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## RASI ENGLISH GUIDES -

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Half-Yearly Examination - 2023

ENGLISH

PART - I

Register No. 

Marks: 90

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Time : 3.00 Hrs.

Answer all the questions.

(20x1=20)

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

1. The boys were quite artless.  
a) artistic b) talented **c) innocent** d) remarkable
  2. He was a walking horror, with a disfigured face.  
a) beautified **b) marred** c) cured d) embellish
  3. Suffering ennobles you.  
a) destroys **b) dignifies** c) distresses d) encourages
- Choose the most appropriate antonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.
4. Her eyes were soft and tender.  
a) caring b) kind c) noble **d) unsympathetic**
  5. Nor can I see any nobility in the crying of a lonely child in a ward at night.  
**a) dishonor** b) royalty c) elite d) grandeur
  6. The liberties of all may be preserved.  
a) conserved b) sustained c) saved **d) abandoned**
  7. **Substitute the underlines word with the appropriate polite alternative.**  
*Misfortunes have rained heavily upon the old man.*  
a) senior fellow **b) senior citizen** c) old fellow d) old chap
  8. **Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation 'RAW'.**  
a) Research and Android Wing b) Reserve and Admin Wing c) Research and Amateur Wing  
**d) Research and Analysis Wing**
  9. **Choose the correct compound word that can be placed after the word "Master".**  
a) filler b) wedding **c) piece** d) size
  10. **Choose the correct plural form of the word 'bacterium'.**  
a) bacteriums **b) bacteria** c) bacter d) bacterius
  11. **Choose the suitable meaning for the idiom in the following sentence.**  
The Eleventh hour preparation will not help the students.  
a) till 11 p.m. b) much in advance **c) till the last moment** d) late at night
  12. **Choose the clipped form of the word "topographical error".**  
a) graphror b) toporor **c) typo** d) topor
  13. **Replace the underlined word with a suitable phrasal verb.**  
He distributes his business card to everyone.  
a) gives in **b) gives out** c) gives up d) gives with
  14. **The term 'Entomology' refers to killing of \_\_\_\_\_.**  
a) birds b) animals c) fish **d) insects**
  15. **Form a new word by adding suitable prefix to the root word "friend".**  
**a) be** b) re c) non d) dis
  16. **Choose the appropriate Question tag.**  
I am in Scotland. \_\_\_\_\_?  
a) am I b) am n't I **c) are n't I** d) None of these

17. Choose the correct alternative for the given foreign word.  
I went 'en famille' on a big trip. a) individual b) familiar c) as a lonely d) as a family
18. Pick out non-tetra syllable word from the options given below:  
a) locality b) efficacy c) lamented d) morality
19. Fill in the blank with suitable preposition:  
The Germans ruled the city \_\_\_\_\_ three years.  
a) since b) for c) during d) while
20. Fill in the blank with the appropriate relative pronoun.  
This is the town \_\_\_\_\_ I spent my childhood.  
a) where b) whom c) which d) when

## PART - II SECTION - A

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following questions. (4x2=8)

21. There was a little private gate,  
A little wicked wicket gate.  
i) Why was the gate called wicked?  
ii) Pick out the words in alliteration in the given lines.
22. A creeper climbs, in whose embraces bond  
No other tree could live. But gallantly.  
i) Which tree is referred to in the above lines?  
ii) How does the tree survive the tight hold of the creeper?
23. Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel  
Seeking the bubble reputation  
i) Which stage of life is referred to here?  
ii) What is Bubble reputation?
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i) Whom does the word "I" refer to?  
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And this too might serve him.  
i) Why does the poet suggest to take life easy?  
ii) Identify the figure of speech in the above line.
26. A film the mother-eagle's eyes  
When her bruised Eaglet breaths.  
i) Who is compared to the mother eagle in the above lines?  
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## SECTION - B

Do as directed (Any three)

27. Helan said to Paris, "When will you come here?" (Change into Indirect speech)
28. Were he my friend, I would help him. (Rewrite a sentence using 'If')
29. He told a funny story yesterday. (Change it into passive voice)
30. My brother was so sick that he could not attend class. (Change it into compound sentence)

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(2x3=6)

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31. Unto the honor, Tree beloved of those  
Who now in blessed sleep for aye repost?
32. They seemed no threat to us at all.
33. Brutes have been gentled where lashed failed.

**SECTION - B****Answer any two of the following briefly.****(2x3=6)**

34. How did the narrator help the boys on Sunday?
35. What happened in the grand finale?
36. Why is there a danger of the world getting 'liberty drunk'?

**SECTION - C****Answer any three of the following****(3x3=9)**

37. Prepare a notice to be displayed on the notice-board of your school for the students, informing them about the Inter-school drama competition in your school auditorium.
38. Describe the precautionary steps to prevent spreading Dengue fever.
39. **Expand the Headlines.**
- Telephone customers to get video phone.
  - NEET classes to begin on May 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Indian women's hockey team to raise funds for poor.
40. **Rearrange the words in the sentence.**
- Need/A/friend/is/indeed/a/in/friend.
  - personal/a/not/is/liberty/a/social/contract/only/affair/but
  - smiled/He/agreed/and/come/to

**PART - IV****Answer the following:****(7x5=35)**

41. a) How does George Orwell explain his 'nice cup of tea'? **(OR)**  
b) How does Gardiner illustrate the argument that individual liberty can easily convert to social anarchy?
42. a) Describe the reminiscences of the poet, when she sees the casuarinas tree. **(OR)**  
b) Bring out Ulysses' thirst for knowledge as explained by Alfred Tennyson.
43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:  
a) Ivan Dmitrich Aksionov – lived – Vladimir – wife and children – trip – Nizhay Fair – wife – bad dream – not to start – local police – arrested Aksionov – charged with murder – petition – turned down – sent – mines of Siberia – grew old – frequently prayed to God – respected by inmates – gentle behaviour – one day – met – Makar Semyonich – Aksionov – found out the truth – Makar admitted – Aksionov – forgave – died in peace.  
**(OR)**  
b) Ausable – detective – Fowler – met – write – book – on – Ausable – He – disappointed – with – common-looks – Ausable – rival – spy – Max – broke – Ausable's room – important – reports – Ausable – used – presence of mind – telling – false – balcony – story – waiter – knocked – door – Ausable – said – police – came – security – out of fear – Max – jumped – non-existent – balcony.
44. **a) Write a summary of the following passage:**  
Women education is very important for the proper social and economic growth of the country. Both men and women are like two sides of the coin and run equally like to wheels of the society. Hence both are important elements for the growth and development of the country. Thus they require equal opportunity for education. If anyone is neglected, social progress is not possible. The female education in India is

highly necessary for the future of the country as women are the first teachers of their children, future of the nation. If education of women are ignored it would be a deterrent to the bright future of the nation. An uneducated women cannot handle the family, give proper care for the children and thus cannot guide the future generation. An educated woman may easily handle her family, make each family member responsible, infuse good qualities in children, and participate in social work. All these would lead towards socially and economically healthy nation. By educating a woman a whole country can be educated, lack of women education weakens the society so women should have full rights for education and should not be treated as inferior to men. All the famous historical women in India are inspiration for the women of this age. We should never forget their contribution to the society and country.

(OR)

b) Write an article on Awareness of Driving and Road Safety Rules for School Students.

45. a) Write an application for the post of personal secretary to the Managing Director of Rainbow Industries. Include the following details: educational qualification, experience, and various other qualifications required for the post.

(OR)

b) Write a letter to your uncle informing that you will visit him during the winter holidays.

46. a) Spot the error and correct it.

a) We rarely go to movies, don't we? *do we?*

b) Mathematics are my favourite subject.

c) As I was ill so I applied leave.

d) I, He and You are to complete the task today. *You, he and I ...*

e) The property was shared between four brothers. (OR) *among*

b) Do as directed:

i) While they were playing (play), there was a sudden downpour. (Use the verb in the correct form)

ii) How dare you ask me such a question? (Use a semi-modal verb)

iii) May I come in? (Use modal auxiliary)

iv) The police officials \_\_\_\_\_ the booty from the criminals to \_\_\_\_\_ their activity. (<sup>1</sup>seize, <sup>2</sup>cease)

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

Opera refers to a dramatic art form, originating in Europe, in which the emotional content is conveyed to the audience as much through music, both vocal and instrumental, as it is through the lyrics. By contrast, in musical theater an actor's dramatic performance is primary, and the music plays a lesser role. The drama in opera is presented using the primary elements of theater such as scenery, costumes, and acting. However, the words of the opera, or libretto, are sung rather than spoken. The singers are accompanied by a musical ensemble ranging from a small instrumental ensemble to a full symphonic orchestra.

Answer the questions:

1. What is an opera?
2. Where did opera originate from?
3. What are the primary elements of opera?
4. What is the special characteristic of an opera?
5. Suggest a suitable title. (OR)

b) Write a dialogue between a teacher and a student regarding 7.5 reservation in Engineering/Medical/Arts college admission.