough Draft / First copy / First Draft Fair copy / Fair Draft / Final copy / Final Draft Suitable title (An exceptional summary can be awarded Maximum marks. The number of words in the Fair Draft need not be taken into account)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(or)</p> <p>(b) Note making : Format Title Sub-titles Key points under each sub-titles</p>	<p>1 mark 3 Marks 1 Mark</p> <p>1 Mark 2 Marks 2 Marks</p>
45 (a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal letter 	<p>5 marks</p>
(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From • To • Salutation • Subject • Body of the letter • Subscription • Superscription / Address on the envelope 	<p>1/2 mark 1/2 mark 1/2 mark 1/2 mark 1/2 mark 2 marks 1/2 mark</p>

46	<p>i) Spot the errors and correct them.</p> <p>a) Mr.Kamaraj was a unique leader of the people.</p> <p>b) We have been awaiting your sanction.</p> <p>c) One of these cars is defective.</p> <p>d) Though she is rich, she is humble / She is rich but she is humble.</p> <p>e) I met him last night.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(or)</p> <p>ii) a) politics b) commerce c) computer d) sports e) literature</p>	<p>1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark</p> <p>1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 mark</p>
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47.	Paragraph – RAIN WATER HARVESTING	5 marks
a)		
b)	Do as directed. i) quote, coat ii) ought to iii) were watching iv) most of	2 Marks 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 mark

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