

Standard - X

Time : 3.00 hrs

ENGLISH

Marks: 100

Part - I

Answer all the questions:

14×1=14

I. Choose the most suitable answer and write the code with corresponding answer.

Choose the appropriate synonym of the underlined words:

- 1) Herring was the first catch of the young seagull's older brother
 a) Silver fish b) gold fish c) carp d) blue fish
- 2) INSV Tarini was built indigenously in India
 a) internationality b) technically c) domestically/innately d) beautifully
- 3) He could not rise exhausted by the strange exercise.
 a) sleepy b) irritated c) tired d) wounded

Choose the appropriate antonym for the underlined words:

- 4) They were beckoning to him, calling shrilly
 a) attracting b) repelling c) gesture d) signalling
- 5) The cops were reluctant to leave without getting their hand on somebody besides
 a) opposed b) unwilling c) eager d) averse
- 6) Holmes spoke rudely to Watson.
 a) roughly b) politely c) angrily d) harshly
- 7) Choose the correct plural form of criterion from the following
 a) criteria b) criterions c) criteriae d) criterionus
- 8) Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word regular
 a) -ance b) -able c) -ful d) -ity
- 9) Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation IPC
 a) Integrated Police Council b) Indian Penal Code
 a) Independent Police Corps d) International Public Census
- 10) The crew _____ of water and food before they could complete their expedition
 a) gave on b) ran about c) ran in d) ran out
- 11) Choose the suitable option to pair with the word 'fare' to form a compound word
 a) engine b) play c) away d) well
- 12) Fill in the blank with the most appropriate prepositional given below:
 Peter closed the hole _____ his finger.
 a) in b) with c) on d) into
- 13) Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below:
 The phone _____ (ring) now
 a) is ringing b) was ringing c) rang d) rung
- 14) Choose the most appropriate Prepositional phrase from the given alternatives:
 The match was cancelled _____ heavy rain.
 a) in spite of b) on behalf of c) due to d) until

Part - II

Section - I

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two:- **3×2=6**

- 15) Mention the special features of INSV Tarini.
- 16) How does David operate computers with the Liberator Communication Device?
- 17) What did Nagen uncle tell about sanyal's past life?
- 18) What instructions did Holmes give Watson to get Mr. Smith?

Section - II

Read the following poetic lines and answer any three of the following: **3×2=6**

- 19) **There's a family nobody likes to meet;
 They live, it is said, on complanning Street**
 a) Where does the family live?

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- b) Why do you think the street is named as 'Complaining Street?'
- 20) **Strong is she in her faith and belief**
'Persistence is the key to everything' says she
 a) What is she strong about? b) How does she deal with the adversities in life?
- 21) **But we ants never borrow;**
We ants never lend.
 a) Why do you think ants neither borrow nor lend?
 b) Who says these lines to whom?
- 22) **Rumors are constantly being made,** a a b b
And each day the house just begins to fade.
What happened inside that house?
 a) Does the house remain the same everyday?
 b) Why does the poet consider the house to be a mystery?

Section - III

Answer any three of the following:-

3 × 2 = 6

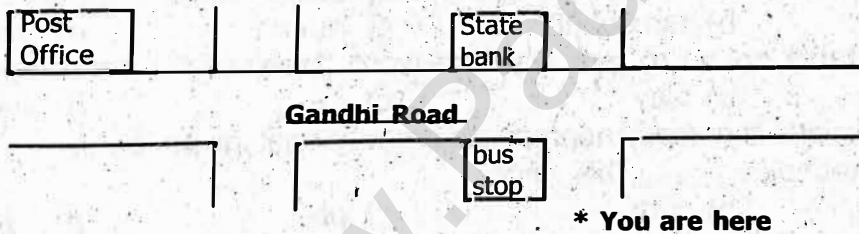
- 23) **Rewrite the following sentence in Passive voice:**
 No one is borrowing the novels from the library.
- 24) **Change into Indirect speech:**
 Sophia said, "They had better go."
- 25) **Punctuate the following sentence:**
 i thought it was scientific fact that birds couldnt snore said maya.
- 26) **Transform the following sentence into a simple sentence**
 He confessed that he was guilty.
- 27) **Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences.**
 a) your/today/put on/new/since/is/birthday/dress/the
 b) will/a/super/India/be/power/2025/In

Section - IV

Answer the following questions:-

1 × 2 = 2

- 28) Direct the stranger to go to the post office



Part - III

Section - I

Answer any two of the following in a paragraph:-

2 × 5 = 10

- 29) Highlight the factors responsible for the all-women Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition.
- 30) 'Man does change with time'-What were the various changes that came about in Aditya?
- 31) How did Watson help his friend to arrest the criminal?
- 32) Give an account of the last day of Mr. Hamel in School.

Section - II

Answer any two of the following:-

2 × 5 = 10

- 33) What is the central theme of the poem "No men are foreign"?
- 34) Write a paragraph on "The Grumble Family" and their attitude towards other folks.
- 35) **Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below:**
 "She is a lioness; don't mess with her. a a b c
 She 'll not spare you, if you 're a prankster.
 Don't ever try to saw her pride, her self respect.
 She knows how to thaw you, saw you-so beware!"

- i) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines
- ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
- iii) Identify the figure of speech employed here in this stanza.
- iv) Pick out the alliterating words in the stanza.

36) **Paraphrase the following stanza:**

Though our smoke may hide the Heavens from your eyes;
It will vanish and the stars will shine again
Because, for all our power and weight and size
We are nothing more than children of your brain!

Section - III

Answer any one of the following:-

1×5=5

37) **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order:**

- i) Using his powers, Prospero released the good spirits from large bodies of trees
- ii) Prospero and Miranda came to an island and lived in cave,
- iii) He raised a violent storm in the sea to wreck the ship of his enemies.
- iv) The king of Naples and Antonio the false brother, repented the injustice they had done to Prospero
- v) He ordered Ariel to torment the inmates of the ship.

38) **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:-**

Dr. T. Ashok Krishnan's clinic usually sounded more like an ancient Chinese torture chamber than a child specialist's clinic. This was because the tiny children who were his patients left out a variety of blood curdling yells and ears-splitting sobs. It is all because my patients were making so much noise and crying so loudly, he apologized to his wife. One evening that Somu couldn't hear me properly, he rang me in the clinic to ask whether he could keep ZigZag with us when he leaves for Alaska. And now Somu thinks I said "Yes even though I clearly said 'no' I know you are busy getting your painting ready for exhibition next week.

- 1) How was Dr. Krishnan's clinic sounded?
- 2) Who raised blood - curdling yells?
- 3) Who leaves for Alaska?
- 4) What was Mrs. Krishnan busy with?
- 5) Why did Somu ring up to Dr. Krishnan?

Section - IV

Answer any four of the following:-

4×5=20

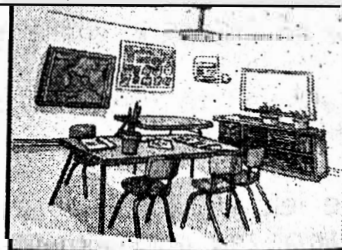
39) Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below:

Fresh fruits - Vegetables from farms - healthy - juicy - tasty - low price - care for health - palamuthircholai - 59, Palakarai Trichy - 9486474233

40) Write a letter to the Headmaster of your school requesting for a Bonafide Certificate

41) You are Mithra/Mahesh School Pupil Leader GHSS Trichy. Your Headmaster has requested you to inform the students about the Eco club meeting in your school. Prepare a notice giving the details such as the Date, time and venue of the meeting.

42) **Look at the following picture and express your views on it in five sentences.**



43) **Make notes or write a summary of the following passage.**

A flood is a condition when an area is fully or partially submerged in water for a period of time due to man-made or natural causes. The natural reasons behind floods can be heavy and continuous rain for an extended time period. Dam bursts or breaking of dam gates can be a man-made reason for a flood to occur. Floods can be highly dangerous at times because they may lead to loss of lives and property, and at certain places, it also leads to landslides. One cannot stop floods, but they can be avoided by constructing dams. One can definitely reduce the

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effects of floods and can reduce the damage caused by floods. Planting more trees in flood-prone areas and constructing dams might be helpful in controlling the adverse effects of floods.

- 44) **Identify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly.**
- He prefers coffee than tea.
 - As he is ill and so he takes rest.
 - One of my friend is a good player.
 - He is a honest man.
 - Many people behaves rudely now-a-days.

Section - V

- 45) **Quote from memory:-**

We can pull which we live.

1×5=5

Part - IV

Answer the following:-

2×8=16

- 46) **Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.**

a) Prospero - Duke of Milan - fond the magic - brother Antonio - overthrow Prospero - king of Naples - Prospero and his daughter Miranda on exile - reached an island - released good spirits from Sycorax - creates storm - Ariel helps the enemies - Ferdinand arrives - Miranda fell in love with Ferdinand - Prospero tests him Ferdinand proved his mettle - Prospero excuses - Antonio - restores his kingdom.

[or]

b) Uncle Philip - calls for Tom - gives - treasure box - box contains - precious stones and valuables - warns Tom - handle with care - a letter - instructs - interesting mechanism - unlock the box - explodes - Tom anxious - wants - to possess - valuable - but worried - opening finds - all possible - options - but in vain - finally - donates it.

- 47) **Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below:**

The Vatican is the world's smallest country which became independent in 1929. It occupies 109 acres in the Italian Capital Rome. It has been the spiritual and administrative centre of the Roman Catholic Church. (At the heart of the Vatican, St. Peter's Basilica, the world's largest Christian Church.) (Inside the Vatican Palace includes chapels, a library and museums.) (Vatican city has its small 'army' of soldiers called 'Swiss Guard' who maintain order and protect the Pope.) About 1000 people live here. All the people are Christians and they speak Italian.

Questions:-

- What is the speciality of Vatican?
- Describe the location of the Vatican city?
- What is St. Peter's Basilica? Where is it?
- What can one see in the palace?

[or]

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

In the middle of the city
Is an open space called a park;
It is difficult for us to do what we like there
Even after dark

In the middle of the park, there is a statue,
A huge man made of stone
We are not allowed to climb his legs or
Scribble on his trousers.

He has to be left alone,
In the middle of the grass, there is some water
Surrounded by an asphalt path.
We are forbidden to fish or throw stones into it
Or swim or take both.

Questions:-

- What is the open space called?
- What is not possible even after dark?
- Who do you think is forbidden from running freely in the park?
- Whose statue is in the park?

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