# RASI ENGLISH GUIDES 2023-24 <br> HALF YEARLY MODEL QUESTION PAPER 

Std: XII Subject: English

Total marks: 90
Time: $\mathbf{3}$ hours

## PART - I

Answer all the questions
( $20 \times 1=20$ )
Choose the most appropriate Synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.

1. My interest was provoked by their remarkable demeanour.
a. reality
b. combination
c. behaviour
d. affix
2. Most professions in the medical field require years of training.
a. duty
b. career
c. thought
d. serious
3. The liberties of everybody must be curtailed.
a. increased
b. inflation
c. shot
d. reduced

Choose the most appropriate antonyms of the underlined words in the following. 4. Predicting the arrival of visitors...
a. journey
b. departure
c. migration
d. perusal
5. The anticipation of this imagined separation only increases their fondness for the calf.
a. expectancy
b. contemplation
c. outlook
d. ignorance
6. There is a danger of the world getting liberty - drunk in these days.
a. afraid
b. safe
c. harmful
d. injury
7. Choose the correct plural form of "Hypothesis".
a. hypothesizes
b. hypopies
c. hypothes
d. hypotheses
8. Choose the correct compound word that can be placed after the word "Master".
a. filler
b. wedding
c. piece
d. size
9. Fill in the blank with the most suitable Preposition.

The beggar died $\qquad$ suffocation.
a. in
b. for
c. of
d. against
10. Replace the underlined word with a suitable phrasal verb.

The bus was nearly full. So, it was difficult to board.
a. get over
b. get round
c. get on
d. get up
11. Choose the right combination for the blended word "global+english".
a. glonglish
b. globish
c. glolish
d. gloglish
12. Choose the disyllabic word from the following.
a. gratify
b. defeat
c. fantastic
d.cause
13. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word "magnet".
a. ian
b.let
c.ism
d. ment
14. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation "IPC".
a.Indian police council
b. Indian petrol centre
c. Indian penal code
d. Indian penal council
15. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement.

It was too hot that day, $\qquad$ ?
a. wasn't it
b. was it
c. were they
d. didn't it
16. Identify the correct combination of the word 'walking stick'.
a. Adj+Adv
b. Gerund+Noun
c. Noun+Noun
d.Verb+Verb
17. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the given sentence.

The proposal was accepted in toto.
a. completely
b. partial
c. by the fact
d. legally
18. Choose American English word for "depot".
a. terminus
b. baggage
c. druggist
d. flat
19. Identify the sentence pattern of the following sentence.

Her dreams have come true.
a. SAV
b. SVO
c. SVC
d.SVA
20. Fear of thunder and lightning is termed as $\qquad$ .
a. hydrophobia
b. astraphobia
c. claustrophobia
d. acrophobia

PART - II (SECTION 1)
Read the following sets of Poetic lines and answer any four sets. (4x2=8)
21. "What could they offer us for bait?"
a. Who offer the bait?
b. Who was brave?
22. "Like a huge Python, winding round and round

The rugged trunk, intended deep with scars"
a. What looks like a python?
b. What did the trunk have on it?
23. "All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players"
a. What is the world compared to?
b. What is the figure of speech employed here?
24. "Matched with an aged wife, I mate and dole

Unequal laws unto a savage race".
a. Whom does the word "I" refer to?
b. Whom does the savage race refer to?
25. "Tell him to be a fool ever so often
and to have no shame over having been a fool
yet learning something out of every folly
hoping to repeat none of the cheap follies"
a. Is it a shame to be a fool at times?
b. What does one learn from every folly?
26. "On a little mound, Napolean

Stood on our storming day"
a. Where was Napolean standing?
b. Was Napolean anxious?

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Do as directed. Answer any three Questions.
27. Report the dialogue:

Doctor : What is the problem?
Patient : I have a severe head ache doctor. I have to attend a meeting in an hour.
Doctor : Take this tablet right now. You will be alright.

## 28. Change into other voice.

This experience will never be forgotten by me.
29. If you are late once again, you will lose your job. (Begin with 'should')
30. My brother was sick and so he could not attend class. (Rewrite as a complex sentence).

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> PART - III
> SECTION - 1

## Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.

31. "Unto thy honor, Tree beloved of those

Who now in blessed sleep for aye repose".
32. "I am become a name;

For always roaming with a hungry heart"
33. He will be lonely enough
to have time for the work

## SECTION - 2

Answer any two of the following questions in not more than 30 words. ( $2 \times 3=6$ )
34. Elucidate the author's idea about tea pots.
35. What did Hillary mean by saying "We had had enough to do the job, but by no means too much"?
36. What is 'liberty' according to the old lady?

SECTION - 3
Answer any three of the following.
37. Complete the proverbs choosing the right word from the list:
i) Doubt is the key to $\qquad$ (knowledge / wisdom/ invention)
ii) Still waters run $\qquad$ (deep/ shallow/ narrow)
iii) Out of sight, out of $\qquad$ . (place/ memory/ mind)
38. Write an article on 'Child Labour' in about 30 words.
39. Build a dialogue between a customer and a Bank manager with a minimum of 3 exchanges.
40. Describe the process of preparing mixed fruit salad.

> PART - IV

## Answer the following

41. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.
a. Summarize George Orwell's distinctive ideas in "A Nice Cup of Tea".
(Or)
b. Describe the situation in the narrator's household before and after the chair was bought.
42. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.
a. Describe the various stages of a man's life posturized in the poem. Elucidate
(Or)
b. What is the father's advice to his son when he is on the threshold of manhood?
43. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words, by developing the hints.
a. Life on Venus - other planet - raining for seven years - school children - nine years old forgotten the sun - appeared once in 7 years - Margot from Earth - came five years before children hated her - locked her in a room - sun came - only for two hours - rained again unlocked the door - let Margot out - missed the chance.
(Or)
b. Robert Baldwin an honest man - fraud in a bank - Gresham arrested - pressurized Baldwin to falsely declare - offered huge bribe - Baldwin refused - family members tempted ashamed of good - stood for justice - Gresham confessed - Baldwin rewarded.
44. a. Make Notes or Summarize the following passage.

Pollution is an undesirable change in physical, chemical and biological characteristics of our land, air and water caused by excessive accumulation of pollutants. The pollutants like carbon di-oxide, sulphur di-oxide and nitrogen oxide cause air pollution. The gas sulphur di-
oxide produces acid rain. Due to acid rain, buildings and plants materials are damaged. The increase of pollution causes global warming also. The average increase in the temperature of atmosphere is called global - warming. This is otherwise known as green house effect. This leads to the rise of sea level as a consequence of the melting of glaciers.
(Or)
b. Write a paragraph of about 150 words on 'Truth'.
45. a. Write a letter to the Editor of the newspaper about the nuisance created by the roadside vendors blocking the pavements and occupying the parking zone.
(Or)
b. You had been to your grandma's house during the summer holidays. You enjoyed your stay in her company. Write a letter to your Grandma stating how much you miss her after returning your home.
46. a. Read the following sentences spot the errors and correct them.
i. He was in such hurry.
ii. The view were enchanting.
iii. Three years have passed when my cousin resigned his job.
iv. Kumar is so ill to go to school.
v. We rarely go to movies, don't we?
(Or)
b. Fill in the blanks appropriately.
i. I $\qquad$ buy a packet of milk. (Use a semi-modal verb)
ii. A $\qquad$ of burglars robbed the $\qquad$ of gold from the museum.(horde/hoard)
iii. The boy $\qquad$ got the first prize is my brother. (Use an appropriate relative pronoun) iv. Let's organize a trip to Goa, $\qquad$ ? (Add a suitable question tag.)
47. a. Develop the following hints into a story.

A rich farmer - lot of land - two sons - happy life - sons grown - younger son unhappy asked his share - got it - sold them all - fell into bad ways - became poor - understood his mistake - returned to family.
b. Read the poem and answer the following questions:
"For oh," say the children, we are weary
And we cannot run or leap
If we cared for any meadows, it were merely
To drop down in them and sleep
Our knees tremble sorely in the stooping
We fall upon our faces, trying to go
And underneath our heavy eyelids drooping
The reddest flower would look as pale as snow.

## Questions:

i. What do the children do all the day?
ii. What do they cry for?
iii. Whom does 'we' refer to?
iv. Give the meaning of "Stooping".
v . What would they do if they saw any meadows?

## ANSWER KEY

| 1. c | 4. b | 7.d | 10.c | 13. c | 16. b | 19. c |
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| 2. b | 5. d | 8. c | 11.b | 14.c | 17.a | 20. b |
| 3. d | 6. b | 9. c | 12.b | 15.a | 18.a |  |

21. a. The enemies offer the bait.
b. The captain was brave.
22. a. The creeper looks like a python.
b.The trunk have deep scars on it.
23. a. The world is compared to a Stage.
b. Metaphor is employed here.
24. $a$. The word ' $I$ ' refers to Ulysses.
b. The savage race refers to the people of Ithaca.
25. a. No, it is not a shame to be a fool sometimes.
b. One should learn something from the mistakes and never repeat them.
26. a. Napolean was standing on a little mound.
b. Yes, he was anxious for the result of the battle
27. The doctor asked the patient what the problem was. The patient replied that he had a severe headache and added that he had to attend a meeting in an hour. The doctor advised the patient to take that tablet right then and also added that he would be alright.
28. I will never forget this experience.
29. Should you be late once again, you will lose your job.
30. As my brother was sick, he could not attend the class.
31. 'Our Casuarina Tree' by Toru Dutt.
32. 'Ulysses' by Tennyson.
33. 'A Father to his Son' by Carl August Sandburg.
34. i) wisdom
ii) deep
iii) mind
35. a i) He was in such a hurry
ii) The view was enchanting.
iii) Three years have passed since my cousin resigned his job.
iv)Kumar is too ill to go to school.
v) We rarely go to movies, do we?
36. b. i)need to
ii) horde, hoard
iii) who
iv) shall we
37. b. i. working
ii. for sleep
iii. children
iv. stooping means bending
v. They drop down in them and sleep

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