

Answer all the questions. Choose the most appropriate answer from the given four alternatives and write both the option code and corresponding answer for each question

20X1=4

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

1. Tenzing kicked steps in a long traverse back towards the ridge
a) back up b) travel across c) bear out d) reverse
2. but there is not much stimulation in it
a) energy b) acceptance c) respect d) excitement
3. Individual liberty would have become social anarchy
a) lawlessness b) order c) control d) lawfulness

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

4. We can't appreciate light if we haven't known darkness
a) reduce b) forget c) neglect d) condemn
5. They were in many ways quite artless
a) innocent b) cunning c) intelligent d) kind
6. He greeted me with his usual smile and banter
a) flattery b) small talk c) chit chat d) repartee
7. Choose the suitable phrasal verb for the underlined word in the sentence.
Ram's request was rejected by his manager.
a) turned off b) turned down c) turned in d) turned away
8. Choose the suitable meaning for the idiom found in the following sentences
He is the only 'black sheep' in a family of well educated members
a) exceptional b) person with bad reputation c) perfect person d) money-minded
9. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence.
Benson always tried to maintain the Status quo with the company's
a) existing condition b) interest c) strength d) instruction
10. Choose the correct word that can be placed after the word "wind" to form a compound word
a) craft b) pans c) brake d) screen
11. Fill in the blank with suitable prepositional phrase
_____ being poor, he is happy.
a) in favour of b) in case of c) on behalf of d) in spite of
12. Choose the appropriate linker and complete the sentence
_____ you book in advance, you cannot witness the show
a) unless b) if c) although d) otherwise
13. Replace the British English word with its equivalent in American English
Ramesh lifted his car's bonnet to check the engine
a) trunk b) hoot c) hood d) boot
14. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation "OPEC"
a) Organisation of Proper Education Committee
b) Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries
c) Oil and Petroleum Exporting Countries
d) Oil, Petrol and Ethanol Countries
15. Fill in the blanks with a suitable relative pronoun

- This is the town _____ I was born
 a) who b) where c) which d) that
16. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement
 Krishna is a good singer _____?
 a) is he? b) isn't he? c) did he? d) didn't he?
17. Choose the correct plural form of 'Curriculum'
 a) curriculum b) curriculumes c) curricula d) curriculae
18. Linguistics is the study of
 a) liquor b) lizards c) languages d) lunatics
19. Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word "dispensable"
 a) en b) ir c) pre d) in
20. Choose the correct spelling of the word from the options given below
 a) secretry b) secretary c) secretery d) secratory

PART - II

SECTION - 1

Choose any four of the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions that follow:

4X2=8

21. "Legs wide, arms locked behind,
 As if to balance the prone brow,
 Oppressive with its mind"
 a) whose action is described here? b) what is meant by "prone brow"?
22. "Life is hard, be steel, be a rock"
 a) How should one face life?
 b) Identify the figure of speech in the above line.
23. "Little remains: but every hour is saved,
 from that eternal silence, something more"
 a) what does the term 'little remains' convey?
 b) Mention the figure of speech employed in the above lines
24. Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel
 seeking the bubble reputation
 a) which stage of life is being referred here?
 b) Explain the "bubble reputation"
25. Our gates were strong, our walls were thick,
 so smooth and high, no man could win
 a) How safe was the castle?
 b) what was the firm belief of the soldiers?
26. A creeper climbs, in whose embraces bound
 No other tree could live
 a) which tree is referred in the above lines?
 b) How does the tree survived the tight hold of the creeper?

SECTION - 2

Do as directed

Answer any three questions

3X2=6

27. Rewrite the following dialogue in reported form
 Selva: Where are you going?
 Ramesh: I am going to Railway Station
28. How do you know my Uncle? (change the voice)

29. Unless you do these exercises regularly, You will not recover (Rewrite as compound sentence)
 30. If I were a rich man, I would help others (Begin the sentence with 'were')

PART - III**SECTION - 1**

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context

2X3=6

31. "May love defend thee from oblivion's curse"
 32. " They have their exit and their entrances"
 33. " Film the mother-eagles eye"
 When her bruised eaglet breathes"

SECTION - 2**2X3=6**

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

34. What were the various jobs undertaken by the little boys?
 35. What was the profound lesson that Dr. Barnard learnt from the boys?
 36. What does the 'rule of the road' mean?

SECTION - 3**3X3=9**

Answer any three of the following questions

37. Complete the proverb, choosing the right word from the list
 a) cruelty deserves no _____
 i) enemy ii) friend iii) mercy
 b) care and diligence bring _____
 i) bane ii. Luck iii. Curse
 c) Burnt child _____ fire
 i) likes ii) hates iii) dreads
38. Rearrange the jumbled sentences correctly
 a) ennobles you /suffering / a better person / and makes you
 b) she/find/keys/could/ her/ not
 c) is/ when/ virtue/discipline / the most essential/ should acquire/ young / one
39. Describe the process of cleaning a flask.
40. Expand the following headlines in a sentence each
 a) heavy floods in Bihar, crops ruined.
 b) Mobile phones banned in schools.
 c) Jewels stolen from a house in Salem.

PART - IV**7X5=35**

Answer the following

Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words :

41. a) Describe the journey of Edmund Hillary to the summit. (OR)
 b) Summarize the distinctive ideas of George Orwell in the essay " A Nice Cup of Tea"
42. a) Human greed led to the mighty fall of the citadel. Explain (OR)
 b) Explain how the poet guides his son who is at the threshold of manhood to face the challenges of life.
43. **Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words, by developing hints.**
 Baldwin- honest and upright- working in a bank-Baldwin's friendship-Baldwin named his name after Gresham-
 Gresham misappropriation of money- his arrest- was offered a hundred thousand dollars to say - I don't
 remember
 (OR)
 Lord Weston- judge- picks a piece of paper from his pocket - remember Caesar - panic- orders-Roger to
 close doors and windows - a parcel arrives-thinks it might be bombs - puts in pail of water - his wife
 indifferent to his plight - angry with her - remembers appointment with Caesar - his absent mindedness.