

Standard 12 ENGLISH

Marks: 90

Time: 2 (2) Hours

- Instructions: 1) Check the question paper for fairness of printing. If there is any lack of fairness, inform the Hall supervisor immediately
2) Use Blue or Black ink to write and underline and pencil to draw diagrams

PART - I

20x1=20

Answer all the questions.

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

Choose the most appropriate Synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences

- 1) A few people from the house of bereavement stood outside
a) rejoice b) celebration c) grief d) war
- 2) Tea pots are fitted with dangling baskets to catch the stray leaves
a) peck b) nibble c) fine d) isolated/loose
- 3) The boys persuaded the nurse to take their sister into the hospital
a) dissuaded b) alerted c) induced d) warned

Choose the most appropriate Antonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences

- 4) Not the flat, shallow type
a) narrow b) wide c) deep d) direct
- 5) Fortuitously, a guest visited our house
a) luckily b) peacefully c) unfortunately d) happily
- 6) We are liable to forget this
a) unaccountable/unlikely b) answerable
c) amendable d) accountable
- 7) Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word 'manage'
a) - able b) - ity c) - ment d) - ness
- 8) Replace the underlined word with suitable phrasal verb.
The match was postponed due to rain
a) put on b) put up c) put in d) put off
- 9) Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation GST
a) Global Services Tax b) Goods and Sanctioning Tax
c) Goods and Services Tax d) Goods and Source Tax
- 10) Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word 'different'
a) dis - b) un - c) in - d) il -
- 11) Choose the clipped form of the word, 'signature'
a) sin b) nature c) sign d) gesture
- 12) Choose the correct question tag for the following
There is a stadium near your office,?
a) aren't it? b) do they? c) isn't it? d) does it?
- 13) Choose the correct sentence pattern for the following
The district collector advised the students to study well
a) SVO b) SVC c) SVOA d) SVOC
- 14) Choose the correct plural form of 'analysis'
a) analyseses b) analysis c) analyses d) analysis
- 15) Choose the compound word that can be placed before the word, 'piece'
a) like b) master c) submit d) obscure
- 16) Choose the blended form of 'travelogue'
a) travel + monologue b) travel + catalogue
c) travel + dialogue d) travel + analogue
- 17) How you ask me this? (Use a semi modal verb)
a) used to b) need c) dare d) ought to
- 18) Write the American English word for the underlined word in the following sentence

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- Sam is a truck driver
 a) truck b) lorry c) wagon d) container
- 19) Fill in the blank with suitable preposition
 The tea should be put straight the pot
 a) over b) on c) into d) in
- 20) Choose the trisyllabic word.
 a) initial b) command c) property d) enthusiastic

PART - II
SECTION - 1

4x2=8

Answer any four of the following

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

- 21) The giant wears the scarf, and flowers are hung
 In crimson clusters all the bough among!
 i) Who is the giant here?
 ii) Why is the scarf colourful?
- 22) Our gates were strong, our walls were thick
 So smooth and high, no man could win
 i) How safe was the castle?
 ii) What was the firm behalf of the soldiers?
- 23) Legs wide, arms locked behind,
 As if to balance the prone brow
 Oppressive with its mind
 i) Whose action is described here?
 ii) What is meant by prone brow?
- 24) This is my son, mine own Telemachus,
 To whom I leave the sceptre and the isle -
 Well-loved of me,
 i) Who does Ulysses entrust his kingdom to in his absence?
 ii) Bring out the significance of the 'sceptre'
- 25) Life is hard, he steel, he a rock
 i) How should one face life?
 ii) Identify the figure of speech in the above line
- 26) Then the whiming school boy with his satchel
 And shining morning face, creeping like snail
 Unwillingly the school
 i) Which stage of life is being referred to here by the poet?
 ii) How does the boy go to school?

SECTION - 2

3x2=6

Answer any three of the following.

- 27) Change the Direct speech into reported form
 The pilot said to the passengers
 "The plane will land in Delhi at 9 p.m."
 i) How should one face life?
 ii) Identify the figure of speech in the above line
- 28) Complete the sentence with the correct tense form of the verbs in brackets
 Tell me exactly what (happen) last night!
- 29) Rewrite the given sentence using the word given in the bracket:
 The Culprit was caught. Immediately he was taken to the police station (As soon as)
- 30) Change the voice of the following sentence
 Sophia sold her old car to selvi

PART - III
SECTION - 1

Answer any two (ERC).

Explain any two of the following with reference to the content. 2x3=6

- 31) "Our only enemy was gold".
 32) "I'm, killed, Sire!" And his chief beside
 Smiling the boy fell dead"

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They have their skills and ambitions.
And one man in his time plays their parts.

All the world's a stage
William

SECTION - 2

Answer any two of the following questions in not more than 30 words. 2x3=6

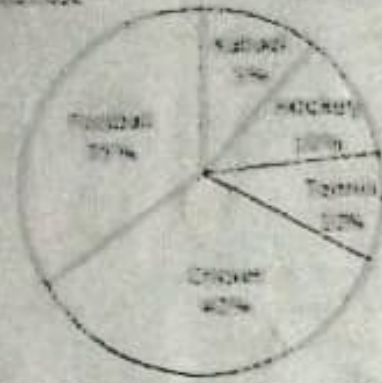
- 1) Why did the narrator fight at the suburbs of Verona?
- 2) What does the title of the play mean?
- 3) Describe the story that the narrator's family told.

SECTION - 3

Answer any three of the following questions.

3x3=9

37) Answer the following questions based on the pie chart given:
Favourite sports of students.



- 1) Which is the most favourite game of the students?
- 2) Which two games have equal number of students?
- 3) Name the game preferred by the least number of students.
- 4) Write a brief article for your school magazine about the importance of physical exercises, sports and games.

38) Write a dialogue with 3 exchanges between a student and a cultural secretary.

39) Rearrange the sentences to make a meaningful one:

- a) every day there is wax and ring that I will.
- b) er... please... suffering... a letter... and makes you.
- c) always my grandmother with me, went to school.

SECTION - 4

Answer the following.

7x5=35

41) Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words:

- a) What message is conveyed through the story "Two Gentleman of Verona"?
- (OR)
- b) Narrate the humorous incidents that happened in the author's home before and after the arrival of the chair.

42) Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.

- a) Describe the reminiscences of the poet, when she sees the casuarina tree.
- (OR)
- b) Describe how Carl August Sandburg guides his son who is at the threshold of manhood, to face the challenges of life.

43) Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:

- a) Aksionov - made a trip to a fair - wife stopped him - bad dream - local police officer arrested - charged him murder - blood stained knife - Aksionov swore he had not done - imprisoned - wife met him in jail - saw her husband - fell down - reminded him her dream - asked for truth - suspected him - Aksionov wept - said goodbye to his family.
- (OR)
- b) Ausable - Secret agent - important paper - Fowler thrilled - Max - Pistol - wanted report - Ausable - fabricated story - balcony - knocking heard - befooled - Max - jumps - died.

44) Write a summary or make note of the following passage:

Languages are of different kinds - spoken language, written language, sign language, code language, body language, Braille or language of the

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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 distinguishable vocabulary, pronunciation or idioms.

- 45) a) Write an application for the post of Personal Secretary to the Managing Director of a company

(OR)

- b) Write a paragraph on the topic 'The Importance of Reading'

- 46) a) **Spot the errors:**

- I bought new furniture.
- Oxygen is more heavier than hydrogen.
- The dog jumped in the well.
- Though he works hard but he fails.
- One of my sister is rich.

- b) **Do as directed:**

- Where ~~did~~ (you spend) your last holidays? (Use a suitable tense form)
- I don't know the will permit us to go out (Whether / weather) (Use the appropriate word in the blank)
- In the army, soldiers only their officers (Use a modal verb)
- ~~At the end of~~ Gandhiji, ahimsa means infinite love (Use a suitable prepositional phrase)
- It started raining (yet / so) we could not play (Choose the appropriate linker)

- 47) a) **Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words.**

Many people are unsuccessful because of their subconscious mind. Human brain is like a powerful computer. Everything starts from our brain. Whatever you have been learning since your birth is stored in your brain. There are two types of thinking positive and negative thinking. The positive thinking is optimistic which helps you in achieving success while negative thinking is pessimistic which causes failures. All the above things are considered as programming. You will achieve success after diluting the negative programming from your brain. Brain is a machine of thoughts which never stops and hence carries out activities continuously. You have to leave your negative things which is a hindrance for your progress. Anger, tension and hatred are negative thinking. You must avoid all these as they lead us in the direction of failure. The positive things are faith, love, honour, praise and to achieve high dream. Say I can do! I will do! whatever commands you give your brains, it will do the same.

Questions:

- What are the two types of thinking?
- What is compared to the brain?
- Mention some of the positive things that one should follow.
- What should be done to be a successful person?
- What is the hindrance for one's progress?

(OR)

- b) **Identify each of the following sentence with the field in the list given below.**

- Faith in God helps one to lead a peaceful life *Religion*
 - The flight was cancelled owing to fog *Weather*
 - The monitors displays the menu. *Computer*
 - Fast food and snacks may spoil one's health *Nutrition*
 - The pictures drawn by Michael Angelo are auctioned *Art*
- (Art, Weather, Religion, computer, Nutrition and Dietetics)