



Standard 12

ENGLISH

Marks: 90

Time: 3.00 Hrs.

PART - I

20 x 1 = 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.

- As we made the rounds my interest was again provoked by their remarkable demeanour.
a) behavior b) sloth c) awareness d) rudeness
- Thinking about suffering – something basic that was full of solace for me.
a) worry b) distress c) agony d) comfort
- A few people from the house of bereavement stood outside.
a) Rejoice b) celebration c) grief d) war

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

- Much might be written about the subsidiary uses of tea.
a) secondary b) important c) primary d) unimportant
- We persisted in our efforts to beat a trail up it
a) continued b) paid c) rested d) stopped
- Her basket down the middle of a street in Petrograd to the great confusion.
a) certainty b) crumpled c) shortened d) mess
- Replace the underlined phrasal verb with a single word.
A fire broke out during the night.
a) started gradually b) started suddenly c) stopped quickly d) stopped equally
- Add a suitable prefix to the word 'knowledge'
a) un b) under c) hyper d) ac
- Choose the appropriate question tag and complete the sentence.
Nobody can resolve this issue, _____?
a) can they b) can we c) can't they d) can't we
- Choose the appropriate combination of the given compound word 'long awaited'.
a) noun + noun b) noun + gerund c) noun + adjective d) adjective + participle
- Choose the right combination for the given blended word 'lectem'.
a) lec+ demo b) lec + demonstration c) lecture + demonstration d) lecture + demo
- Choose the correct polite alternative for the underlined word.
The culprit was sent to jail.
a) be executed b) eternal rest c) correctional facility d) collateral damage
- Choose the correct American word for the word 'baby carriage'.
a) load cart b) Pram c) baby carrier d) load carrier
- Choose the correct expansion form of "SOP"
a) Standard Operation Procedure b) State Operation Procedure
c) State Operating Procedure d) Standard Operating Procedure
- Choose the clipped form for the word 'prerequisites'.
a) perg b) perqui c) perks d) sites
- One who can use both hands equally efficiently is called as a _____.
a) sadist b) ambidextrous c) Polyglot d) Thespian
- Identify the pattern of the following sentence.
He made his son an IAS officer.
a) SVIDO b) SVDOIO c) SVOA d) SVOC
- Choose the correct tri syllabic word from the following
a) Clarity b) wisdom c) atrocity d) particular
- Choose the correct meaning for the idioms given below.
Each member of the team had all their ducks in a row.
a) to be well organised b) near the junction
c) to think carefully d) wait for a situation to become clear

20. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositional phrases

You should act in _____ rules and regulations.

- a) because of b) according to c) in spite of d) In the event of

PART – II
SECTION - A

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

4 x 2 = 8

21. "For what, we thought, had we to fear
with our arms and provender load on load
Our towering battlements, tier on tier"

- a) Why did they have no reason to fear?
b) What does 'battlements' refer to?

22. "When first my casement is wide open thrown
At dawn, my eyes delighted on it rest"

- i) When is the casement opened first?
ii) What delighted the eyes of the poet?

23. "All the world's a stage
And all the men and woman merely players
They have their exits and their entrances"

- i) What does the poet mean by the terms exits and entrances?
ii) What figure of speech has been used in the second line?

24. "That ever with a frolic welcome took
The thunder and the sunshine, and opposed"

- i) What do 'thunder' and 'sunshine' refer to?
ii) What do we infer about the attitude of the sailors?

25. "Let him have lazy days seeking his deeper motives.
Let him seek deep for where he is born natural"

- i) Why does the poet advice his son to have lazy days?
ii) Identify the figure of speech used in the above lines.

26. "You know, we French stormed Ratisbon:
A mile or so away,"

- i) Where is Ratisbon?
ii) Who took the city ratisbon

SECTION – B

Do as directed.

Answer any three of the following questions.

3 x 2 = 6

27. Change the direct speech into Reported form.

Old student: Good morning, sir, I am Raju an old student of this school. I want my Transfer certificate, Sir.

H.M: Give me your application, today is Monday. Please come on Wednesday and get your T.C.

28. When did you feel the tremor? (Change into other Voice form)

29. The girl is dancing on the stage and she is my sister. (Change into complex sentence)

30. Rewrite the sentence making an inversion in the conditional Clause.

If you had had enough money, you could have bought a house.

PART – III
SECTION – A

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

2 x 3 = 6

31. For your sakes, shall the tree be ever dear."

32. "Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel seeking the bubble reputation"

33. "Brutes have been gentled where lashes failed."

SECTION - B

Answer any two of the following questions in not more than 30 words.

2 x 3 = 6

34. Describe the girl with whom the boys were talking in the cubicle.

35. What did Tenzing and Edmund Hillary gift to the god of lofty summit? How did they do it?

36. How can we sweeten our life's journey?

SECTION - C

3 x 3 = 9

Answer any three of the following.

37. Study the pie chart given and write three sentences on your inference about the data.

Favourite food of the students



38. Describe the process of cleaning the tarnished brass items at home.

39. Complete the proverbs choosing the right words from the hint.

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| a) _____ what you preach. | a) act | b) practice | c) run |
| b) To err is _____. | a) animal | b) bird | c) human |
| c) Misfortunate never comes _____. | a) alone | b) group | c) whole |

40. Rearrange the following jumbled sentences correctly.

- every hope / there is / walk and sing / that / she will.
- Who help / themselves / God / those / helps
- Mind / is the / workshop / an idle / devil's.

PART - IV

7 x 5 = 35

Answer the following.

41. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.

- How did a casual incident in a hospital help Dr. Barnard perceive a new dimension of life?
(or)

- Write character sketches of Maamanaar and Pedanna.

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

- How does nature communicate with the poet?
(or)

- The young soldier matched his emperor in courage and patriotism. Elucidate your answer.

43. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the hints.

- Aksionov's - went to the - where her husband - in jail - was not allowed - see him - much begging - she obtained - to see him - fainted when - first saw her - in prison dress - in chains - told him of - things at - She asked - what happened - He narrated - happened - him - had sent - petition - Czar - it had - accepted - She asked - to tell - truth - thought that - too suspected - He hid - face in - hands - began - weep.
(or)

- The sun - about a - change in - attitude of - children - light of the sun - phenomenon - the children - the beginning of - story, there - a lot of - between Margot - the other children - was a nine year old girl - came to Venus from - Ohio U.S. - would remember - earthly life - about the sun - was not visible - Venus - sun would - only once - every - years - children were - to see - that had - seven years ago - neglected by the - children because of her - about the sun.

44. a) Makes notes for the following passage.

Soybeans belong to the legume family. The beans are the seeds of the leguminous soybean plant. They can be grown on a variety of soil and in a wide range of climates. Soybeans are versatile as they can be used as whole beans, soy sprouts or processed as a variety of food items, such as soy milk, tofu, soy sauce, soy oil and soy dairy alternatives. They are also used making candles and bio-diesel.

Soy is an excellent source of high quality protein; is low in saturated fats and is cholesterol- free. It is also rich in vitamins, especially Vitamin B complex, minerals such as magnesium, calcium, iron, potassium and copper. In recent times it has highly recommended because of its ability to lower the levels of Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL), a bad cholesterol.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has confirmed that foods containing soy protein are likely to reduce the risk of coronary heart disease.

An easy way to take soy is as soymilk now available with added flavor. Soy milk does not contain lactose

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(milk sugar) and can be drunk by those who are allergic to normal milk. To get soymilk, soybeans are soaked in water, ground and then strained. If you don't mind the trouble, you can also make it at home.

(or)

b) Write an essay of about 200 words "Covid-19 the Killer Disease".

45. a) You wish to become a pilot. Write a letter to a college enquiring about the details of the pilot training course offered by the college. Include the following details in your enquiry: duration of the course, fee structure, scholarships, hostel facilities and placement details.

(or)

b) Write a letter to your father, requesting him to allow you to go on an educational tour.

46. a) Read the following sentences spot the errors and correct them.

- My father gave me a lot of advices.
- One of the dacoits were shot dead.
- Ramesh went to abroad.
- If they had contacted me I would help them.
- Rahim was senior than Abdul in college.

(or)

b) Fill in the blanks appropriately.

- She had to _____ out her papers before she _____ help from the clerk. (sought/sort)
- I _____ (be) forty next birthday. (Fill in the blanks with suitable tense)
- You _____ pay attention to our student. (Fill in the blanks with suitable modals)
- I do not care _____ you stay or go. (Fill in the blanks with suitable conjunction)

47. a) Develop the following hints into a story.

Manager of a firm advertised-night watchmen-applications presented-manager not satisfied-rejected all- there was Raju- sat in a corner- patiently waiting- manager questioned his health- got reply- suffering from sleeplessness - manager happy- appointed, him.

(or)

b) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.

The little Tramp", the unforgettable character Charlie Chaplin invented, was born purely by accident in 1915. While rushing to a film shoot in California, he grabbed clothes what other people had left behind in the changing room. And when he emerged, he found, he had created a personality everybody loved a little guy in a bowler hat, a close-fitting jacket, a cane, a pair of outsized shoes and a brush-like moustache.

Before long, Chaplin found himself a star. That puzzled him, for he saw himself essentially as a shy British Music Hall comedian. The U.S., acknowledged him as it king of silent film comedy. Soon, so did crowds all over the world.

But life wasn't always a laugh for Charles Spencer chaplin. Both his parents were music Hall artists, who separated when Charlie was very young. His childhood was very sad, for his mother never earned enough to look after her children. Sometimes, chaplin had to sleep on the streets.

Charlie took his first bow on the stage, when his mother made her last appearance. It happened when her voice broke during a song. Her son stepped on stage and sang a popular song. That's when a star was born.

Questions:

- Which unforgettable character did Charlie Chaplin invent?
- Describe the personality created by Charlie, whom everybody loved.
- What did Charlie see himself as?
- Give one reason to show that Charlie's early life was very sad.
- Find the 'word in the passage that is opposite in meaning to,
 - "Bold" -
 - "Tragedy" -