

DIRECTORATE OF GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS, CHENNAI - 06
HIGHER SECONDARY FIRST YEAR PUBLIC EXAMINATION, MARCH- 2024

ENGLISH - ANSWER KEY

Maximum Marks: 90

1. Answers written only in Black or Blue ink should be evaluated
2. Full marks should be awarded only the answers without any spelling mistakes and grammatical errors.
3. Answers for more than specified number of questions should be struck and labeled as 'extra'
4. Answers without question numbers should not be evaluated.
5. In Part-1 (Question No.1 to 20) marks should not be awarded, if the option codes and the corresponding answers do not match. (In case the student has written both.

PART - I

Answer all the questions:

20x1=20

Q.No	Answer		Mark
1	b	isolated	1
2	a	strange	1
3	b	honesty	1
4	c	criticised	1
5	d	unworthy	1
6	a	interesting	1
7.	c	wheel	1
8.	d	-ment	1
9.	d	SVO	1
10.	b	eradicate	1
11.	a / b	in / for	1
12.	c	frightened	1
13.	a	had seen	1
14.	b	is able to use the left and right hands equally	1
15.	c	felecitation	1
16.	c	aren't they	1
17.	b	put off	1
18.	b	National Cadet Corps	1
19.	d	Happy Journey	1
20.	a	in	1

Part - II (SECTION - 1)

Answer any four of the following questions:

4x2=8

Q.No.	Answer	Mark
21.	a. The poet's faith is that every flower enjoys the air it breathes / The flower is happy with the air the nature has bestowed on it / that every flower in nature enjoys itself.	1
	b. The nature gives happiness to all / Nature makes everyone happy / We see the love of nature in all its creation.	1
22.	a. Small Model refers to human body / The body's flesh / it represents all perishable things.	1
	b. Death - Earth	1
23.	a. He wants to be real and genuine / His teeth are bare like that of the fangs of a snake. So he asks his son to show him how to laugh / his laughter resembles snake's bare fangs.	1
	b. The poet wants to relearn from his son.	1
24.	a. The speaker is proud of his position he holds / The speaker is proud of his position in life.	1
	b. <u>p</u> roud - <u>p</u> osition <u>h</u> old - <u>h</u> umble	1
25.	a. No, the poet does not talk about a real cat.	1
	b. He is the master criminal because his foot prints cannot be traced out by the Scotland Yard. So he is called the Hidden Paw.	1
26.	a. Exchanging positions/ taking the place of a winning athlete pleases the ego / Swapping position with one of the athletes pleases the ego.	1
	b. As the athletes play for victory, they play rough / Athletes are zealous and they do not consider others feelings/everyone wants to win.	1

(SECTION - 2)

Answer any three questions.

3x2=6

Q.No.	Answer	Marks
27.	Pranav said, "I was walking along the street".	2
28.	May you be blessed by God with happiness (or) May you be blessed with happiness by God (or) You may be blessed with happiness by God (or) You may be blessed by God with happiness.	2
29.	Though / Although / Eventhough we stayed up all night, we were not tired at all.	2
30.	Were I a millionaire, I would buy a car.	2

Part - III (SECTION - 1)

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context

2x3=6

Q.No.	Answer	Marks
31.	Poem : The Hollow Crown Poet : William Shakespeare Explanation:	1 1 1
32.	Poem : Confessions of a Born Spectator Poet : Ogden Nash. Explanation:	1 1 1
33.	Poem : Lines Written in the Early Spring Poet : William Wordsworth Explanation:	1 1 1

Part - III (SECTION - 2)

Answer any two of the following briefly:

2x3=6

Q.No.	Answer	Marks
34.	Sportsmen, Poets and Anglers are the citizens of 'dreamland' They have their own imaginations and forget to take their things.	2 1
35.	Bryson wished to avoid the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be very careful in his travel and to avoid forgetfulness. • to rise from the dinner /dinning table with shaky movements. • to close the door of a car with 14 inches of coat outside. • to sit on chewing gum , ice cream , cough syrup or motor oil and stain his trousers. • Air Travel especially with his family members. (Any Three Points can be awarded three marks)	3
36.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The author's grand mother was short, fat and slightly bent . • Her face was criss-cross of wrinkles running from everywhere to everywhere. • She was always beautiful. • She looked serene, peaceful and content. • She was affectionate and caring. • She was a deeply religious woman. (Any Three Points can be awarded three marks)	3

Part - III (SECTION - 3)

Answer any three of the following briefly

3x3=9

Q.No.	Answer	Marks
37.	Answer with proper structure and required details can be awarded 3 marks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To : E-mail ID • Subject, Salutation, Content 	1 2
38.	Preparing a notice about a field visit to the nearby museum Format of the notice Date , Time and Venue Content	1 1 1

Q.No.	Answer	Marks
39.	Process of making a Cup of Tea: Any 3 meaningful sentences without mistakes Any 3 meaningful sentences with a few mistakes Sentences with many mistakes	3 2 1
40.	a. coat b. tools c. despair	1 1 1

Part - IV

Answer the following

7x5=35

Q.No	Answer	Marks
41 (a) or (b)	Content-(60%), Language, style and organization(40%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceptionally good paragraph • Correct answer with all points and no mistakes • Correct answer with a few mistakes • Answer with a few points and many mistakes 	5 4 3 2
42 (a) or (b)	Content-(60%), Language, style and organization(40%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceptionally good paragraph • Correct answer with all points and no mistakes • Correct answer with a few mistakes • Answer with a few points and many mistakes 	5 4 3 2
43 (a) or (b)	Content-(60%), Language, style and organization(40%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceptionally good paragraph • Correct answer with all points and no mistakes • Correct answer with a few mistakes • Answer with a few points and many mistakes 	5 4 3 2

Q.No	Answer	Marks
44 (a)	Write a summary or make notes of the following passage: Summarising: Rough Draft / Copy Suitable Title Fair Draft/Copy (An exceptional summary can be given maximum marks. Number of words in the Fair Draft may not be taken into account) Note Making : Title Sub-titles Keypoints under each sub-titles (OR) Build a dialogue with a minimum of five exchanges	1 1 3 1 2 2
(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five meaningful exchanges without mistakes. • Five meaningful exchanges with a few mistakes. • Five meaningful exchanges with many mistakes. • A few Exchanges with many mistakes. 	5 4 3 2
45 (a)	Maximum marks can be awarded for good response: From & To Salutation & Subscription Subject & Reference Body of the letter Bio-data (OR)	1 1 1 1 1
(b)	Write a letter to the Headmaster: Maximum marks can be awarded for good response Place and Date , Address Salutation and Subscription Body of the letter Address on the envelope	1 1 2 1

Q.No	Answer	Marks
46 (a)	i. paused , passed ii. some iii. ought to iv. or/or else/otherwise (or)	2 1 1 1
(b)	i. within / alphabet ii. was iii. Wordsworth is one of the greatest <u>poets</u> of the world. iv. Raju <u>has taken</u> half a day leave. (or) Raju <u>took</u> half a day leave. v. for	1 1 1 1 1
47(a)	i) Deltiologist is the term used for a person collecting post cards. ii) Rowland Hill proposed the idea of postage stamps. iii) The first postage stamp was circulated in 1840 in England iv. The ten rupees postage stamp depicting Mahatma Gandhi issued in 1948. v. Collecting postage stamps will give a great opportunity to gain knowledge of different countries, plants, animals or famous people that they are in the stamps. (or)	1 1 1 1 1
(b)	Paragraph on “ Students and Social Service ” Content-(60%),Language,style and organization(40%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceptionally good paragraph • Correct answer with all points and no mistakes • Correct answer with a few mistakes • Answer with a few points and many mistakes 	5 4 3 2