

STD XI

ENGLISH

MARK: 90

RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT

Part I

Answer all the questions:

20

I. Choose the correct synonyms from the underlined word:

1. The role of the University today is not cloistered.  
a. Free                      b. open                      c. unsecluded                      d. hidden
2. After a few hours of mourning, we left.  
a. Lamenting                      b. cheer                      c. joy                      d. praising
3. The greatest disadvantage for me was my loss of appetite.  
a. Thirsty                      b. hunger                      c. filling                      d. aversion

II. Choose the correct antonyms from the under lined word:

4. She said her mourning prayer in a monotonous sing song  
a. Versatile                      b. unchanging                      c. boring                      d. singing
5. I pulled myself together sufficiently to hand my card.  
a. Enough                      b. insufficiently                      c. abundant                      d. fully
6. Wisdom and service have got a prominent place.  
a. Noticeable                      b. depressed                      c. remarkable                      d. obvious

III. Choose the correct answer:

7. Choose the correct combination for the compound word "Spinning wheel".  
a. Noun + verb                      b. noun + noun                      c. gerund + noun                      d. verb + verb
8. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix "class".  
a. Ment                      b. mate                      c. ful                      d. ish
9. Choose the trisyllabic word:  
a. Queue                      b. particular                      c. banana                      d. vanquish
10. Choose the correct expansion for the abbreviation "CPU".  
a. Central Processing Unit                      b. Central Power Unit  
c. Central Polo Unit                      d. Cultural Podium Unit
11. Choose the clipped word for the word "Examination".  
a. Examin                      b. Exam                      c. Examiner                      d. Examine
12. Choose the American word for the British word "druggist".  
a. dentist                      b. chemist                      c. neurologist                      d. scientist

13. Choose the suitable modal to complete the sentence:

\_\_\_\_\_ I come in?

- a. Would                      b. might                      c. may                      d. could

14. Choose the correct definition from the following word "Bibliomania".

- a. love for travelling                      b. love for reading  
c. love for writing                      d. love for The Bible

15. Replace the underlined word with suitable phrasal verb:

You continue your work without break.

- a. carry out                      b. carry in                      c. carry on                      d. carry by

16. Choose the correct plural form of "child"

- a. childs                      b. children                      c. childrens                      d. childrenes

17. Choose the correct tense form from the options given:

The people of India \_\_\_\_\_ (be) warm-hearted and hospitable.

- a. is                      b. was                      c. been                      d. are

18. Choose the suitable preposition from the options given:

Subash is the President \_\_\_\_\_ our class.

- a. into                      b. of                      c. on                      d. from

19. Choose the suitable article:

The computer is \_\_\_\_\_ electronic extentionof the human brain.

- a. the                      b. an                      c. a                      d. none

20. Choose the appropriate meaning for the foreign word:

I attended the viva voce yesterday.

- a. A spoken examination                      b. A written examination  
c. An aural examination                      d. A summarizing examination

## SECTION B

### PART-I

II. Answer any seven of the following:

A) Read the set of poetic lines and answer any four of the following:

4x2=8

21. "For he's a fiend in feline shape, a monster of depravity"

- a) Explain the phrase "Monster of depravity".      b) Pick out the alliterated words.

22. "Defeat we repel, courage our fort".

- a) How do we react to defeat?                      b) Which is considered as our stronghold?

23. If this belief from heaven be sent, If such be Nature's holy plan".

- a) What does "heaven" refer to?      b) Why does the poet call it "holy"?

24. "when officialdom demands, Is there a doctor in the stands?"

- a) why are the doctors called?                      b) Why does the poet make such an observation?

25. "cocktail face, with all their conforming smiles like a fixed portrait".

- a) Mention the poetic device.                      b) What is "Cocktail face"?

26. "Macauvity's a mystery cat; he's called the hidden paw"

- a) Does the poet talk about real cat?                      b) Why is he called hidden paw?

## PART-II

B ) Do as directed: ( Any three)

3x2=6

27. Change into indirect speech:

Jeevan said to his teacher, " I cannot understand this lesson. Will you teach it to me again?"

28. Combine into a single sentence using relative pronoun:

Kapil is a teacher. He teaches French.

29. Change into passive voice of the following sentence:

The drunkards created nuisance during the marriage party.

30. He burnt his midnight oil. Yet, he did not clear his CA examination with distinction.

( Change into a complex sentence)

## SECTION C

III. Answer any seven of the following:

## PART – I

A) Explain any two of the following with reference to the context:

2x3=6

31. His power of levitation would make a fakir state.

32. I have learnt to wear many faces like dresses"

33. Have I not reason to lament what Man has made of Man?

## PART – II

B) Answer any two of the following briefly:

2x3=6

34. Why did the grandmother accompany the author to school?

35. Narrate the plight of the baby on its day out.

36. What is the difference between a physical and mental tight corner?

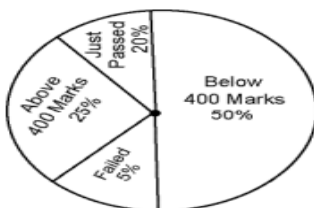
## PART – III

Answer any three of the following questions :

3 × 3 = 9

37. Extend the conversation with three exchanges. (Student with Librarian)

38. Study the pie - chart and answer the questions given below:



## Questions

- How many students have just passed?
- How many have scored 400 and above?
- How many have failed?

39. Describing Process : To make a cup of tea.

40. You are Raghav. Sports Secretary of your school. Order sports goods for your school by email. order@sportsgoods.com.

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## SECTION – D

IV. Answer the following:

7x5=35

41. Answer in a paragraph on any one of the following:

a ) Explain how the narrator got out of the tight corner that he was in.

b ) Describe the village and urban life of the author's grandmother.

42. Answer in a paragraph on any one of the following:

a ) In what way is every hillock similar to Everest? Discuss.

b ) Do you think the poet of Nature wants to say that man is unhappy because he has lost his link with nature and forgotten how to enjoy nature or because man is cruel to other men?

43. Write a paragraph on any one by developing the following hints:

a ) Leacock- photographer- professional- sit before the camera- shaking his head- face quite wrong- animation- visited the studio- see proof- photograph- no resembled- angry- worthless bauble.

b ) number of patients- dentist clinic—tensed- arrival of dentist- Joe- nurse- pair of pliers- hammer- hacksaw- patients afraid- vacates- joe comes out- key missing- open the box.

44. Write a summary (or) Make notes of the following passage.

Clean water supply is essential for good health and cleanliness in the home. Often, the only source of drinking water is polluted. More than seventy percent of rural households have no safe drinking water. Their supplies are often carried over some distance from a river, pond or well or a community pump or tap. Carrying water takes time and if necessary, it is rationed carefully.

Several diseases are spread by polluted water. These include diarrhoea, cholera and typhoid. Families using water from uncovered ponds or wells are likely to suffer more frequently from all these infections than those whose water comes from protected sides. An adequate supply of water is also needed for personal cleanliness and general hygiene in the home. Health workers should encourage the provision of good household water supplies as much as possible.

If there is no tap, the main water container in the house must be kept clean, covered and free from debris. Overnight storage in the earthenware vessels reduces the number of bacteria in the water. Nevertheless, it is important that any water given to infants is first boiled. After boiling, it should be left covered in the same container until it is cool enough to drink.

45. Read the following advertisement and respond to it with a resume / bio-data / CV considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified.

[Write XXXXX for your name and YYYY for your address]

**Tamilnadu Food Processers**

requires

Sales Officers for its Zonal Offices in Tamil Nadu and Kerala

The candidate should be a graduate and have experience in promoting consumer products. Candidates with the topographic knowledge of Chennai, Coimbatore and Trivandrum only need apply.

Apply to Post Box 102,  
The Hindu, Chennai- 600 002

(or)

Write an essay on the following topic - Advantages of Science

Kindly send me your answer keys to us - padasalai.net@gmail.com

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46. (A) Read the following sentences. Spot the errors and correct them:

- a. The dog jumped in the well.
- b. I bought a blue colour shirt and a tie.
- c. He said that he can drive a car.
- d. Earth revolves around the sun.
- e. The news are very thrilling.

(OR)

(B) Fill in the blanks as instructed:

- a. I \_\_\_\_\_ ( help ) you, if I had time. ( Use a suitable tense form)
- b. How \_\_\_\_\_ you ask me such a question? ( Use a semi modal verb)
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ his warning, he did mistakes. ( Use a phrase)
- d. The \_\_\_\_\_ little girl did not realize hw her hair got so \_\_\_\_\_.

(Use the correct words from the options given: naughty\ knotty)

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

- a. All the IX std students joined the Eco club in our school.
- b. The sky watchers' club has arranged for a trip to Kavalur Observatory.
- c. The Hovercraft travels fast both on land and water.
- d. The Government Pleader wanted the judge to punish the erring institutes.
- e. The MLA spoke against inflation in the Legislative Assembly  
[Sports, Astronomy, Transport, Politics, Environment]

(or)

Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below :

Most of the trees and plants shed their leaves during autumn and new leaves sprout on them during spring. After the defoliation they appear quite barren. The trees which shed leaves every year are called 'deciduous trees'. However, there are other trees which do not shed all their leaves at one time, and thus always appear green. Such trees are called evergreen trees. Do you know why this happens so? In fact, all the trees shed leaves. But the leaves of the trees which undergo defoliation every year live only for one year. On the other hand leaves of the evergreen trees last for two to three years. As soon as a leaf withers it falls down. Among the well-known evergreen trees are pines and firs. Besides these, there are many other trees which always remain green. The Italian Cypress found in Europe is one such tree. The Olive plant also comes under the category of evergreen plants. Its oil is very useful for us. The Magnolia plants are used for decoration because their white flowers are very beautiful and do not have defoliation. Perfumes are extracted from the evergreen plants of the Rosemary. The Juniper plants, having short and bitter leaves which are found in North Britain, are famous for their greenness. In addition to these, other evergreen plants and trees are myrtle of Britain, oleander of North Africa, Oak tree, Ivy creeper, Orange tree and tall Palm tree. The tea plant also comes under the category of the evergreen plants.

Questions:

- i. When do trees shed their leaves?
- ii. What do you mean by defoliation?
- iii. Name examples of some evergreen trees?
- iv. How are Magnolia plants useful to us?
- v. What is unique about Juniper plants?

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**(RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT)****+1 ENGLISH – HALF YEARLY EXAM – DEC 2023****HIGHER SECONDARY (FIRST YEAR)****(NEW SYLLABUS)****DATE : 14.12.2023 ENGLISH – SCORING KEY****ANSWERS WRITTEN ONLY IN BLACK OR BLUE SHOULD BE EVALUATED**

| <b>PART – I</b> |   |                    |
|-----------------|---|--------------------|
| <b>1.</b>       | <b>Answer all the questions:</b>  | <b>20 x 1 = 20</b> |
|                 | <b>Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.</b> |                    |
| <b>01</b>       | <b>(d) hidden</b>   | <b>3 Marks</b>     |
| <b>02</b>       | <b>(a) lamenting</b>  |                    |
| <b>03</b>       | <b>(b) hunger</b>   |                    |
|                 | <b>Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.</b> |                    |
| <b>04</b>       | <b>(a) versatile</b>  | <b>3 Marks</b>     |
| <b>05</b>       | <b>(b) insufficiently</b>   |                    |
| <b>06</b>       | <b>(b) depressed</b>  |                    |
| <b>07</b>       | <b>(c) Gerund + Noun</b>  | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>08</b>       | <b>(b) mate</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>09</b>       | <b>(c) banana</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>10</b>       | <b>(a) Central Processing Unit</b>  | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>11</b>       | <b>(b) exam</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>12</b>       | <b>(b) chemist</b>  | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>13</b>       | <b>(c) may</b>  | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>14</b>       | <b>(b) love for reading</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>15</b>       | <b>(c) carry on</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>16</b>       | <b>(b) children</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>17</b>       | <b>(d) are</b>  | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>18</b>       | <b>(b) of</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>19</b>       | <b>(b) an</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>      |
| <b>20</b>       | <b>(a) a spoken examination</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>      |

| <b>PART – II</b>   |   |                                |
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| <b>SECTION – 1</b> |   |                                |
|                    | <b>Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following.</b>                                    | <b>4 x 2 = 8</b>               |
| 21                 | (a) giant of evil quality / moral corruption<br>(b) fiend, feline   | <b>1 Mark</b><br><b>1 Mark</b> |
| 22                 | (a) hate / We should fight against defeat and keep it away from us<br>(b) courage                                       | <b>1 Mark</b><br><b>1 Mark</b> |
| 23                 | (a) God, the creature of nature / God<br>(b) God's plan / work of God from heaven                                       | <b>1 Mark</b><br><b>1 Mark</b> |
| 24                 | (a) when players get injured / wounded<br>(b) because injured must be treated immediately                               | <b>1 Mark</b><br><b>1 Mark</b> |
| 25                 | (a) simile<br>(b) face showing mixed emotions / feelings  | <b>1 Mark</b><br><b>1 Mark</b> |
| 26                 | (a) No<br>(b) The cat involves in criminal activities unseen by anyone.   | <b>1 Mark</b><br><b>1 Mark</b> |
| <b>SECTION – 2</b> |   |                                |
|                    | <b>Answer any three questions.</b>  | <b>3 x 2 = 6</b>               |
| 27                 | Jeevan told his teacher that he could not understand that lesson and asked if he / she would teach it to him again.     | <b>2 Marks</b>                 |
| 28                 | Kapil is a teacher <b>who</b> teaches French. / Kapil <b>who</b> is a teacher, teaches French.                          | <b>2 Marks</b>                 |
| 29                 | Nuisance <b>was created</b> by the drunkards during the marriage party.   | <b>2 Marks</b>                 |
| 30                 | <b>Though / Although / Even though</b> he burnt his midnight oil, he did not clear his CA examination with distinction. | <b>2 Marks</b>                 |
| <b>PART – III</b>  |   |                                |
| <b>Section – 1</b> |   |                                |
| (i)                | <b>Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.</b>  | <b>2 x 3 = 6</b>               |
|                    | <b>Name of the poem</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>                  |
|                    | <b>Name of the poet</b>   | <b>1 Mark</b>                  |
|                    | <b>Explanation</b>  | <b>1 Mark</b>                  |
| 31                 | Poem : Macavity – The mystery cat<br>Poet : T.S.Eliot   |                                |
| 32                 | Poem : Once upon a time<br>Poet : Gabriel Okara   |                                |
| 33                 | Poem : Lines written in early spring<br>Poet : William Wordsworth   |                                |

| <b>SECTION - 2</b>            |  |   |
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|                               | <b>Answer any two of the following in not more than 30 words.</b>  | <b>2 x 3 = 6</b>  |
| <b>34</b>                     | <b>The school was attached to the temple.</b>  | <b>3 Marks</b>  |
| <b>35</b>                     | <b>Lynd narrates a funny story of a father who takes his baby out in a pram one fine morning. While he was crossing a pub, he was tempted to have glass of beer. He left the pram outside the pub in the street. He went into the pub. After a few minutes his wife came there for shopping. She was horrified to see her baby sleeping in the pram. She was very angry and so she decided to teach her husband a lesson. So she wheeled away the pram. She expected that her husband would come trembling and would tell that their baby had been stolen. But, on the contrary, her husband came at the lunch time cheerfully. He had completely forgotten about the child.</b> | <b>3 Marks</b>  |
| <b>36</b>                     | <b>The mental tight corner is too much to bear than the physical tight corner. It may cause mental stress.</b>   | <b>3 Marks</b>  |
| <b>SECTION - 3</b>            |  |   |
|                               | <b>Answer any three of the following.</b>  | <b>3 x 3 = 9</b>  |
| <b>37</b>                     | <b>Dialogue writing. ( student and librarian)</b>  | <b>3 Marks</b>  |
| <b>38</b>                     | <b>Pie chart</b><br>a) 20%      b) 25%      c) 5%  | <b>3 Marks</b>  |
| <b>39</b>                     | <b>Describe the process of preparing a cup of tea.</b>   | <b>3 Marks</b>  |
| <b>40</b>                     | <b>E-mail writing. Ordering sports goods</b>   | <b>3 Marks</b>  |
| <b>PART - IV</b>              |  |   |
|                               | <b>Answer the following:</b>   | <b>7 x 5 = 35</b>   |
| <b>41</b><br>(a)<br>or<br>(b) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Content - (60%), Language, style and organisation (40%)</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Exceptionally good paragraph</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Correct answer with all points with no mistakes</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Correct answer with a few mistakes</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Answer with a few points</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Answer with a few points and many mistakes</b></li> </ul>   | <b>5 Marks</b><br><b>4 Marks</b><br><b>3 Marks</b><br><br><b>2 Marks</b><br><b>1 Mark</b> |



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|------------------------|--|---|
| 42<br>(a)<br>or<br>(b) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Content - (60%), Language, style and organisation (40%)</li><li>➤ Exceptionally good paragraph</li><li>➤ Correct answer with all points with no mistakes</li><li>➤ Correct answer with a few mistakes</li><li>➤ Answer with a few points</li><li>➤ Answer with a few points and many mistakes</li></ul>        | 5 Marks<br>4 Marks<br><br>3 Marks<br>2 Marks<br>1 Mark                          |
| 43<br>(a)<br>or<br>(b) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Content - (60%), Language, style and organisation (40%)</li><li>➤ Exceptionally good paragraph</li><li>➤ Correct answer with all points with no mistakes</li><li>➤ Correct answer with a few mistakes</li><li>➤ Answer with a few points</li><li>➤ Answer with a few points and many mistakes</li></ul>        | 5 Marks<br>4 Marks<br><br>3 Marks<br>2 Marks<br>1 Mark                          |
| 44<br>(a)              | <b>Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.</b><br>Summarising - Format<br>Rough copy / Rough Draft / First copy / First Draft<br>Fair copy / Fair Draft / Final copy / Final Draft<br>Suitable title<br>(An exceptional summary can be awarded Maximum marks.<br>The number of words in the Fair Draft need not be taken into account) | 1 mark<br><br>3 Marks<br>1 Mark   |
| (b)                    | (or)<br>Note making : Format<br>Title<br>Sub-titles<br>Key points under each sub-titles  | 1 Mark<br>2 Marks<br>2 Marks  |
| 45<br>(a)              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• From</li><li>• To</li><li>• Salutation</li><li>• Subject</li><li>• Body of the letter</li><li>• Subscription</li><li>• Superscription / Address on the envelope</li></ul>  | 1/2 mark<br>1/2 mark<br>1/2 mark<br>1/2 mark<br>1/2 mark<br>2 marks<br>1/2 mark |
| (b)                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paragraph - Advantages of Science</li></ul>  | 5 marks   |

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|-----|---|--|
| 46  | <p><b>i) <u>Spot the errors and correct them.</u></b></p> <p>(a) The dog jumped into the well.<br/>         (b) I bought a blue shirt and a tie.<br/>         (c) He said that he could drive a car.<br/>         (d) The Earth revolves around the sun.<br/>         e) The news is very thrilling.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(or)</b></p> <p>a) would help<br/>         b) dare<br/>         c) In spite of / Despite<br/>         d) naughty, knotty</p> | <p>1 Mark<br/>         1 Mark<br/>         1 Mark<br/>         1 Mark<br/>         1 Mark</p> <p>1 Mark<br/>         1 Mark<br/>         1 Mark<br/>         2 Marks</p> |
| 47. | <p><b><u>Identify the field.</u></b></p> <p>a) a) Environment                      b) Astronomy<br/>         c) Transport                              d) <b>mere attempt</b><br/>         e) Politics</p>  | 5 Marks  |
| b)  | <p><b><u>Comprehension passage.</u></b></p> <p>a) Most of the trees shed their leaves during autumn.<br/>         b) 'Defoliation' means shedding the leaves.<br/>         c) pines and firs<br/>         d) The Magnolia are used for decoration.<br/>         e) The Juniper plants, having short and bitter leaves which are found in North Britain are famous for their greenness.</p>  | <p>1 Mark<br/><br/>         1 Mark<br/>         1 Mark<br/>         1 Mark<br/>         1 Mark</p>   |

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