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**PART I - 1 MARK QUESTIONS****Q.No. 1 to 3 - SYNONYMS**

**Choose the appropriate synonym for the italicised words.**

**So far in the Exams**

1. The young bird kept calling her mother *plaintively*. (April 23, Sep 21)  
a. happily                      b. sadly                      c. rigorously                      d. vainly
2. Mr. Sanyal stood up with eyes *dilated* and began to recite a poem by Tagore. (April 23)  
a. closed                      b. moved                      c. widened                      d. shrunk
3. The doors and drawers were *yanked* open. (April 23)  
a. pushed                      b. pulled                      c. fixed                      d. repulsed
4. How he loved to tear the food that way, scraping his beak now and again to *whet* it. (Aug 22, PTA 3)  
a. dull                      b. bright                      c. sharpen                      d. cut
5. The owner of the tea shop, now over sixty, a little *rustic* appearance. (Aug 22, Sep 21)  
a. typical                      b. soft                      c. shabby                      d. neat
6. India's disabled are deprived of attitudinal barriers as they continue to *grapple* with the challenges of access, acceptance and inclusion. (Aug 22, PTA 1)  
a. calm                      b. fight                      c. anger                      d. stare
7. It is a 55-foot sailing vessel built *indigenously* in India. (May 22, Model 19)  
a. fully                      b. collectively                      c. innately                      d. specially
8. Aditya and the narrator reached a point where the road *bifurcated*. (May 22, Sep 21)  
a. restrained                      b. combined                      c. divided into two                      d. conditioned
9. The great expanse of sea stretched down *beneath*. (May 22)  
a. inferior                      b. above                      c. below                      d. higher
10. His idea of going away, made me forget all about his ruler and how *cranky* he was. (Sep 20, PTA 2)  
a. normal                      b. strange                      c. abnormal                      d. happy
11. Navika Sagar Parikarma was a project undertaken in *consonance* with the National Policy. (Sep 20)  
a. connection                      b. agreement                      c. comparison                      d. arrangement
12. The little seagull even *gnawed* at the dried pieces of eggshell. (Sep 20)  
a. chewed                      b. cackled                      c. swallowed                      d. craved
13. The mother seagull *swooped* upwards. (Model 19)  
a. leap                      b. rush                      c. move very quickly                      d. ascend
14. The *attic* has always been favourite with children. (Model 19, PTA 4)  
a. loft                      b. terrace                      c. apartment                      d. strong room
15. It was the *gaunt* face staring from the bed that brought chill to my heart. (PTA 1)  
a. fat                      b. round                      c. lean                      d. sad
16. When school began, there was a *bustle*. (PTA 1)  
a. rush                      b. change                      c. noise                      d. confusion
17. His parents circled around raising a proud *cackle*. (PTA 2)  
a. sharp noise                      b. blunt noise                      c. high pitch                      d. shout
18. Trying to *revive* old childhood memories may prove disappointing. (PTA 2)  
a. review                      b. revitalize                      c. restore                      d. rescue
19. The spoilt child of *affluent* parents. (PTA 3, 5)  
a. influenced                      b. wealthy                      c. happy                      d. poor
20. My *contention* was to make sure that we go by the rules. (PTA 3)  
a. continuous effort                      b. disturbed effort                      c. unhappy effort                      d. argument
21. He was *delirious*. (PTA 4)  
a. sick                      b. disappointed                      c. troubled                      d. forced
22. The whole family was laughing at his *cowardice*. (PTA 4)  
a. strength                      b. bravery                      c. courage                      d. timidity
23. World *renowned* physicist Stephen Hawking is the best example. (PTA 5)  
a. famous                      b. special                      c. unpopular                      d. unique
24. But something *choked* him. (PTA 5)  
a. praised                      b. blocked                      c. answered                      d. encouraged
25. The great *expanse* of sea stretched down beneath. (PTA 6)  
a. large space                      b. narrow space                      c. small space                      d. deep area

26. He said in a hopeless tone of a **despondent** beagle. (PTA 6)  
 a. angry                      b. affluent                      c. despairing                      d. strong
27. They were **apprehensive** and supportive too. (PTA 6)  
 a. confident                      b. inquisitive                      c. anxious                      d. special

**PROSE 1 - HIS FIRST FLIGHT**

1. But he kept calling **plaintively**.  
 a. sadly                      b. happily                      c. vainly                      d. badly
2. His father was **preening** the feathers on his white back.  
 a. gesturing                      b. scolding                      c. cleaning                      d. crying
3. His brothers and his sister ran to the **brink**.  
 a. bark                      b. sea                      c. water                      d. edge
4. He was scraping his beak now and again to **whet** it.  
 a. correct                      b. remove                      c. sharpen                      d. adjust
5. He even **gnawed** at the dried pieces of eggshell.  
 a. wanted                      b. chewed                      c. threw                      d. saw
6. The seagull's brother and sister were **dozing**.  
 a. shouting                      b. flying                      c. sleeping                      d. jumping
7. His parents circled around raising a proud **cackle**.  
 a. sharp noise                      b. blunt noise                      c. high pitch                      d. shout
8. The mother Seagull **swooped** upwards.  
 a. leap                      b. rush                      c. move very quickly                      d. ascend
9. He had seen his older brother catch his first herring and **devour** it.  
 a. swallow                      b. destroy                      c. dive                      d. seize
10. The seagull then **trotted** back and forth from one end of the ledge to the other.  
 a. crawl at a moderate pace                      b. run at a moderate pace  
 c. walk at a moderate pace                      d. creep at a moderate pace
11. His parents were calling to it **shrilly** and scolding it.  
 a. high pitched                      b. pleasant                      c. low pitched                      d. rough
12. The ledge ended in a sheer fall of **precipice** with the sea beneath.  
 a. steep cliff                      b. broad cliff                      c. plains                      d. valley
13. His siblings were **beckoning** to it and calling shrilly.  
 a. resting                      b. working                      c. relaxing                      d. gesturing
14. The young seagull failed to **muster up** courage.  
 a. relinquish                      b. surrender                      c. raise                      d. submit
15. The young seagull was **soaring** gradually downwards and outwards.  
 a. descending                      b. raising                      c. dropping                      d. falling
16. The great expanse of sea stretched down **beneath**, and it was such a long way down.  
 a. lofty                      b. above                      c. below                      d. higher
17. The young seagull was alone on his **ledge**.  
 a. trench                      b. cavity                      c. narrow shelf                      d. dent
18. He just felt a bit **dizzy**.  
 a. stable                      b. clever                      c. giddy                      d. sensible
19. His long gray legs were stepping **daintily**, trying to find some means of reaching.  
 a. carelessly                      b. delicately                      c. gracely                      d. safely
20. A monstrous terror **seized** him.  
 a. released                      b. captured                      c. freed                      d. jammed
21. The precipice was **sheer** farther away than the sea beneath him.  
 a. total                      b. moderate                      c. limit                      d. broken
22. The seagull's parents threatened to let him **starve** on his ledge.  
 a. deprive of food                      b. need of water                      c. need of courage                      d. satisfied
23. The mother seagull screamed back **mockingly**.  
 a. happily                      b. cheerfully                      c. sadly                      d. sarcastically
24. The sun was now ascending the sky, **blazing** warmly on his ledge.  
 a. darkening                      b. shining                      c. shady                      d. cloudy

25. The whole family was laughing at his **cowardice**.  
 a. strength                      b. courage                      c. bravery                      d. timidity
26. The great **expanse** of sea stretched down beneath, and it was such a long way down.  
 a. large space                      b. narrow space                      c. small space                      d. deep area
27. The sun was now **ascending** the sky.  
 a. descending                      b. rising                      c. decreasing                      d. timing
28. The young seagull was soaring **gradually** downwards and outwards.  
 a. slowly                      b. quickly                      c. politely                      d. lovingly
29. A **monstrous** terror seized the seagull and his heart stood still.  
 a. pleasant                      b. beautiful                      c. delightful                      d. frightful
30. The young seagull was in a **desperate** condition.  
 a. fearless                      b. fearful                      c. cowardly                      d. peaceful

**PROSE 2 - THE NIGHT THE GHOST GOT IN**

1. The ghost that got into our house on the night raised such a **hullabaloo** of misunderstandings.  
 a. tranquility                      b. stillness                      c. commotion                      d. calmness
2. Its advent ended up with my grandfather shooting a **patrolman**.  
 a. thief                      b. civilian                      c. police officer                      d. people
3. My grandfather was in the **attic**.  
 a. house                      b. hall                      c. hut                      d. loft
4. The **slamming** of the door aroused his mother.  
 a. shutting                      b. opening                      c. unlocking                      d. looking
5. 'Nothing', he said **gruffly**, but he was, in colour, a light green.  
 a. politely                      b. diplomatically                      c. sadly                      d. tactfully
6. 'Burglars!' she shouted **intuitively**.  
 a. strongly                      b. instinctively                      c. unnaturally                      d. artificially
7. She picked up a shoe and **whammed** it through a pane of glass.  
 a. struck patiently                      b. struck forcefully                      c. struck slowly                      d. struck politely
8. The cops put their shoulders to our big heavy front door with its thick **bevelled** glass.  
 a. diverging                      b. slopping edge                      c. straightening                      d. leveling
9. I could hear a **rending** of wood and a splash of glass on the floor.  
 a. closing                      b. opening                      c. wiping                      d. tearing
10. The doors were **yanked** open.  
 a. inserted                      b. installed                      c. pulled                      d. jammed
11. One of them found an old **zither** that Roy had won in a pool tournament.  
 a. flower                      b. fruit                      c. musical instrument                      d. vehicle
12. Our **guinea pig** used to sleep on it.  
 a. small rodent                      b. small cat                      c. small rabbit                      d. small dog
13. The lady seems **hysterical**.  
 a. unamusing                      b. ridiculous                      c. unfunny                      d. humourless
14. We all heard a **creaking** in the attic.  
 a. laughing                      b. crying                      c. biting                      d. squeaking
15. The **indignant** white-haired old man belonged to the house.  
 a. angry                      b. delight                      c. friendly                      d. pleasant
16. Grandfather grabbed zither's gun from its **holster**.  
 a. suit case                      b. brief case                      c. leather case                      d. travel bag
17. I told him he was a **deserter**.  
 a. follower                      b. rebel                      c. disciple                      d. loyalist
18. 'Open up!' cried a **hoarse** voice.  
 a. sweet                      b. soft                      c. gentle                      d. gruff
19. Flashlights shot **streaks** of gleam up and down the walls.  
 a. bundles                      b. stripes                      c. piles                      d. loads
20. She **peered** out of her room.  
 a. stared                      b. scanned                      c. dipped                      d. winked
21. The narrator's grandfather created **chaos**.  
 a. crowd                      b. chorus                      c. alone                      d. disorder

## Q. No. 4 to 6 - ANTONYMS

Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicised words.

**So far in the Exams**

1. I forgot all about Mr. Hamel's ruler and how *cranky* he was. (April 23)
  - a. unusual
  - b. familiar
  - c. unfamiliar
  - d. strange
2. I had counted on the *commotion* to get to my desk without being seen. (April 23, PTA 6)
  - a. confusion
  - b. disturbance
  - c. unrest
  - d. calmness
3. We witnessed the *bright* lights from the sea. (April 23)
  - a. famous
  - b. superb
  - c. night
  - d. dull
4. We can now look forward to a more inclusive way of learning, instead of the *cloistered* existence that most differently - abled learners had to face in the past. (Aug 22)
  - a. opened
  - b. enclosed
  - c. revealed
  - d. suppressed
5. He forgot all about his ruler and how *cranky* he was. (Aug 22)
  - a. unique
  - b. known
  - c. peculiar
  - d. strange
6. Navika Sagar Parikarma was a project undertaken in *consonance* with the National policy to empower women to attain their full potential. (Aug 22)
  - a. disagreement
  - b. actions
  - c. opinions
  - d. agreement
7. He could not rise, *exhausted* by the strange exercise. (May 22)
  - a. crippled
  - b. weakened
  - c. energetic
  - d. surprised
8. But it would have been *frustrating* and difficult. (May 22)
  - a. annoying
  - b. pleasing
  - c. disappointing
  - d. gigantic
9. I love it when people *appreciate* the food that I cook. (May 22)
  - a. dispose
  - b. judge
  - c. admire
  - d. despise
10. His father was *preening* the feathers. (Sep 21)
  - a. cleaning
  - b. clearing
  - c. dirtying
  - d. colouring
11. A portion of a wall of the attic had *crumbled* down. (Sep 21)
  - a. withered
  - b. attached
  - c. broken
  - d. taken
12. India's disabled are deprived by attitudinal barriers as they grapple with the challenges of acceptance and *inclusion*. (Sep 21)
  - a. addition
  - b. separation
  - c. diversion
  - d. adoption
13. Technology is a *boon* to citizens with special needs. (Sep 20)
  - a. bonus
  - b. bane
  - c. blast
  - d. block
14. They were the steps of a man walking *rapidly* around the dining table. (Sep 20)
  - a. timidity
  - b. silently
  - c. slowly
  - d. decently
15. What was the *selection* process? (Sep 20)
  - a. rejection
  - b. extension
  - c. termination
  - d. collection
16. She screamed back *mockingly*. (Model 19)
  - a. disrespectfully
  - b. ridiculously
  - c. jeeringly
  - d. respectfully
17. We don't have to use any means of *repulsion*. (Model 19)
  - a. attraction
  - b. distaste
  - c. hate
  - d. horror
18. I *indulged* in banking. (Model 19)
  - a. took part
  - b. participated
  - c. abstained
  - d. yielded
19. The project was undertaken in *consonance* with the National policy. (PTA 1)
  - a. agreement
  - b. constant
  - c. disagreement
  - d. harmony
20. The sun was *soothing*. (PTA 1)
  - a. pleasing
  - b. relaxing
  - c. disturbing
  - d. burning
21. She picked up a shoe and *whammed* it through the window. (PTA 1)
  - a. tapped
  - b. threw
  - c. struck
  - d. pulled
22. We look forward to a more inclusive way of learning instead of the *cloistered* existence. (PTA 2)
  - a. enclosed
  - b. detached
  - c. opened
  - d. united
23. 'Nothing' he said *gruffly*. (PTA 2)
  - a. happily
  - b. roughly
  - c. sadly
  - d. plainly
24. Boost the *morale* in the country. (PTA 2)
  - a. fear
  - b. attitude
  - c. mettle
  - d. confidence

25. The little man was **startled**. (PTA 3)  
 a. surprised                      b. excited                      c. saddened                      d. at ease
26. The birds were **chirping** at the end of the woods. (PTA 3)  
 a. singing                      b. shouting                      c. tweeting                      d. alarming
27. One can control the computer screen with a **gaze**. (PTA 3)  
 a. blink                      b. stare                      c. look                      d. trace
28. Then a monstrous terror **seized** him. (PTA 4)  
 a. released                      b. grasped                      c. snatched                      d. conquered
29. The light still shone **palely** down the stairs. (PTA 4)  
 a. dim                      b. weak                      c. bright                      d. faint
30. Those are the times we have to be **active**. (PTA 4)  
 a. dynamic                      b. lively                      c. energetic                      d. inactive
31. The sick room was a **gloomy** spot. (PTA 5)  
 a. dark                      b. dim                      c. dull                      d. bright
32. I am **glad** that we were able to finish it successfully. (PTA 5)  
 a. happy                      b. pleased                      c. sorry                      d. joyful
33. The cops were **reluctant** to leave without getting their hand. (PTA 5)  
 a. eager                      b. unwilling                      c. opposed                      d. averse
34. "How **ignorant** you are! Watson!" He said with a groan. (PTA 6)  
 a. illiterate                      b. uneducated                      c. well informed                      d. rude
35. So we can now look **forward** to a more inclusive way of learning. (PTA 6)  
 a. further                      b. ahead                      c. proceed                      d. backward

### PROSE 1 - HIS FIRST FLIGHT

1. He could not rise, **exhausted** by the strange exercise.  
 a. crippled                      b. weakened                      c. energetic                      d. surprised
2. His father was **preening** the feathers.  
 a. cleaning                      b. clearing                      c. dirtying                      d. colouring
3. As the young seagull passed **beneath** her, he heard the swish of her wings.  
 a. below                      b. above                      c. under                      d. beside
4. The sun was now **ascending** the sky.  
 a. descending                      b. rising                      c. awakening                      d. dropping
5. The seagull was scraping his beak now and again to **whet** it.  
 a. arouse                      b. sharpen                      c. grind                      d. blunt
6. His mother had **swooped** upwards.  
 a. stood                      b. walked                      c. crawled                      d. ascended
7. He even **gnawed** at the dried pieces of eggshell.  
 a. chewed                      b. constructed                      c. gulped                      d. annoyed
8. The seagull became **desperate** to gather the courage to fly.  
 a. hopeful                      b. frantic                      c. anxious                      d. panic
9. His family was screaming and **praising** him.  
 a. scolding                      b. appreciating                      c. cheering                      d. calling
10. But he kept calling **plaintively**.  
 a. happily                      b. sadly                      c. luckily                      d. fortunately
11. The young seagull was **afraid** to fly.  
 a. frightened                      b. fear                      c. timid                      d. courage
12. The young seagull had seen his older brother catch his first herring and **devour** it.  
 a. eat                      b. smell                      c. engulf                      d. spit
13. The young seagull failed to muster up the **courage** to fly.  
 a. bravery                      b. timid                      c. daring                      d. bold
14. His feet **sank** into the green sea.  
 a. immersed                      b. touched                      c. floated                      d. swooped
15. He uttered a **delightful** scream.  
 a. plentiful                      b. beautiful                      c. hopeful                      d. sorrowful
16. She screamed back **mockingly**.  
 a. ridiculously                      b. anxiously                      c. respectfully                      d. jeeringly



17. The young seagull was **soaring** gradually downwards and upwards.  
a. raising                      b. descending                      c. ascending                      d. climbing
18. She **screamed** back mockingly.  
a. low pitched sound      b. high pitched sound      c. shrieked                      d. yelled
19. The young seagull was soaring **gradually** downwards and upwards.  
a. slowly                      b. suddenly                      c. patiently                      d. politely
20. The young seagull was exhausted by the **strange** exercise.  
a. ordinary                      b. odd                      c. peculiar                      d. uncommon
21. Then a **monstrous** terror seized him.  
a. tiny                      b. large                      c. horrible                      d. terrible
22. He leaned out **eagerly**.  
a. interestingly                      b. willingly                      c. unwillingly                      d. earnestly
23. His heart stood **still**.  
a. moving                      b. immovable                      c. static                      d. stationary
24. The young seagull stepped slowly out to the **brink** of the ledge.  
a. middle                      b. high                      c. edge                      d. border
25. She was standing on a little high **hump** on the plateau, her white breast thrust forward.  
a. bang                      b. curve                      c. flat                      d. bulge
26. He was standing on one leg with the other leg **hidden** under his wing.  
a. visible                      b. concealed                      c. covered                      d. polished
27. The seagull's parents threatened to let him **starve** on the ledge.  
a. famished                      b. feed                      c. hunger                      d. dead
28. Then a monstrous terror **seized** him.  
a. released                      b. grasped                      c. conquered                      d. snatched
29. He then **trotted** back and forth from one end of the ledge to the other.  
a. jogged                      b. ran                      c. hurried                      d. stopped
30. His parents circled around raising a **proud** cackle.  
a. pride                      b. loud                      c. humble                      d. extreme

**PROSE 2 - THE NIGHT THE GHOST GOT IN**

1. They raised a lot of **hullabaloo**.  
a. commotion                      b. calmness                      c. noisy                      d. busy movement
2. 'Nothing,' he said **gruffly**.  
a. happily                      b. sadly                      c. beautifully                      d. attractively
3. The doors were **yanked** open.  
a. pulled                      b. pushed                      c. jammed                      d. inserted
4. Herman rushed to his room and **slammed** the door.  
a. closed                      b. locked                      c. opened                      d. sealed
5. A cop **cursed** and shot his hand to his shoulder.  
a. blessed                      b. scolded                      c. bit                      d. slapped
6. The lady seemed **hysterical**.  
a. mad                      b. senseless                      c. wise                      d. calm
7. The **indignant** old man belonged to the house.  
a. happy                      b. angry                      c. calm                      d. sad
8. They were the steps of a man walking **rapidly**.  
a. roughly                      b. quickly                      c. hurriedly                      d. slowly
9. She shouted **intuitively**.  
a. senselessly                      b. terribly                      c. sensibly                      d. immediately
10. She flung a shoe across the **narrow** spot.  
a. wide                      b. small                      c. high                      d. tiny
11. 'Open up!' cried a **hoarse** voice.  
a. gruff                      b. rough                      c. hard                      d. gentle
12. She **whammed** a shoe through a pane of glass.  
a. struck politely                      b. struck forcefully                      c. struck rapidly                      d. struck fast
13. She **peered** out of her room.  
a. closed                      b. opened                      c. looked                      d. stared

25. It is deadly and **contagious** disease.  
 a. deadly                      b. spreading                      c. harmless                      d. infectious
26. His eyes had the brightness of fever and cheeks were **flushed**.  
 a. pale                      b. blushing                      c. glowing                      d. elated
27. I was **horrified**.  
 a. frightened                      b. shocked                      c. relaxed                      d. trembled
28. I was **hesitant** to leave him now.  
 a. definite                      b. doubtful                      c. reluctant                      d. afraid
29. Sherlock Holmes lay **listless**.  
 a. drowsy                      b. dull                      c. lifeless                      d. energetic
30. I sat in silent **dejection**.  
 a. dejection                      b. sadness                      c. melancholy                      d. happiness

**Q. No. 7 - SINGULAR & PLURAL FORMS**

**So far in the Exams**

1. Choose the correct plural form of 'formula' from the following. (April 23)  
 a. formulae                      b. formulas                      c. formii                      d. formules
2. Choose the correct plural form of 'furniture' from the following. (Aug 22)  
 a. furnitures                      b. furniturs                      c. furniture                      d. furnituries
3. Choose the correct plural form of 'deer' from the following. (May 22)  
 a. deers                      b. dears                      c. deer                      d. deeres
4. Choose the correct plural form of 'accessory' from the following. (Sep 21)  
 a. accessorys                      b. accessories                      c. accessoryes                      d. accessoris
5. Choose the correct plural form of 'loaf' from the following. (Sep 20, PTA 1)  
 a. loafs                      b. loaves                      c. loavs                      d. loafes
6. Choose the correct plural form of 'alga' from the following. (Model 19)  
 a. algum                      b. algi                      c. algae                      d. algas
7. Choose the correct plural form of 'lorry' from the following. (PTA 2)  
 a. lorrys                      b. lorry                      c. lories                      d. lorries
8. Choose the correct plural form of 'child' from the following. (PTA 3)  
 a. childs                      b. childrens                      c. childes                      d. children
9. Choose the correct plural form of 'syllabus' from the following. (PTA 4)  
 a. syllables                      b. syllabus                      c. syllabi                      d. syllabii
10. Choose the correct plural form of 'alumnus' from the following. (PTA 5)  
 a. alumna                      b. alumnae                      c. alumni                      d. alumnuses
11. Choose the correct plural form of 'alumna' from the following. (PTA 6)  
 a. alumna                      b. alumnae                      c. alumni                      d. alumnuses

**Textual Practice**

1. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'chair'.  
 a. chairs                      b. chair                      c. chaires                      d. chairis
2. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'box'.  
 a. boxes                      b. boxies                      c. box                      d. boxen
3. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'eskimo'.  
 a. eskimoss                      b. eskimos                      c. eskimoes                      d. eskimois
4. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'lady'.  
 a. ladiies                      b. ladyes                      c. ladies                      d. ladeis
5. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'radius'.  
 a. radius                      b. radiuii                      c. radiuses                      d. radii
6. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'formula'.  
 a. formulas                      b. formula                      c. formulae                      d. formulaa

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7. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'child'.  
a. childes                      b. children                      c. childs                      d. child
8. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'deer'.  
a. deeries                      b. deeres                      c. deer                      d. deers
9. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'loaf'.  
a. loaves                      b. loafs                      c. loafes                      d. loafies
10. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'hero'.  
a. hero                      b. heros                      c. heroes                      d. herois
11. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'leaf'.  
a. leaves                      b. leafes                      c. leafs                      d. leaf
12. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'lorry'.  
a. lorryes                      b. lorrys                      c. lorries                      d. lorry
13. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'bat'.  
a. bat                      b. bats                      c. batis                      d. bates
14. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'clock'.  
a. clock                      b. clockes                      c. clocks                      d. clockis
15. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'table'.  
a. table                      b. tables                      c. tabli                      d. tablus
16. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'lamp'.  
a. lamp                      b. lampes                      c. lamps                      d. lampis
17. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'doll'.  
a. dolls                      b. doll                      c. dolles                      d. dollis
18. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'biscuit'.  
a. biscuit                      b. biscuits                      c. biscuites                      d. biscuitus
19. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'knife'.  
a. knife                      b. knives                      c. knives                      d. knive

**Additional Practice**

1. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'alumnus'.  
a. alumna                      b. alumnae                      c. alumni                      d. alumnuses
2. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'mosquito'.  
a. mosquitos                      b. mosquitoes                      c. mosquitoe                      d. mosquito
3. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'datum'.  
a. datas                      b. datums                      c. dati                      d. data
4. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'vertebra'.  
a. vertebrae                      b. vertebraes                      c. vertebrae                      d. vertebran
5. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'deity'.  
a. deities                      b. deity                      c. deitys                      d. deities
6. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'cloth'.  
a. cloth                      b. cloths                      c. clothes                      d. clothies
7. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'subscriber'.  
a. subscribers                      b. subscriber                      c. subscribes                      d. subscribes
8. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'bureau'.  
a. bureau                      b. bureaux                      c. bureauxes                      d. bureauous
9. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'diagnosis'.  
a. diagnoses                      b. diagnosises                      c. diagnosis                      d. diagnosis
10. Choose the correct plural form of 'vita'.  
a. vitas                      b. vitae                      c. vitis                      d. vites
11. Choose the correct plural form of 'octopus' from the following.  
a. octopuses                      b. octopus                      c. octopi                      d. octopies
12. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'quiz'.  
a. quiz                      b. quizzes                      c. quizzes                      d. quizzies
13. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'syllabus'.  
a. syllabi                      b. syllabuses                      c. syllabus                      d. syllabii

14. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'louse'.  
a. lice                      b. lousies                      c. louse                      d. louses
15. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'wretch'.  
a. wretch                      b. wretches                      c. wretchs                      d. wretchies
16. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'life'.  
a. life                      b. lifes                      c. lives                      d. live
17. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'plateau'.  
a. plateaues                      b. plateauies                      c. plateaus                      d. plateau
18. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'belly'.  
a. bellyes                      b. belly                      c. bellys                      d. bellies
19. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'aquarium'.  
a. aquarii                      b. aquarias                      c. aquaria                      d. aquarium
20. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'stratum'.  
a. stratums                      b. strata                      c. stratumis                      d. stratumes
21. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'larva'.  
a. larvae                      b. larvaes                      c. larva                      d. larvas
22. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'millennium'.  
a. millennius                      b. millennia                      c. millennium                      d. millenniums
23. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'premises'.  
a. premise                      b. premises                      c. premisis                      d. premisus
24. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'dwarf'.  
a. dwarfs                      b. dwarf                      c. dwarves                      d. dwarfes
25. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'genie'.  
a. genie                      b. genii                      c. genies                      d. genises
26. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'enemy'.  
a. enemy                      b. enemys                      c. enemies                      d. enemy
27. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'house'.  
a. house                      b. houses                      c. housous                      d. housii
28. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'window'.  
a. windows                      b. window                      c. windowes                      d. windowis
29. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'burglar'.  
a. burglar                      b. burglars                      c. burglares                      d. burglaris
30. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'shelf'.  
a. shelf                      b. shelves                      c. shelfes                      d. shelves

### Extra Practice

#### I. Find out the plural form for the following singular words.

- |               |            |               |
|---------------|------------|---------------|
| 1. curriculum | 8. matrix  | 15. tooth     |
| 2. phenomenon | 9. army    | 16. mouse     |
| 3. alumnus    | 10. class  | 17. boy       |
| 4. formula    | 11. brush  | 18. policeman |
| 5. knife      | 12. box    | 19. woman     |
| 6. calf       | 13. church | 20. foot      |
| 7. index      | 14. mango  |               |

#### II. Find out the plural form for the following singular words.

- |               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| 1. corps      | 9. shorts   |
| 2. news       | 10. innings |
| 3. species    | 11. means   |
| 4. spectacles | 12. series  |
| 5. trousers   | 13. police  |
| 6. pants      | 14. staff   |
| 7. scissors   | 15. food    |
| 8. sunglasses |             |

#### III. Find the plural form for the following singular words.

- |               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. aircraft   | 9. swine        |
| 2. furniture  | 10. fish        |
| 3. luggage    | 11. advice      |
| 4. scenery    | 12. vacation    |
| 5. stationery | 13. information |
| 6. sheep      | 14. equipment   |
| 7. deer       | 15. rice        |
| 8. cattle     |                 |

**10. ii) IDIOMS****So far in the Exams**

- Choose the appropriate meaning for the given idiom 'over the moon'. (Sep 21)
  - extremely agile
  - extremely happy
  - extremely visible
  - extremely attentive
- Choose the correct idiom that means 'competent'. (PTA 4)
  - on the go
  - on the ball
  - on the wind
  - on strong waters
- Choose the correct idiom that means 'difficult situation'. (PTA 5)
  - on the go
  - on the ball
  - on the wind
  - in deep waters
- Choose the correct meaning of the idiom in the following sentence. (PTA 6)  
Afsar goes to the park 'once in a blue moon'.
  - a regular occasion
  - a rare event
  - a casual event
  - an unusual moment

**Textual Practice**

- Choose the correct idiom that means 'competent'.
  - on the go
  - on the ball
  - on the wind
  - on strong waters
- Choose the correct idiom that means 'becomes more confident in expressing oneself'.
  - find one's voice
  - over the moon
  - lend an ears
  - sharp as a tack
- Choose the correct idiom that means 'extremely happy'.
  - over the moon
  - on the ball
  - cats and dogs
  - on strong waters
- Choose the correct idiom that means 'mentally agile'.
  - on the go
  - sharp as a tack
  - over the moon
  - lend an ears
- Choose the correct idiom that means 'listen'.
  - over the moon
  - lend an ears
  - on the wind
  - on the ball

**Additional Practice****Choose the correct meaning for the idiom found in the following sentences.**

- Even at the age of 90, my grandmother is 'in the pink'.
  - in bad health
  - very weak
  - vulnerable
  - healthy
- The match was cancelled as it was 'raining cats and dogs'.
  - no rain
  - fight of dogs and cats
  - rain heavily
  - heavy smoke
- The public exam is nearing and the students are getting 'cold feet'.
  - hopeful
  - relaxed
  - nervous
  - peaceful
- We play cricket 'once in a blue moon'.
  - frequently
  - generally
  - very rarely
  - continuously
- The mischievous student was 'caught red-handed'.
  - find someone in the act of doing something wrong
  - find someone red
  - find someone beautiful
  - someone very attractive
- The report gives an excellent 'bird's-eye view' of the new project.
  - half view
  - general view
  - disturbing view
  - ugly view
- The leader is trying 'to bridge the gap' between the two political parties.
  - increase the difference
  - reduce the difference
  - postpone the difference
  - start a problem
- Raju is very thin but he 'eats like a horse'.
  - eat very little food
  - eat no food
  - eat a horse
  - eat a lot of food
- Teaching English grammar is 'my cup of tea'.
  - a dangerous activity
  - a boring activity
  - a favourite activity
  - a risky activity
- Cancer can be 'nipped in the bud'.
  - beautify
  - prolong
  - continue till the end
  - put an end in initial stage
- My son is 'the apple of my eye'.
  - costly
  - very dear
  - fruitful
  - expensive
- Ramya is in 'a tight corner'.
  - joyful state
  - successful
  - a difficult situation
  - tight schedule
- Usually students 'burn the midnight oil' before the public exams.
  - sleep well
  - switch off lights
  - buy oil
  - study until late at night
- It is time to announce the winners and 'call a spade a spade'.
  - talk frankly
  - hide the truth
  - tell a lie
  - purchase a spade
- Ananya was 'on cloud nine' when she got the first rank.
  - remain alert
  - be in difficult situation
  - be very happy
  - in a confused state

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16. The captain gave the player 'a piece of his mind' for not hitting the winning run.  
a. appreciated      b. praised      c. encouraged      d. scolded
17. Yogash is 'the black sheep' of the family.  
a. genuine      b. bad and worthless      c. generous      d. beautiful
18. The day I got the appointment order is 'a red letter day' for me.  
a. bad day      b. special and happy day      c. sad day      d. useless day
19. I hate people who are always 'blowing their own trumpet'.  
a. play nice music      b. play trumpet well      c. talk boastfully      d. talk less
20. Abinav is always 'in high spirits'.  
a. upset      b. dejected      c. extremely happy      d. dull
21. 'Eleventh hour' preparation will not help the students.  
a. till 11 p.m.      b. at the last moment      c. much in advance      d. late at night
22. His name is 'under cloud' for the theft case.  
a. on suspicion      b. convicted      c. acquitted      d. not in the list
23. Mano is 'down-to-earth' man.  
a. difficult      b. practical      c. rare      d. useful
24. The examinations are 'round the corner'.  
a. not to be avoided      b. not in the near future      c. very near      d. to be postponed
25. Our headmistress announced a holiday and it was like 'the icing on the cake'.  
a. some disturbing events      b. something extra added to make it even better  
c. some unwanted things      d. something horrible
26. Due to financial problem, the company is 'in a pretty pickle'.  
a. in a difficult situation      b. in a pleasant situation      c. in good position      d. in wealth position
27. The old man's search for a treasure was 'a wild goose chase'.  
a. useless search      b. successful search      c. timely search      d. useful search
28. Raja tried hard to get rid of his 'yellow streak'.  
a. colourful nature      b. inborn guts      c. cowardice in one's character      d. very brave
29. The survey about road accidents really 'hit the nail on the head'.  
a. say false things      b. say correct things      c. say untrue things      d. say unwanted things
30. We need 'to bury the hatchet'.  
a. bury the hen      b. buy chicken      c. start a quarrel      d. end a quarrel

**Extra Practice****Choose the right meaning of the idiom.**

- |                               |                     |                          |                    |                           |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. spill the beans            | a. tell a secret    | b. hide a secret         | c. avoid a secret  | d. cut the beans          |
| 2. hit the sack               | a. wake up          | b. tie a sack            | c. go to sleep     | d. go on a picnic         |
| 3. break a leg                | a. good luck        | b. fracture leg          | c. break your leg  | d. break rules            |
| 4. at sea                     | a. crystal clear    | b. well planned          | c. well organized  | d. confused               |
| 5. flesh and blood            | a. human nature     | b. animal instinct       | c. horror          | d. hunger                 |
| 6. the Herculean task         | a. easy task        | b. simple task           | c. small task      | d. great task             |
| 7. under the weather          | a. healthy          | b. sick                  | c. confident       | d. wonderful              |
| 8. see eye to eye             | a. fail to see      | b. see an eye doctor     | c. agree           | d. disagree               |
| 9. let the cat out of the bag | a. hide a secret    | b. see the cat           | c. reveal a secret | d. let the cat go         |
| 10. a piece of cake           | a. very difficult   | b. very tough            | c. very tasty      | d. very easy              |
| 11. a fish out of water       | a. relaxed          | b. comfortable           | c. uncomfortable   | d. wet                    |
| 12. crocodile tears           | a. false tears      | b. true tears            | c. very upset      | d. feel grief             |
| 13. with flying colours       | a. see many colours | b. see beautiful colours | c. fly freely      | d. done very well         |
| 14. turn a deaf ear           | a. accept           | b. ignore                | c. rotate          | d. follow                 |
| 15. fair and square           | a. dishonestly      | b. honestly              | c. cheaply         | d. unfairly               |
| 16. in black and white        | a. spoken           | b. in writing            | c. in black dress  | d. in white dress         |
| 17. face the music            | a. be happy         | b. face the singer       | c. listen to music | d. accept reality         |
| 18. go the extra mile         | a. do less work     | b. do extra work         | c. do nothing      | d. do little work         |
| 19. square off                | a. take rest        | b. sleep well            | c. succeeded       | d. prepare for a conflict |
| 20. have the blues            | a. extremely happy  | b. like blue colour      | c. feel sad        | d. have more money        |
| 21. save one's skin           | a. protect          | b. punish                | c. peel            | d. push                   |
| 22. go to grave               | a. be happy         | b. be sad                | c. enter the world | d. exit the world         |

36. \_\_\_\_\_ her poverty, she is always neat.  
a. In spite of                      b. By dint of                      c. In front of                      d. Because of
37. Many students like her \_\_\_\_\_ her simplicity.  
a. despite                      b. because of                      c. on account of                      d. for the sake of
38. She gets on with everyone \_\_\_\_\_ age and gender in the school.  
a. except for                      b. on top of                      c. regardless of                      d. instead of
39. \_\_\_\_\_ the teachers, Joel is a disciplined student.  
a. Owing to                      b. According to                      c. In favour of                      d. Proud of
40. \_\_\_\_\_ taking leave, she ensures that she completes the work given before she goes to school next day.  
a. In case of                      b. Owing to                      c. Apart from                      d. In favour of

**Q. No. 13 - TENSES**

**So far in the Exams**

**Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below.**

1. My parents \_\_\_\_\_ (return) from New York next month. (April 23)  
a. will return                      b. are returning                      c. will have returned                      d. will have been returning
2. If I were a bird, I \_\_\_\_\_ around the world. (Aug 22)  
a. would have flown                      b. would fly                      c. flew                      d. can fly
3. If I were a millionaire, I \_\_\_\_\_ the needy. (May 22)  
a. would help                      b. would have helped                      c. will help                      d. can help
4. If he \_\_\_\_\_ her, she would have waited for him. (Sep 20)  
a. has informed                      b. informed                      c. had informed                      d. was informing
5. After he \_\_\_\_\_ his lunch, he went across to the window. (Model 19)  
a. will finish                      b. finish                      c. was finishing                      d. had finished
6. The governor was \_\_\_\_\_ at the wit of the youth. (PTA 1)  
a. pleases                      b. pleasing                      c. pleased                      d. please
7. The medal \_\_\_\_\_ in the attic for 29 years. (PTA 2)  
a. hide                      b. hidden                      c. had hidden                      d. had been hidden
8. I wish most of all to \_\_\_\_\_ home to my family. (PTA 3)  
a. returned                      b. returning                      c. return                      d. has returned
9. He \_\_\_\_\_ to the American academy of arts and letters. (PTA 4)  
a. elected                      b. was elected                      c. electing                      d. has elected
10. We \_\_\_\_\_ in the kitchen when the doorbell rang. (PTA 5)  
a. cooking                      b. were cooking                      c. had cooked                      d. cooked
11. The poem \_\_\_\_\_ about the multifaceted nature of women. (PTA 6)  
a. is talking                      b. talked                      c. talks                      d. has talked

**Textual Practice**

1. Saravanan always \_\_\_\_\_ for a walk in the morning.  
a. go                      b. goes                      c. went                      d. has gone
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ here for a meeting and the chair person is yet to arrive.  
a. gathers                      b. gathered                      c. have gathered                      d. gather
3. Arun \_\_\_\_\_ eagerly \_\_\_\_\_ to meet her friend since morning.  
a. are waiting                      b. is waiting                      c. has been waiting                      d. have been waiting
4. Sheeba \_\_\_\_\_ to a new house next week.  
a. move                      b. has moved                      c. is moving                      d. moved
5. Naseera \_\_\_\_\_ music classes regularly.  
a. attend                      b. attends                      c. is attending                      d. attended
6. Ilakiya and Adhira \_\_\_\_\_ each other's company very much.  
a. enjoys                      b. enjoy                      c. enjoyed                      d. are enjoying
7. Mani \_\_\_\_\_ in this school for five years.  
a. has been working                      b. have been working                      c. is working                      d. works
8. It \_\_\_\_\_ outside now.  
a. pours                      b. pour                      c. poured                      d. is pouring

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9. I \_\_\_\_\_ since morning.  
a. has sung                      b. has been singing                      c. have sung                      d. have been singing
10. I \_\_\_\_\_ already \_\_\_\_\_  
a. had sung                      b. has sung                      c. have been sung                      d. has been sung
11. You \_\_\_\_\_ when I was playing.  
a. are working                      b. were working                      c. is working                      d. was working
12. He \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday.  
a. study                      b. studies                      c. studied                      d. is study
13. I \_\_\_\_\_ to her place yesterday.  
a. go                      b. went                      c. has gone                      d. goes
14. The children \_\_\_\_\_ in the ground when the teacher arrived.  
a. was playing                      b. is playing                      c. were playing                      d. are playing
15. They \_\_\_\_\_ with him when the manager arrived.  
a. was talking                      b. were talking                      c. is talking                      d. are talking
16. If you \_\_\_\_\_ hard, you would have won the relay match.  
a. had worked                      b. works                      c. have been working                      d. work
17. Joanna and Joy \_\_\_\_\_ already \_\_\_\_\_ for Ooty when the others reached the station.  
a. has, left                      b. has been, left                      c. had, left                      d. is, leaving
18. We all \_\_\_\_\_ in the choir last week.  
a. sing                      b. sings                      c. sang                      d. has sung
19. Nancy \_\_\_\_\_ always \_\_\_\_\_ for help.  
a. was, ask                      b. is, asking                      c. were, asking                      d. are, asking
20. I \_\_\_\_\_ to school tomorrow.  
a. will come                      b. am coming                      c. comes                      d. came
21. I \_\_\_\_\_ by this time tomorrow.  
a. was learning                      b. will learning                      c. will be learning                      d. am learning
22. We \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_ to the market, in case it rains.  
a. would go                      b. have gone                      c. will go                      d. are go
23. Keerthi \_\_\_\_\_ his work by next week.  
a. will have done                      b. will be done                      c. will be doing                      d. has been doing
24. I \_\_\_\_\_ to my sister's house next April if I go to Uttarkhand.  
a. go                      b. will go                      c. is going                      d. goes
25. If you listen carefully, you \_\_\_\_\_ my point.  
a. understand                      b. understands                      c. will understand                      d. understood
26. By next year, I \_\_\_\_\_ in Chennai for fifteen years.  
a. have living                      b. have been living                      c. am living                      d. live
27. The new edition of this book \_\_\_\_\_ out shortly.  
a. comes                      b. will come                      c. is coming                      d. has come
28. She hopes you \_\_\_\_\_ her.  
a. will help                      b. helps                      c. were helped                      d. are helping
29. The Moon \_\_\_\_\_ around the Earth.  
a. revolve                      b. revolves                      c. is revolving                      d. was revolving
30. I \_\_\_\_\_ ill for a couple of days.  
a. was                      b. has been                      c. have been                      d. am
31. If she works hard, she \_\_\_\_\_ a scholarship.  
a. gets                      b. will get                      c. got                      d. had got
32. She \_\_\_\_\_ when the guests arrived.  
a. cooks                      b. cooking                      c. has cook                      d. was cooking
33. The peon \_\_\_\_\_ the bell by the time I reach the school.  
a. will ring                      b. will have rung                      c. will be ringing                      d. rings
34. He \_\_\_\_\_ your massages last night.  
a. will receive                      b. received                      c. receives                      d. has received
35. The people \_\_\_\_\_ for the train.  
a. waits                      b. will have wait                      c. had wait                      d. waited
36. His mother \_\_\_\_\_ as a software engineer in an MNC.  
a. working                      b. works                      c. have worked                      d. work



26. \_\_\_\_\_ he is weak, he cannot do the work.  
a. Even though      b. As      c. Yet      d. So
27. I will help you \_\_\_\_\_ I am very tired.  
a. as      b. still      c. that      d. though
28. We both love \_\_\_\_\_ honour Dhoni.  
a. but      b. and      c. so      d. therefore
29. Man proposes \_\_\_\_\_ God disposes.  
a. and      b. but      c. though      d. that
30. He apologized \_\_\_\_\_ promised that he would not repeat his mistake.  
a. since      b. and      c. so      d. although
31. This is \_\_\_\_\_ it must be done.  
a. when      b. what      c. how      d. and so
32. The vendor saw the train moving slowly from the platform, \_\_\_\_\_ he got in.  
a. therefore      b. until      c. still      d. so that
33. I was not well, \_\_\_\_\_ I did not attend the class.  
a. though      b. but      c. yet      d. so
34. \_\_\_\_\_ the ball hit the glass window, the owner of the house warned the children.  
a. If      b. That      c. When      d. Unless
35. Be quick to hear \_\_\_\_\_ slow to speak.  
a. then      b. and      c. after      d. since

### PART II - 2 MARK QUESTIONS

#### SECTION - 1 : Q. No. 15 to 18 - PROSE SHORT QUESTIONS

#### 1. HIS FIRST FLIGHT

**Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.**

#### Text in Questions

1. Why did the seagull fail to fly? (May 22)
2. What did the parents do, when the young seagull failed to fly?
3. What was the first catch of the young seagull's older brother? (PTA 5)
4. What did the young seagull manage to find in his search for food on the ledge?
5. What did the young bird do to seek the attention of his parents? (Sep 21)
6. What made the young seagull go mad? (April 23)
7. Why did the young bird utter a joyful scream?
8. Did the mother bird offer any food to the young bird? (Aug 22)
9. How did the bird feel when it started flying for the first time?
10. What did the young bird's family do when he started flying?

#### Book Back Questions

1. How was the young seagull's first attempt to fly? (PTA 2)
2. How did the parents support and encourage the young seagull's brothers and sister? (PTA 4, 5)
3. Give an instance that shows the pathetic condition of the young bird.
4. How did the bird try to reach its parents without having to fly?
5. Do you think that the young seagull's parents were harsh to him? Why?
6. What prompted the young seagull to fly finally? (PTA 1, Model 19)
7. What happened to the young seagull when it landed on the green sea?

#### 2. THE NIGHT THE GHOST GOT IN

#### Text in Questions

1. Where was the author when he heard the noise?
2. What did the narrator think the unusual sound was?
3. What were the various sounds the brothers heard when they went downstairs?
4. Who were the narrator's neighbours?
5. How did the Bodwells react, when a shoe was thrown into their house?
6. What did the Bodwells think when they heard the mother shout?
7. What was the grandfather wearing?

8. M. Hamel was gazing at many things. What were they?
9. When and how did M. Hamel bid farewell to the class? (PTA 3)

### **7. THE DYING DETECTIVE**

#### **Text in Questions**

1. How did Watson feel when he heard of Holmes' illness?
2. Why didn't the landlady call the doctor? (PTA 6)
3. What was the condition of Holmes when Watson saw him?
4. According to Holmes what was the disease he was suffering from?
5. Who did Watson see when he entered the room?
6. What were the instructions given by Holmes to Watson?
7. Why did Holmes plead with Smith? (PTA 5)
8. Who was responsible for Victor Savage's death? What was the evidence for it?
9. What explanation did Holmes give for speaking rudely to Watson?
10. How was Holmes able to look sick? (April 23)

#### **Book Back Questions**

1. Who was Mrs. Hudson? Why was she worried?
2. Why didn't Holmes let Watson examine him? (PTA 3)
3. Why did Holmes warn Watson against touching his things? What was Watson's reaction?
4. What did Watson find on the table near the mantelpiece?
5. Who is Mr. Culverton Smith?
6. What did Holmes ask Watson to do before leaving his room?
7. What instructions did Holmes give Watson to get Mr. Smith?
8. Why did Holmes want Smith to treat him?
9. According to Smith how did Holmes get the disease?
10. Who arrested Smith? What were the charges against him? (Sep 20, PTA 1)

### **SECTION - 2 : Q.NO. 19 to 22 - POEM APPRECIATION QUESTIONS**

#### **1. LIFE**

**Read the following set of poetic lines and answer any three of the following.**

#### **Textual Practice**

1. **Let me but live my life from year to year, / With forward face and unreluctant soul;**
  - a. Whom does the word 'me' refer to? (Aug 22, May 22, PTA 2, 4, 5)
  - b. What kind of life does the poet want to lead? (Aug 22, May 22, PTA 2, 4)
2. **Not hurrying to, nor turning from the goal; / Not mourning for the things that disappear**
  - a. Why do you think the poet is not in a hurry? (Aug 22, Sep 21)
  - b. What should one not mourn for? (Aug 22, Sep 21)
3. **In the dim past, nor holding back in fear / From what the future veils; but with a whole  
And happy heart, that pays its toll / To Youth and Age, and travels on with cheer.**
  - a. What does the poet mean by the phrase 'in the dim past'? (PTA 6)
  - b. Is the poet afraid of future? (PTA 6)
  - c. How can one travel on with cheer?
4. **So let the way wind up the hill or down, / O'er rough or smooth, the journey will be joy:  
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy, / New friendship, high adventure, and a crown,**
  - a. How is the way of life?
  - b. How should be the journey of life?
  - c. What did the poet seek as a boy?
5. **My heart will keep the courage of the quest, / And hope the road's last turn will be the best.**
  - a. What kind of quest does the poet seek here? (April 23, Sep 20)
  - b. What is the poet's hope? (April 23, Sep 20)

**Additional Practice**

1. **Let me but live my life from year to year,  
With forward face and unreluctant soul;  
Not hurrying to, nor turning from the goal;  
Not mourning for the things that disappear**
  - a. How does the poet want to live his life? (PTA 5)
  - b. Is the poet in a hurry?
  - c. Whose unreluctant soul is referred to here?
  - d. What is meant by 'mourning'?
  - e. What does the phrase 'unreluctant soul' mean?
2. **In the dim past, nor holding back in fear  
From what the future veils; but with a whole  
And happy heart, that pays its toll  
To Youth and Age, and travels on with cheer.**
  - a. What does the word 'veil' mean here?
  - b. How should we keep our heart?
  - c. Is the poet happy in his life?
  - d. How does the poet travel from his youth to age?
3. **So let the way wind up the hill or down,  
O'er rough or smooth, the journey will be joy:  
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy,  
New friendship, high adventure, and a crown,**
  - a. Pick out the opposite words from these lines.
  - b. Is our life always smooth?
  - c. Whom does the word 'I' refer to?
  - d. What does the word 'crown' mean here?
4. **My heart will keep the courage of the quest, / And hope the road's last turn will be the best.**
  - a. Whose heart is referred to here?
  - b. What does the word 'quest' mean?
  - c. What does the poet's heart keep in his life?
  - d. Is the poet hopeful about the future?
  - e. What does the phrase "the road's last turn" refer to here?

**2. THE GRUMBLE FAMILY****Textual Practice**

1. **There's a family nobody likes to meet; / They live, it is said, on Complaining Street**
  - a. Where does the family live? (April 23, PTA 1, 4, 5)
  - b. Why do you think the street is named as 'Complaining Street'? (April 23, PTA 1, 4, 5)
2. **They growl at that and they growl at this; / Whatever comes, there is something amiss;**
  - a. What does the word 'growl' mean here?
  - b. Why do they find everything amiss?
3. **Nothing goes right with the folks you meet / Down on that gloomy Complaining Street.**
  - a. What is the opinion about the folks you meet down the street? (PTA 3, 6)
  - b. What does the word 'gloomy' mean here? (PTA 3, 6)
4. **The worst thing is that if anyone stays / Among them too long, he will learn their ways;**
  - a. What is the worst thing that can happen if anyone stays with them?
  - b. What are the ways of the Grumble family?
5. **And so it were wisest to keep our feet / From wandering into Complaining Street;**
  - a. What is the wisest thing that the poet suggests?
  - b. What does the phrase 'to keep our feet wandering' refer to?
6. **Let us learn to walk with a smile and a song, / No matter if things do sometimes go wrong;**
  - a. What does the poet expect everyone to learn? (Model 19)
  - b. What should we do when things go wrong sometimes? (Model 19)

**Additional Practice**

1. **There's a family nobody likes to meet;  
They live, it is said, on Complaining Street  
In the city of Never-Are Satisfied,  
The River of Discontent beside.**
  - a. Does anyone like to meet the family?
  - b. In which city does the family live?
  - c. Why is the city called Never-Are Satisfied?
  - d. What is the name of the river mentioned here?
2. **They growl at that and they growl at this;  
Whatever comes, there is something amiss;  
And whether their station be high or humble,  
They are all known by the name of Grumble.**
  - a. Name the opposite words used in these lines.
  - b. What is the status of the family?
  - c. What is the family known by?
  - d. What does the word 'humble' refer to?

2. **At night the house seems to be alive, / Lights flicker on and off.  
I am often tempted to go to the house, / To just take a look and see what it is really about,  
But fear takes over me.**
- a. When does the house seem to be alive?  
c. Whom does the word 'I' refer to?  
e. Why does the poet want to go to the house?  
g. What takes over the poet?
- b. When does the light flicker on and off?  
d. Who is tempted to go to the house?  
f. Has the poet entered the house at night?
3. **I drive past the house almost every day. / The house seems to be a bit brighter  
On this warm summer day in May. / It plays with your mind.  
To me I say, it is one of a kind.**
- a. Does the poet drive past the house every day?  
c. Identify the season mentioned here.  
e. How does the house look on the summer day?  
g. What does play with our mind?
- b. When does the house seem to be a bit brighter?  
d. Which month is mentioned here?  
f. What does the word 'it' refer to?
4. **Beside the house sits a tree.  
It never grows leaves,  
Not in the winter, spring, summer or fall.  
It just sits there, never getting small or ever  
growing tall,  
How could this be?**
- a. What is beside the house? (Model 19)  
b. How does it never grow leaves? (Model 19)  
c. What are the seasons mentioned here?  
d. Does the tree grow tall?  
e. What is the mystery of the tree?
5. **Rumors are constantly being made,  
And each day the house just begins to fade.  
What happened inside that house?  
I really don't know.  
I guess it will always be a mystery.**
- a. What rumours are made about the house?  
c. Who does the word 'I' refer to?  
e. Does the poet know what happened inside the house?  
f. What is the poet's guess about the house?
- b. Does the house fade each day?  
d. Who does the word 'it' refer to?

**SECTION - 3 : Q. No.23 - ACTIVE & PASSIVE VOICE**

**So far in the Exams**

**Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice.**

1. That portrait was painted by my grandmother. (April 23)
2. Mala will write a letter. (Aug 22)
3. Rosy will solve the problem. (May 22)
4. When will you finish the building? (Sep 21)
5. You are advised not to be careless. (Sep 20)
6. Please assemble in the ground. (Model 19)
7. I noticed a sudden change in Aditya's face. (PTA 1)
8. The doctor kindly warned me. (PTA 2)
9. M. Hamel mounted his chair. (PTA 3)
10. They have asked me to pay the fine. (PTA 4)
11. You are making a cake now. (PTA 5)
12. Why have you left your brother at home? (PTA 6)

**Textual Practice**

**Change the following sentences to the other voice.**

1. The manager appointed many office assistants.
2. You are making a cake now.
3. That portrait was painted by my grandmother.
4. Malini had bought a colourful hat for her daughter.
5. They have asked me to pay the fine.
6. The militants were being taken to prison by the police.

7. His behaviour vexes me.
  8. Rosy will solve the problem.
  9. Our army defeated the enemy.
  10. The salesman answered all the questions patiently.
  11. Please assemble in the ground.
  12. Please do not use mobile phones.
  13. Work hard.
  14. Do not eat junk food.
  15. Somebody has taken away my book.
  16. No one has bought the tickets.
  17. Did he write a letter?
  18. Is he watching us?
  19. Who will accept this?
  20. Who has arranged this meeting?
  21. When will you finish the building?
  22. How did they do this?
  23. Please call him at once.
  24. How did you cross the river?
  25. No one is borrowing the novels from the library.
  26. Will you help me?
  27. Go for a jog early in the morning.
  28. Why have you left your brother at home?
  29. Nobody should violate the rules.
  30. Someone has to initiate it immediately.
  31. Have you invited Raman to the party?
  32. Please do not walk on the grass.
  33. Cross the busy roads carefully.
  34. When will you book the tickets to Bengaluru?
  35. John gave a bar of chocolates to Jill.
  36. Pragathi lent a pencil to Keerthana.
  37. Sudha told the truth to her friend.
  38. They offered the job to Venkat.
  39. The boss showed the new computer to Kaviya.
  40. Someone stolen Ambrose's motorbike.
  41. Ambrose had left the motorbike outside his house.
  42. Ambrose reported the theft to the police.
  43. The police told him that they would try to find his motorbike.
  44. This morning, they found his motorbike.
  45. The police called Ambrose to the police station.
  46. The thieves had painted it and sold it to someone else.
  47. The new owner had parked the motorbike outside a wall when the police found it.
  48. After an enquiry, the police arrested the thieves.
- Additional Practice**
- Change the following sentences to the other voice.**
1. The North Indians eat chapattis every day.
  2. The sight of the food maddened him.
  3. They were forgiven by Prospero.
  4. They carried Peter home to his parents.
  5. I will examine your symptoms.
  6. Shyla was reading a book when her mother called her.
  7. Students arranged an excursion to Thanjore.
  8. Flowers are delivered by the florist to my office everyday.
  9. The kitchen is being tiled by the workers and we cannot use it yet.
  10. The watch was stolen and it has not been found yet.
  11. The Headmaster was giving prizes.
  12. My mother has praised Sheela for her work.
  13. The Government has printed new books this year.
  14. They had taken Ram to hospital.
  15. The police had arrested the thieves.
  16. The people welcome the new doctor.
  17. The storm blows the trees.
  18. Someone will steal the goods.
  19. Tagore wrote Gitanjali.
  20. The snake has bitten the boy.
  21. The teachers can set the question papers.
  22. My grandmother was telling the stories.
  23. The child had broken the chair.
  24. Our team has scored three goals.
  25. I had sharpened my pencil.
  26. The boy realized that he had committed a mistake.
  27. Arjun Bajpai scaled the Mount Everest and he was honoured by all.
  28. Santa Claus gave sweets to all children.
  29. I purchased a pen. I shall use it for the examination.
  30. He was awarded a prize by the government.
  31. The prizes were distributed to the winners by the Chief Guest.
  32. He received a letter from his father.
  33. We should help the poor and they will praise us.
  34. The certificates were issued to the students.
  35. She buys mangoes in the village.
  36. Take care of your things. Someone might steal them.
  37. The teacher completed the portions.
  38. The leader was welcomed by the people.
  39. The first railway was built by George Stephenson.
  40. We expect good news.
  41. The telegram has just been received.
  42. The thief was caught red-handed.
  43. She was loved and honoured by all.
  44. Ram bought a colourful hat for his daughter.
  45. Flowers were being sold by her.
  46. Neha will clean the house every Saturday.

**Q. NO.27- REARRANGE THE JUMBLED WORDS****So far in the Exams****Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences.**

1. as / I / healthy / are / you / am / as (April 23)
2. speaks / Ruben / besides / German / languages / two (April 23)
3. if / study / marks / a / you / will / well / good / get (Aug 22)
4. there / often / with / problems / mobile phones / a / are / lot of (Aug 22)
5. loan / apply / you / if / for / you / a / get / will / immediately / it (May 22)
6. himself / preferred / he / mail / by / handling (May 22)
7. a sudden / it / Aditya's / I noticed / asked / reason for / expression / and I / change in / him the (Sep 21)
8. at once / church-clocks / twelve / all / the / struck (Sep 21)
9. followed / suggestion / my / they (Sep 20)
10. hard-working / Mathew / was / businessman / a (Sep 20)
11. he saw / when / in the / platform / the train / he rushed (Model 19)
12. as / I / healthy / are you / am / as (Model 19)
13. he sent / at the / for me / I was a / time / clerk. (PTA 1)
14. slept / but / on / Zigzag / undisturbed (PTA 1)
15. beckoning / calling / they were / to him / shrilly (PTA 2)
16. amazed / how to see / I was / well / I / it / understood (PTA 2)
17. why / Nagen / uncle / asked / there / were / we (PTA 3)
18. was / alone / the / seagull / young / his / on / ledge (PTA 3)
19. must / them / the / be / by / culprits / arrested (PTA 4)
20. results / they / the / will / publish (PTA 4)
21. writing - system - telephone - am - to - I - about - banking - your - complain (PTA 5)
22. you - believe - hear - should what never you (PTA 5)

**Textual Practice**

1. as / I / healthy / are / you / am / as
2. your / today / put on / new / since / is / birthday / dress / the
3. allergic / dogs / Rani / though / is / to / of / six / she / them / has
4. speaks / Ruben / besides / German / languages / two
5. loan / apply / you / if / for / you / a / get / will / immediately / it

**Additional Practice**

1. was / the / alone / young / on / seagull / ledge / his
2. gnawed / even / at / he / the / dried / of / pieces / eggshell
3. mother / his / cackled / and / too / at / looked over / him
4. no / longer / was / he / afraid
5. answered / he / with / her / scream / another
6. his / dropped / he / to / legs / stand / the / on / sea / green
7. was / there / sound / no
8. reported / the / officer / to / in / mother / charge
9. pretty / when / got / to / I / attic / the / were / things / confused
10. policeman / heavy / a / up / bounded / the steps
11. put / they / zither / the / on / back / a / shelf
12. was / he / such / looking / nice / a / man / young
13. are / the / gone / days / women / where / India / in / indoors / remained
14. almost / women / occupy / the / all / positions / major / society / in
15. Goa / crew / the / voyage / their / started / from / 10/2007 / September / on
16. started / we / some / courses / theoretical / navigation / on / with
17. underwent / our / we / sail / basic / courses / training / Mumbai / in

**SECTION - 2 : Q. NO. 33 & 34 - POEM PARAGRAPH****So far in the Exams**

1. Compare and contrast the attitude of the Ant and the Cricket. (April 23)
2. What are the positive aspects mentioned in the poem 'Life'? (April 23)
3. How are today's women portrayed by the poet? (Aug 22)
4. Describe the journey of life as depicted in the poem by Henry Van Dyke. (Aug 22, May 22)
5. What qualities have made women powerful? (May 22, Sep 21, PTA 6)
6. What feelings are evoked in us by the machines in the poem 'The Secret of Machines'? (Sep 21, PTA 1)
7. How are today's women portrayed by the poet? (Sep 20, PTA 4)
8. What is the central theme of the poem 'No Men are Foreign'? (Sep 20, PTA 2)
9. Compare and contrast the attitude of the Ant and the Cricket. (Model 19, PTA 5)
10. How is mystery depicted in the poem 'The House on Elm Street'? (Model 19, PTA 3, 4)
11. The poem 'No Men are Foreign' has a greater relevance in today's world. Elucidate. (PTA 5)
12. Write a paragraph on "The Grumble Family" and their attitude towards other folks. (PTA 1)
13. Some crickets have four legs and some have two'. Elucidate this statement from the poet's point of view. (PTA 2)
14. From the poem 'The Grumble Family' what kind of behavior does the poet want the readers to possess. (PTA 3)
15. How do machines confess they are inferior to human brain? (PTA 6)

**Textual Practice****1. Life**

1. Describe the journey of life as depicted in the poem by Henry Van Dyke.

**2. The Grumble Family**

1. Write a paragraph on "The Grumble Family" and their attitude towards other folks.
2. If you were to live in the Complaining Street, how would you deal with the people who grumble?
3. From the poem 'The Grumble Family' what kind of behavior does the poet want the readers to possess?

**3. I am Every Woman**

1. How are today's women portrayed by the poet?
2. What qualities have made women powerful?

**4. The Ant and the Cricket**

1. 'Some crickets have four legs and some have two'. Elucidate this statement from the poet's point of view.
2. Compare and contrast the attitude of the Ant and the Cricket.
3. If given a chance, who would you want to be-the ant or the cricket? Justify your answer.

**5. The Secret of Machines**

1. What feelings are evoked in us by the machines in the poem 'The Secret of Machines'?
2. How do machines confess they are inferior to human brain?

**6. No Men are Foreign**

1. What is the central theme of the poem 'No Men are Foreign'?
2. The poem 'No Men are Foreign' has a greater relevance in today's world. Elucidate.

**7. The House on Elm Street**

1. Where is the house located? Why is it a mysterious place?
2. How is mystery depicted in the poem 'The House on Elm Street'?

**Q. NO. 35 LITERARY APPRECIATION****So far in the Exams**

**Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below.**

1. **The weather is always too hot or cold;  
Summer and winter alike they scold.  
Nothing goes right with the folks you meet  
Down on that gloomy Complaining Street.** (April 23)
  - a) Pick out the rhyming words from the given stanza.
  - b) Give the rhyme scheme for the given stanza.
  - c) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza.
  - d) Pick out the alliterating words in the second line.

2. **We can pull and haul and push and lift and drive,  
We can print and plough and weave and heat and light,  
We can run and race and swim and fly and dive,  
We can see and hear and count and read and write!** (May 22, Sep 21, PTA 2)
- Pick out rhyming words from the given stanza.
  - Give the rhyme scheme for the given stanza.
  - Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza.
  - Pick out the alliterating words in the second line.
3. **Let me but live my life year to year,  
With forward face and unreluctant soul;  
Not hurrying to, nor turning from the goal;  
Not mourning for the things that disappear**  
(Aug 22)
- Identify the rhyme scheme.
  - What kind of a life does the poet want to lead?
  - Whom does the word 'me' refer to?
  - Why do you think the poet is not in a hurry?
4. **She's a lioness; don't mess with her.  
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!**(Sep 20)
- Pick out rhyming words in the above lines.
  - Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
  - Identify the figure of speech employed here in this stanza.
  - Pick out the alliterating words in the fourth line.
5. **The weather is always too hot or cold;  
Summer and winter alike they scold,  
Nothing goes right with the folks you meet  
Down on the gloomy Complaining Street.** (Mdl19)
- Pick out rhyming words from the above lines.
  - Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
  - Identify the figure of speech employed in the fourth line of the given stanza.
  - Pick out the alliterating words.
6. **A silly young cricket, accustomed to sing  
Through the warm, sunny months of gay summer  
and spring,  
Began to complain when he found that, at home,  
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.**  
(PTA 1)
- Pick out rhyming words from the above lines.
  - Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
  - Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza.
  - Pick out the alliterating words in the second line.
7. **Beside the house sits a tree.  
It never grows leaves,  
Not in the winter, spring, summer or fall.  
It just sits there, never getting small or  
ever growing tall,  
How could this be?** (PTA 3)
- Pick out rhyming words from the above lines.
  - Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
  - Identify the figure of speech used in the first and last line.
  - Pick out the alliterating words in the third line.
8. **In the dim past, nor holding back in fear  
From what the future veils; but with a whole  
And happy heart, that pays its toll.  
To Youth and Age, and travels on with cheer.**  
(PTA 4)
- Pick out rhyming words from the above lines.
  - Write the rhyme scheme of the given poem.
  - Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza.
  - Pick out the alliterating words.
9. **So let the way wind up the hill or down,  
O'er rough or smooth, the journey will be joy:  
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy,  
New friendship, high adventure, and a crown,**  
(PTA 5)
- Pick out rhyming words from the above lines.
  - Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
  - Identify the figure of speech employed in the fourth line of the given stanza.
  - Pick out the alliterating words.
10. **There's a family nobody likes to meet;  
They live, it is said, on Complaining Street  
In the city of Never-Are-Satisfied,  
The River of Discontent beside.** (PTA 6)
- Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.
  - Write the rhyme scheme of the poem.
  - Identify the figure of speech employed in the second line.
  - Pick out the alliterating words.



**Q. NO. 36 - POEM PARAPHRASE****So far in the Exams****Paraphrase the following stanza.**

1. She's a lioness; don't mess with her.  
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! (April 23, Aug 22)
2. A woman is beauty innate,  
A symbol of power and strength  
She puts her life at stake,  
She's real, she's not fake!  
The summer of life she's ready to see in spring. (May 22)
3. In the dim past, nor holding back in fear  
From what the future veils; but with a whole  
And happy heart, that pays its toll  
To Youth and Age, and travels on with cheer. (Sep 21)
4. At night the house seems to be alive,  
Lights flicker on and off.  
I am often tempted to go to the house,  
To just take a look and see what it is really about,  
But fear takes over me. (Sep 20)
5. We can pull and haul and push and lift and drive,  
We can print and plough and weave and heat and light,  
We can run and race and swim and fly and dive,  
We can see and hear and count and read and write! (Model 19)
6. I drive past the house almost every day.  
The house seems to be a bit brighter  
On this warm summer day in May.  
It plays with your mind.  
To me I say, it is one of a kind. (PTA 1)
7. They growl at the rain and they growl at the sun;  
In fact, their growling is never done.  
And if everything pleased them, there isn't a doubt  
They'd growl that they'd nothing to grumble about! (PTA 2)
8. Remember, we who take arms against each other  
It is the human earth that we defile.  
Our hells of fire and dust outrage the innocence  
Of air that is everywhere our own,  
Remember, no men are foreign, and no countries strange. (PTA 3)
9. The weather is always too hot or cold;  
Summer and winter alike they scold.  
Nothing goes right with the folks you meet  
Down on that gloomy Complaining Street. (PTA 4)
10. But remember, please, the Law by which we live,  
We are not built to comprehend a lie,  
We can neither love nor pity nor forgive,  
If you make a slip in handling us you die! (PTA 5)
11. Still seeking what I sought when but a boy,  
New friendship, high adventure, and a crown,  
My heart will keep the courage of the quest,  
And hope the road's last turn will be the best. (PTA 6)

7. Go then, says the ant, "and dance the winter away".  
Thus ending, he hastily lifted the wicket,  
And out of the door turned the poor little cricket.  
Folks call this a fable. I'll warrant it true:  
Some crickets have four legs, and some have two.

### 5. The Secret of the Machines

- We were taken from the ore-bed and the mine,  
We were melted in the furnace and the pit  
We were cast and wrought and hammered to design,  
We were cut and filed and tooled and gauged to fit.
- Some water, coal, and oil is all we ask,  
And a thousandth of an inch to give us play:  
And now, if you will set us to our task,  
We will serve you four and twenty hours a day!
- We can pull and haul and push and lift and drive,  
We can print and plough and weave and heat  
and light,  
We can run and race and swim and fly and dive,  
We can see and hear and count and read and write!
- But remember, please, the Law by which we live,  
We are not built to comprehend a lie,  
We can neither love nor pity nor forgive,  
If you make a slip in handling us you die!
- 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!

### Poem 6 - No Men Are Foreign

- Remember, no men are strange, no countries foreign  
Beneath all uniforms, a single body breathes  
Like ours: the land our brothers walk upon  
Is earth like this, in which we all shall lie.
- They, too, aware of sun and air and water,  
Are fed by peaceful harvests, by war's long  
winter starv'd.  
Their hands are ours, and in their lines we read  
A labour not different from our own.

- Remember they have eyes like ours that wake  
Or sleep, and strength that can be won  
By love. In every land is common life  
That all can recognise and understand.
- Let us remember, whenever we are told  
To hate our brothers, it is ourselves  
That we shall dispossess, betray, condemn.  
Remember, we who take arms against each other
- It is the human earth that we defile.  
Our hells of fire and dust outrage the innocence  
Of air that is everywhere our own,  
Remember, no men are foreign, and no countries  
strange.

### Poem 7 - The House on Elm Street

- It sat alone  
What happened there is still today unknown.  
It is a very mysterious place,  
And inside you can tell it has a ton of space,  
But at the same time it is bare to the bone.
- At night the house seems to be alive,  
Lights flicker on and off.  
I am often tempted to go to the house,  
To just take a look and see what it is really about,  
But fear takes over me..
- I drive past the house almost every day.  
The house seems to be a bit brighter  
On this warm summer day in May.  
It plays with your mind.  
To me I say, it is one of a kind.
- Beside the house sits a tree.  
It never grows leaves,  
Not in the winter, spring, summer or fall.  
It just sits there never getting small or ever  
growing tall,  
How could this be?
- Rumors are constantly being made,  
And each day the house just begins to fade.  
What happened inside that house?  
I really don't know.  
I guess it will always be a mystery.

## SECTION - 3 : Q.No.37 - SR REARRANGING

### So far in the Exams

- Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (April 23)
  - The mother dropped the small twigs as markers on the way to help her son return.
  - Once in Shining, a cruel ruler declared that all old people must be put to death.
  - Filled with dread, he hid his mother in his home.
  - A farmer decided to leave his old mother on top of a mountain.
  - The son made up his mind to take back his mother home.

2. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (Aug 22)**
  - i. Prospero and his daughter Miranda came to the island.
  - ii. Prospero had released many good spirits.
  - iii. There was an island in the sea.
  - iv. Ariel was the chief of all spirits.
  - v. They lived in a cave made out of a rock.
3. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (May 22)**
  - i. He ordered Ariel to torment the inmates of the ship.
  - ii. Prospero and Miranda came to an island and lived in a cave.
  - iii. He raised a violent storm in the sea to wreck the ship of his enemies.
  - iv. Using his powers, Prospero released the good spirits from large bodies of trees.
  - v. Ariel was instructed to bring Ferdinand, the prince of Naples to his cave.
4. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (Sep 21)**
  - i. With the help of the spirits Prospero could command the winds, and the waves of the sea.
  - ii. Prospero and his daughter Miranda lived in a cave.
  - iii. Ariel then went to fetch Ferdinand.
  - iv. These gentle spirits were ever after obedient to the will of Prospero.
  - v. Ariel gave a lively description of the storm, and of the terrors of the mariners.
5. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (Sep 20)**
  - i. The King of Naples and Antonio repented the injustice they had done to Prospero.
  - ii. Before Prospero left the island, he dismissed Ariel from his service.
  - iii. He showed him his son Ferdinand playing chess with Miranda.
  - iv. Our food lasted till we landed on this desert island.
  - v. I will make you rich amends, by giving you my daughter.
6. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (Model 19)**
  - 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 a 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.
7. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (PTA 1)**
  - i. He took care of the orderliness in the clinic.
  - ii. Zigzag was of a great trouble in the house.
  - iii. Dr. Krishna was surprised of the sudden change in Zigzag.
  - iv. Gone was Zigzag's bored and grumpy expression.
  - v. Dr. Krishnan took him to the clinic.
8. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (PTA 2)**
  - i. The letter read that the box contained jewels.
  - ii. The uncle had collected precious stones.
  - iii. The narrator was sent for, by his uncle when he was on his deathbed.
  - iv. His uncle announced Tom as his heir and wanted him to pray for his funeral.
  - v. Leaving an iron box for Tom, his uncle instructed him not to shake the box.
9. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (PTA 3)**
  - i. Of these, Ariel was the chief.
  - ii. They live in a cave made out of rocks.
  - iii. Gonzalo, the lord of his court privately places water, provision, apparels and books.
  - iv. Prospero, the Duke of Milan reaches the island with his daughter Miranda.
  - v. By virtue of his magic he releases many good spirits from the witch Sycorax.
10. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order. (PTA 4)**
  - i. Miranda was attracted by Ferdinand and had more concern towards him.
  - ii. Prospero forgave them and restored his dukedom, Milan.
  - iii. Prospero wanted to test Ferdinand and gave a severe task to perform.
  - iv. The King of Naples, and Antonio the false brother, repented the injustice they had done to Prospero.
  - v. Ferdinand was the second human whom Miranda had seen after her father.

**Q. NO. 38 - SR COMPREHENSION PASSAGE****So far in the Exams****1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. (April 23)**

Many years ago, China was in the middle of a great war. The Emperor said that one man from each Chinese family must leave his family to join the army. Mulan, a teenage girl who lived in a far away village of China, heard the news when she was outside, washing clothes. Mulan ran into the house. Her father was sitting on a chair, carving a piece of wood. "Father!" she said. "Did you hear what the Emperor says each family must do?" "Yes," said her old father, "I heard about it in town. Well, I may as well go pack up". He put down his carving, stood up and walked very slowly to his room.

**Questions :**

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| i. What did the Emperor say?                    | ii. Who was Mulan?             |
| iii. When did she hear the news?                | iv. What was her father doing? |
| v. Where was her father when he heard the news? |                                |

**2. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. (May 22)**

Arvind, finding that Zigzag was sulkily refusing to say a word despite all their efforts at striking a conversation, dashed into the kitchen to return with a plate heaped hurriedly with juicy fruit slices and some nuts. Bored eyes brightened momentarily as Zigzag picked up a walnut. But refusing to speak, he dropped one wrinkled eyelid in a solemn wink and flew clumsily to deposit the nut on the enormous chandelier hanging from the ceiling. Bit by bit, and in total silence, all the fruit on the plate was transferred to the chandelier and on to the blades of the ceiling fan. Then perching comfortably on a curtain rod, Zigzag winked and sank his beak into a plump guava.

**Questions :**

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| i. Where did Zigzag perch comfortably?                  | ii. What made Arvind rush into the kitchen? |
| iii. Where did Zigzag transfer all the fruits and nuts? | iv. What did Arvind bring for the bird?     |
| v. Did Zigzag converse with the inmates of the house?   |   |

**3. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. (Aug 22)**

"Twelve years ago, Miranda", continued Prospero, "I was Duke of Milan, and you were a princess, and my only heir. I had a younger brother, whose name was Antonio, to whom I trusted everything; my brother Antonio being thus in possession of my power, began to think himself the duke indeed. The opportunity I gave him of making himself popular among my subjects awakened in his bad nature a proud ambition to deprive me of my dukedom: this he soon effected with the aid of the King of Naples, a powerful prince, who was my enemy."

**Questions:**

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| i. Who was Prospero?              | ii. What was his daughter's name? |
| iii. Who was his younger brother? | iv. What is meant by 'deprive'?   |
| v. Who was the enemy of Prospero? |                                   |

**4. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. (Sep 21)**

Six days passed. Six frantic days of checking their e-mail day and night. Six torturous days of having the deafeningly loud KNGRRDRRWHEEZE resound in their home, most nerve wrackingly. Maya complained that she heard a permanent rumbling sound in her ears even when she was miles away from home and that her ears ached all the time. Arvind confessed that, for the first time in his life, he was actually looking forward to going to school considering it was as calm as a monastery compared to their house. Mrs. Krishnan had lost interest in painting. Zigzag would sometimes wake up briefly when he wanted to eat some fruit, and sometimes he would sit on the veranda looking sulky and bored as he stared at the sunset at Marina beach- the real view, not the painting lying forlorn in one corner, ruined by streaks of hardening papaya. Zigzag never spoke to anyone, though everyone tried several times, and in several languages, to speak to him kindly. He only slept. And snored. On the seventh day, Dr. Somu's e-mail arrived. It was, as Dr. Krishnan predicted, ridiculously simple.

**Questions:**

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| i. How did the days pass?                                      | ii. What was Maya's complaint? |
| iii. What was Arvind's confession?                             | iv. What was Zigzag's routine? |
| v. What was Dr. Krishnan's prediction about Dr. Somu's e-mail? |                                |

**3. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.**

Susan said he was half cracked like Philip, and broke off her engagement. In his despair he advertised in the Journal of Science and have had absurd schemes sent me by the dozen. At last, as I talked too much about it, the thing became so well known that when I put the horror in a safe, in a bank, I was promptly desired to withdraw it. I was in constant fear of burglars and my landlady gave me notice to leave, because no one would stay in the house with that box. I am now advised to print my story and await advice from the ingenuity of the American mind.

**Questions:**

- i. Why did Susan break off her engagement?
- ii. Where did Tom advertise?
- iii. What was Tom advised to do?
- iv. Why was Tom in constant fear?
- v. What did Tom desire to withdraw from the bank?

**4. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.**

I have moved into the suburbs and hidden the box and changed my name and my occupation. This I did to escape the curiosity of the reporters. I ought to say that when the government officials came to hear of my inheritance, they were reasonably desired to collect the succession tax on my uncle's estate. I was delighted to assist them. I told the collector my story, and showed him Uncle Philip's letter. Then I offered him the key, and asked for time to get half a mile away. That man said he would think it over and come back later.

**Questions:**

- i. Where did Tom move to hide the box?
- ii. Why did he change his name and occupation?
- iii. What did the officials do when they heard of Tom's inheritance?
- iv. What did Tom tell the collector?
- v. What was the tax collector's reaction?

**5. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.**

As I rose to go, uncle Phillip said "The rubies are valuable. They are in my safe at the trust company. Before you unlock the box, be very careful to read a letter which lies on top of it, and be sure not to shake the box. "I thought this odd. "Don't come back. It won't hasten things. "He died that day next week; and was handsomely buried. The day after, his will was found, leaving me his heir. I opened his safe and found in it nothing but an iron box, evidently of his own making, for he was a skilled workman and very ingenious. The box was heavy and strong, about ten inches long, eight inches wide and ten inches high. I stood appalled, the key in my hand. Was it true? Was it a lie? I had spent all my savings on the funeral, and was poorer than ever.

**Questions :**

- i. What should Tom do before unlocking the box?
- ii. Who was the heir to uncle Philip's property?
- iii. What was inside the safe?
- iv. Who made the iron box?
- v. Why did Tom became very poor?

**SECTION - 1 : Q. NO. 39 - i) ADVERTISEMENT**

**So far in the Exams**

**Prepare an advertisement using the hints given below.**

1. Mobile Galaxy – Smart phones – accessories – SIM cards – Recharge – Free power banks on Mobile purchase – No. 1, Toll Gate, Trichy. (April 23)
2. Colourful and beautiful toys – Eco-friendly – non-toxic – handy – buy one get one – discount 10% - 4, Amman Koil Street, Salem. (May 22)
3. Gorgeous and colourful dresses - Attractive prices - All types - Men's wear - Kid's wear - buy one get one - Aadi offer - Mega sale - No. 5, North Usmaan Road, T. Nagar. (Aug 22)
4. Raj appliances - Aadi sale - 20% - 50% - special offers - first hundred - special prizes - Vivek and co., - Gandhi Road - Trichy. (Sep 21)
5. Raj Apparels - Aadi sale - 40% - special combo offers - Buy 1 Get 1- West Street - Madurai. (Sep 20)
6. Home appliances – Aadi Sale – 20-50% – Special Combo Offers – Aadhi & Co., Raja Street, Chennai. (Mdl 19)
7. Tasty and hygienic – homemade taste – 200 varieties to select – purely vegetarian – Mani Vilas – V.E. Road – Tuticorin. (PTA 1)
8. Service camp – get exciting – discount in spare parts – avail – free service – camp – visit your - nearest – Laptop World. (PTA 2)
9. Footwear for all – all sizes – endless variety – all brands – under one roof – attractive offers – Shoes and heals – 43, M.G. Road, Villupuram. (PTA 3)

10. Mobile World – smart phones – Accessories – Recharges – Free scratch card on every purchase of mobile – flower Bazaar, Ulundurpet. (PTA 4)
11. Home made taste – Hygiene – Family Restaurant – Fresh juice – available – Free home delivery – cards accepted. (PTA 5)

### **Textual Practice**

**Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.**

1. Home appliances – Aadi Sale – 20-50% – Special Combo Offers – Muthusamy & Co., Raja Street, Gingee.
2. Mobile Galaxy – Smart Phones – accessories – SIM cards – Recharge – Free Power banks on Mobile purchase – No.1. Toll Gate, Trichy.
3. RKP Book shop - more than 2000 books - 10% Discount for students - collection of rare books - Main Road, Vallam, Thanjavur-613403.

### **Additional Practice**

**Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.**

1. Shoes for all – leading brands – suits your heels and toes – Attractive offers – Baby shoe world – No.5, M.G. Road – Bangalore – 24.
2. Sun Home Appliances – New Year Sale – 20-50% - Special Combo Offers – Quality products – affordable price – No. 01, South Rampart, Thanjavur.
3. Summer classes – Handwriting – Drawing – Spoken English – Hindi – Computer courses – painting – music – 20% Discount for school students – No.5, Ghandhi Nagar - Trichy.
4. Tasty and hygienic – homemade taste – 200 varieties to select – Pure vegetarian – Mani Vilas – V.E. Road – Trichy.
5. Royal Hand crafts – Exhibition cum sale – hand crafts wooden toys – Tanjore Paintings – Hand loom – Silver idols – Sunday open – Entrance fee free for children – 10% offer on all purchase – Home delivery – A.M. Garden – Chennai.
6. Homemade taste – Hygiene – Family Restaurant – Fresh juice – available – Free home delivery – Cards accepted
7. Hurry – 50% off – Group tours – limited seats – Tamil Travels – Europe – Australia – USA.
8. Footing footwear – shoes, chappals – imported footwear – 20% discount – gents – ladies – kids.
9. Mouthwatering delicious food – Hygienic preparation – Affordable price – makes you long for more and more.
10. No more power cuts – the best power-up – India's No. 1 Solar UPS Company – A/C Fridge – LCD TV – water heater – lights – fans.
11. MN silks – all varieties – latest collections – low cost – authorized silk mark showroom – festival offer – good customer service.
12. Zee Fine Arts Academy – admission open – carnatic vocal, veena – violin guitar – keyboard classes – drawing and art classes – contact – no :99945 68754 duration of course – fees.
13. Sale of furniture – wooden chairs – dining tables – teak wood tables, comfortable sofa cum bed – all under one roof – door delivery – 15% less – hurry.
14. Fresh fruits – Vegetables from farms – healthy – juicy – tasty – low price – care for health – fruits and vegetables – 59, Mint street, Trichy.
15. Sugar – free cakes – pure veg – egg – free – manufactured by Desire – Available at Anna Nagar and T. Nagar.
16. Toyota Trust, Lanson's Anniversary Sale Mela – Pre – owned car on sale – 100 cars on display, 2 year warranty – Attractive finance Scheme – EMI – Free evaluation by professionals – Sell – upgrade – Lanson Toyota – 5/80, ECR, Neelankarai, Ph: 8939647110.
17. Titan watches – Discount upto 40% on select watches – offer valid from 17th December to 29th January only. Rush.
18. 6 days tour to Singapore and Malaysia – only 63000/ – per head – Air fare, Visa, Accommodation – sight seeing and meals included – Holidays 4U – Adyar – Chennai – 20.
19. Laptop - computer shop - Systems for students - special discounts - affordable price - limited period offer - details visit [www.huge.com](http://www.huge.com).
20. New type of mosquito catcher- modern machine - noiseless- harmless - non-toxic - inaugural offer - 10% discount.

**Q.NO. 44 - ERROR SPOTTING****So far in the Exams**

**Identify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly.**

**1. Public Exam - April 23**

- Many students has turned up for the seminar.
- One of the boys are missing.
- I bought an book this morning.
- Sreena avoids to eat fruits.
- The deer runs fastly.

**2. Public Exam - August 22**

- She bake the cake.
- I prefer coffee than tea.
- One of the students are affected by corona.
- This is the pen where I lost.
- She is beautiful, is she?

**3. Public Exam - May 22**

- The ship with its crew were drowned.
- He is angry on me.
- Games and sports helps in recreation.
- The poet and actor are dead.
- I live in United States.

**4. Public Exam - September 20**

- I bought an book this morning.
- Sita goes to the market yesterday.
- We have not eaten anything from a long time.
- Sundar is either a cricket player nor a football player.
- We watched the sheeps grazing in the field.

**5. Govt. Model Exam - 19**

- You may speak politely to the elders.
- This is the boy whom won the race.
- He come late to school every day.
- Though he was hungry but he did not eat.
- Is this a book that you wanted to buy.

**6. PTA - 1**

- Every students like the teacher.
- I look forward to meet you.
- Where I can find a bank?
- My flight departs in 5 a.m
- I live in United States.

**7. PTA - 2**

- Myself I am Reyna.
- He do not have a music system.
- I cannot cope up with the pressure.
- What is the time in your watch?
- Our classroom is in the second floor.

**8. PTA - 3**

- He has good knowledge of English grammar.
- His son - in - laws have come home.
- She love her father.
- I don't know who is she.
- He is taller then me.

**9. PTA - 4**

- Games and sports helps in recreation.
- Cricket is watched by million of fans all over a world.
- Rajan slowly settle down in his retired life.
- Have anyone attended the function?
- My grandmother and I was good at drawing pictures.

**10. PTA - 5**

- As we were late so we apologized.
- Many students has turned up for the seminar.
- She has been waiting for you since 3 hours.
- One must not reveal his secrets to all .
- One of the boys are missing.

**11. PTA - 6**

- It is a fact that most of people want to earn more but work less.
- There is - dozens of apples - and plenty of grapes in the market.
- Serena prefers to play Tennis than badminton in the court.
- They will like to invite you to be the chief guest.
- No sooner did he see the snake when he shouted.

**Additional Practice**

**Identify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly.**

- Diamond is more precious than any gem.
- This is one of the busier streets in our family.
- The sparrow is the most unique bird.
- Beema is stronger among the five Pandava brothers.
- Let me introduce my oldest daughter to you all.
- Of these two sisters, Helen is the prettiest.
- One of my uncle lives in London.
- Neither Ramesh nor Murugesh are intelligent.
- Nithya has taken half day leave.
- The cat jumped in the well.
- I am angry at my uncle.
- We needn't apply for a bank loan, do we?
- Ganesh is not only a writer but an orator.
- One of my teachers are rich.
- She said that she can drive a car.
- I am not understanding the problem.
- The news are very interesting.
- Earth revolves around the sun.
- Vasanth has attended the party yesterday.
- Arun is suffering with fever.
- There is no friendship among Ram and Ranjith.
- She has ordered for a cup of coffee.
- They have already seen Taj Mahal.
- She doesn't like tea, isn't it?
- They described about the scenery.
- India defeated Pakistan by innings.

## EXTRA TEXTUAL TOPICS

## Unit - 1

## Vocabulary - Parts of Speech

C. Change the parts of speech of the given words in the chart.

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
Exhaustion			
	Widen		
		Mad	
			Perfectly

D. Read the following sentences and change the form of the underlined words as directed.

1. His family was screaming and offering him food. (to adjective)
2. The young seagull gave out a loud call. (to adverb)
3. The bird cackled amusedly while flying. (to noun)
4. The depth of the sea from the ledge scared the seagull. (to adjective)
5. The successful flight of the bird was a proud moment for the seagull's family (to verb)

E. Use the following words to construct meaningful sentences on your own.

1. coward - \_\_\_\_\_
2. gradual - \_\_\_\_\_
3. praise - \_\_\_\_\_
4. courageous - \_\_\_\_\_
5. starvation - \_\_\_\_\_

## Speaking

G. Here is a dialogue between a father and his daughter. Continue the dialogue with at least five utterances and use all the clues given above.

**Father:** Hi Mary, it has been a very long time since we went on a trip. Let's plan one.

**Mary :** Yes, dad. I am also longing to go. Why don't we plan one for this weekend?

**Father:** Sure. Tell me, where shall we go?

**Mary :** Someplace were nearby but at least for two days.

**Father:** Hmm... I think we should go to the reserved forest nearby.

**Mary :** Yeah. I've never been to a forest. I have seen a forest only on TV and in movies.  
The forest is a good choice!

**Father:** OK. If we are going to the forest, we must list out what we should carry with us for two days.

**Mary :** I think we should carry suitable clothes like \_\_\_\_\_

**Father:** What about the food? Do you have any idea, Mary?

**Mary :** Yeah. For food, I suggest \_\_\_\_\_

**Father:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mary :** \_\_\_\_\_

## Grammar - Modals

A. Complete these sentences using appropriate modals. The clues in the brackets will help you.

1. When I was a child, I ..... climb trees easily but now I can't. (ability in the past)
2. I ..... win the singing contest. (determination)
3. You ..... buy this book. It is worth buying. (advice or suggestion)
4. Poongothai ..... speak several languages. (ability in the present)
5. I swear I ..... tell lies again. (promise)
6. My father ..... play badminton in the evening when he was at college. (past habit)
7. You ..... do as I say! (command)
8. .... I have another glass of water? (request)
9. Sibi has not practised hard but he ..... win the race. (possibility)
10. We ..... preserve our natural resources. (duty)



**D. Complete the tabular column by finding the meaning of both the words given in the boxes. Use them in sentences of your own.**

<b>pocket(n)</b> a small bag sewn into or on clothing to keep carry small things	Santa filled his <b>pocket</b> with candies.
<b>packet (n)</b> a paper or cardboard container, typically one in which goods are sold	Maheswari carried a <b>packet</b> of ribbons.
<b>fond(adj.)</b> having an affection or liking for	Puppies are <b>fond</b> of soft balls.
<b>found(v)</b> having been discovered by chance or unexpectedly	Rosalin <b>found</b> a 100 rupee note on her way back home.
<b>lost (v)</b>	
<b>last (adj.)</b>	
<b>paused (v)</b>	
<b>passed (v)</b>	
<b>pitcher (n)</b>	
<b>picture (n)</b>	

### Pamphlet Writing

**Create a pamphlet for the following:**

1. Make a pamphlet on 'Dengue Awareness' (Focus on its causes, prevention, symptoms and precautions.)
2. Make an attractive pamphlet for your School's Fair organised for raising funds for (any) relief (Specify the date, time, types of stalls and the reasons for the fair).
3. Make a pamphlet on the latest gadgets (Mention the variety of models, uses, need and availability).

### KSJ QUESTION PAPERS KSJ UNIT TEST - 1

Time: 1. 30 Hours

### PART - I

Marks: 50

**Answer all the questions.**

5x1=5

**Choose the appropriate synonym for the italicised words.**

1. He flapped his wings once and he *soared* upwards.  
a. descended      b. lowered      c. raised      d. dropped
2. He even *gnawed* at the dried pieces of eggshell.  
a. swallowed      b. bit      c. revived      d. restored

**Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicised words.**

3. The young seagull could not rise *exhausted* by the strange exercise.  
a. energetic      b. crippled      c. weakened      d. depleted
4. The seagull uttered a *joyful* scream.  
a. blissful      b. happy      c. sorrowful      d. wonderful
5. Complete the sentence with an appropriate modal verb.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ win the singing contest. (determination)  
a. might      b. could      c. may      d. will

### PART - II SECTION - 1

**Answer any two of the following questions in a sentence or two.**

2x2=4

6. How was the young seagull's first attempt to fly?
7. What made the young seagull go mad?
8. What prompted the young seagull to fly finally?

## PART - IV

25. a. Write a paragraph about 150 words by developing the following hints. 1X8 =8

Holland – land – below sea level – dikes protected – country – everyone did best – protect – Holland – year ago – little boy Peter – lived – father attended – dikes gates – opened – closed – dikes – Peter's mother – gave cakes – Peter – given – old blind friend of Peter – across dike – Peter happily left home – Peter visited – old man – returned – dike – heard – water trickling – stopped – saw – small hole – called – help – vain – put his finger – throughout night – slept near – dike – morning – found – passers by – alerted people – Peter and Holland – saved. **OR**

b. Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

## Festivals

Festival of harvest  
Celebrations at its best  
Festival of Light  
To our heart's delight  
Festival of Dance  
Leaves us in a trance  
Festival of Music  
Where they sing the joyous lyric  
Festival of flowers  
That brightens up with colours

Festival of decorated cars  
That twinkle like the stars  
Festival of Love  
That spreads treasures on a tree,  
To share the word from above  
That makes us happy and free.  
Festival of sacrifice  
To unfurl the joy of giving,  
Celebrate them well and nice  
To make life worth living.

## Questions:

- i. What kind of joy is unfurled during the festival of sacrifice?
- ii. What does the poet mean by 'Festival of flowers'?
- iii. How can we make our life worth living?
- iv. When are we in a state of trance?

## KSJ UNIT TEST - 7

Time : 1.30 Hours

Marks: 50

## PART - I

Choose the appropriate synonym for the italicised words. 6X1=6

1. The little man was *startled*.  
a. uninterested      b. indifferent      c. shocked      d. bored
2. Mr. Holmes *twitched* his hand all the time.  
a. stilled      b. jerked      c. relaxed      d. rested

Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicised words.

3. Watson saw a *frail* man with bald head.  
a. weak      b. strong      c. short      d. tall
4. He was *delirious*.  
a. coherent      b. incoherent      c. worried      d. happy
5. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below.  
Prema is fond \_\_\_\_\_ children.  
a. for      b. to      c. at      d. of
6. Complete the following sentence by choosing the correct option.  
Lakshmi completed her baking \_\_\_\_\_ successfully.  
a. course      b. coarse      c. corse      d. cause

## PART - II SECTION - 1

Answer any two of the following questions in a sentence or two. 2X2=4

7. What were the instructions given by Holmes to Watson?
8. What did Watson find on the table near the mantelpiece?
9. Who was Mrs. Hudson? Why was she worried?

## SECTION - 2

Read the following set of poetic lines and answer any two of the following. 2X2=4

10. It is a very mysterious place,  
And inside you can tell it has a ton of space,  
a. What does 'it' refer to?  
b. Pick out the line that indicates the size of the house.

**Questions:**

- a. When did Uncle Philip die?
- b. Whom did he leave as his heir?
- c. What did Tom find when he opened his safe?
- d. How was the box?
- e. For what did Tom spend all his savings?

**SECTION – 4**

**Answer any one of the following.**

**1X5=5**

24. Make a pamphlet on the latest gadgets. Mention the variety of models, uses, need and availability.
25. Write a letter to the head of the BSNL office enquiring regarding the internet broadband scheme launched recently.

**PART - IV**

**26. a. Write a paragraph about 150 words by developing the following hints.**

**1X8=8**

Uncle Philip – a bachelor – malicious – alone – death bed – Tom – declared heir – precious stones – rubies – diamonds – pearls – extreme care – read carefully – a letter - dynamite – fear – explode – curious – iron box – possible ways – explode the box – dropped – losing the rubies – Professor Clinch – Dr. Schaff – open the box – matter to the collector – absurdity condition – Tom – leave society.

**OR**

**b. Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below.**

Ice cream is one of the most popular desserts. It is frozen dessert made out of milk and cream generally and come in many flavours. Though children love ice creams the most, these days ice creams are made for all age groups. There are ice creams even for diabetics and heart patients. Made with milk and cream it has lot of calories also because of the sugar content. Ice creams, like most other desserts are advised to be consumed in moderation. However, even ice lollies and sorbets are considered ice creams even if they have no milk. Before the fridges were in existence, the ice creams were made in a bucket full of ice and salt in which the container having all the ingredients of ice cream was held and the mixture in it continually stirred till it was completely frozen. Latter as the refrigerator arrived, it became very easy to just mix up the ingredients and put them in the freezer section till it becomes ice cream. Vanilla, chocolate and strawberry still remain the most popular flavours in spite of numerous flavours like guava, peach, coconut, mango and many others being introduced regularly.

**Questions:**

- i. What are the ingredients of an ice cream?
- ii. How were ice creams made before the existence of refrigerator?
- iii. Mention the various ice cream flavours.
- iv. Which flavor of ice cream do you like the most? Why?

**KSJ FIRST MID TERM TEST**

Time : 1.30 Hours

Marks : 50

**PART - I**

**Answer all the questions:**

**7x1=7**

**Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words.**

1. The seagull's brother and sister were *dozing*.
- a. shouting
  - b. flying
  - c. sleeping
  - d. jumping
2. I could hear a *rending* of wood and a splash of glass on the floor.
- a. closing
  - b. opening
  - c. wiping
  - d. tearing

**Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words.**

3. The seagull became *desperate* to gather the courage to fly.
- a. hopeful
  - b. frantic
  - c. anxious
  - d. panic
4. Herman rushed to his room and *slammed* the door.
- a. closed
  - b. locked
  - c. opened
  - d. sealed
5. Choose the correct plural form of 'radius' from the given options.
- a. radius
  - b. radii
  - c. radiuses
  - d. radiuss
6. Choose the appropriate prepositional phrase from the given options.
- There is a temple right \_\_\_\_\_ my house.
- a. in back of
  - b. apart from
  - c. in front of
  - d. due to
7. Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word 'arrive'.
- a. tion
  - b. al
  - c. ment
  - d. ly

## KSJ QUARTERLY EXAM

Time : 3.00 Hours

Marks: 100

## PART - I

Answer all the questions.

14x1=14

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words.

- The seagull scraps his beak now and again to *whet* it.  
a) blunt                      b) dull                      c) sharpen                      d) dampen
- INSV Tarini is the second sailboat of the Indian Navy, built *indigenously* in India by M/s Aquarius Shipyard Pvt. Ltd.  
a) globally                      b) spuriously                      c) foreignly                      d) domestically
- The spoilt child of *affluent* parents was a fairly good student.  
a) adorable                      b) wealthy                      c) poor                      d) homely

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words.

- The seagull could not rise exhausted by the *strange* exercise.  
a) common                      b) peculiar                      c) unfamiliar                      d) extraordinary
- A cop *cursed* and shot his hand to his shoulder.  
a) ill – fated                      b) blessed                      c) confounded                      d) damned
- The owner of the tea shop is *rustic* in appearance.  
a) country                      b) rural                      c) rude                      d) urban
- Choose the correct plural form of '*index*' from the following.  
a) indexes                      b) index                      c) indices                      d) indexs
- Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to a word '*-noble*'.  
a) ig                      b) in                      c) im                      d) il
- Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation '*PAN*'.  
a) Permanent Acquired Number                      b) Public Account Number  
c) Permanent Account Number                      d) Public Access Number
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below.  
The manager \_\_\_\_\_ the meeting yesterday.  
a) called off                      b) called in                      c) called out                      d) called of
- Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word '*walking*' to form a compound word.  
a) table                      b) room                      c) stick                      d) step
- Fill in the blank with the most appropriate prepositional phrase given below.  
Failure is often the \_\_\_\_\_ negligence.  
a) in spite of                      b) consequence of                      c) according to                      d) in case of
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below.  
He \_\_\_\_\_ a great painter in future.  
a) became                      b) becomes                      c) would become                      d) will become
- Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.  
I won't go there \_\_\_\_\_ you go.  
a) because                      b) unless                      c) despite                      d) when

## PART - II SECTION - 1

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.

3x2=6

- How was the young seagull's first attempt to fly?
- What was the grandfather wearing?
- Mention the special features of INSV Tarini.
- What was the condition of the attic?

## SECTION - 2

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three of the following. 3x2=6

- In the dim past, nor holding back in fear  
From what the future veils; but with a whole  
a) What does the poet mean by the phrase 'in the dim past'?  
b) Is the poet afraid of future?
- There's a family nobody likes to meet;  
They live, it is said, on Complaining Street.  
a) Where does the family live ?  
b) Why do you think the street is named as 'complaining street'?

## KSJ HALF YEARLY EXAM

Time Allowed: 3.00 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

## PART - I

**Answer all the questions:****Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words.**

14x1=14

- The young seagull's siblings were *beckoning* to him and calling shrilly.  
a) gesturing                      b) resting                      c) relaxing                      d) working
- My *contention* was to make sure that we go by the rules.  
a) compliment                      b) endorsement                      c) strenuous effort                      d) agreement
- It was the *gaunt* face staring from the bed.  
a) healthy                      b) lean                      c) husky                      d) hale

**Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words.**

- His voice *trembled* with emotion.  
a) shivered                      b) steadied                      c) shook                      d) pulsed
- One can control the computer screen with a *gaze*.  
a) stare                      b) trace                      c) look                      d) blink
- We *remained* silent.  
a) waited                      b) continued                      c) stayed                      d) stopped
- Choose the correct plural form of 'aquarium' from the following.  
a) aquariums                      b) aquarion                      c) aquaria                      d) aquarium
- Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to a word '-relevant'.  
a) un                      b) im                      c) il                      d) ir
- Choose the correct expansion of the acronym 'INTERNET'.  
a) Indian Network                      b) International Network                      c) Interlink Network                      d) Intermediate Network
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below.  
They \_\_\_\_\_ their new edition of books.  
a) brought to                      b) brought out                      c) brought in                      d) brought up
- Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'break' to form a compound word.  
a) night                      b) evening                      c) morning                      d) day
- Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below.  
Children prefer sweets \_\_\_\_\_ fruits.  
a) of                      b) in                      c) than                      d) to
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ by this time yesterday.  
a) sings                      b) sing                      c) were singing                      d) was singing
- Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.  
Both the minister \_\_\_\_\_ the officers visited the affected area.  
a) when                      b) or                      c) and                      d) though

## PART - II SECTION - 1

**Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.**

3x2=6

- What prompted the young seagull to fly finally?
- Why did Herman and the author slam the doors?
- Who is Mr. Culverton Smith?
- Which software helps Alisha to overcome her difficulty in typing?

## SECTION - 2

**Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three of the following. 3x2=6**

- Let us learn to walk with a smile and a song,  
No matter if things do sometimes go wrong;  
a) What does the poet expect everyone to learn?  
b) What should we do when things go wrong sometimes?
- Don't ever try to saw her pride, her self respect.  
She knows how to thaw you, saw you – so beware!  
a) What do the words 'thaw' and 'saw' mean here?  
b) What is the tone of the author?
- Began to complain when he found that, at home,  
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.  
a) Who does 'he' refer to?  
b) Why was his cupboard empty?

## KSJ REVISION EXAM - 1

Time : 3.00 Hours

Marks :100

## PART - I

Answer all the questions.

14x1=14

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words.

- The seagull found a *dried* piece of mackerel's tail at the far end of his ledge.
  - dampened
  - moistened
  - parched
  - engulfed
- The spoilt child of *affluent* parents was a fairly good student.
  - adorable
  - wealthy
  - poor
  - homely
- Lessons were repeated in *unison*.
  - together
  - individual
  - separate
  - combined

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words.

- The seagull could not rise *exhausted* by the strange exercise.
  - tired
  - energetic
  - frightened
  - excited
- Technology is a *boon* to citizens with special needs.
  - gift
  - brain
  - talent
  - curse
- Women occupy all the *major* positions in the society.
  - plenty
  - minor
  - vital
  - big
- Choose the correct plural form of 'knife' from the following.
  - Knife
  - knives
  - knifes
  - knife
- Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to a word '- continue'.
  - un
  - mis
  - in
  - dis
- Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation 'ILO'
  - International Labour Organization
  - Indian Labour Organization
  - International Locating Organization
  - Indian Learning Organization
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below.  
Walking helps us to \_\_\_\_\_ calories.
  - burn off
  - burn out
  - burn on
  - burn up
- Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'foot' to form a compound word.
  - pack
  - path
  - noon
  - stone
- Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below.  
The fox jumped \_\_\_\_\_ the well.
  - in
  - to
  - of
  - into
- Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below.  
She usually \_\_\_\_\_ home from work at 5.30 p.m.
  - return
  - will return
  - returns
  - returned
- Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.  
I won't go there \_\_\_\_\_ you go.
  - when
  - unless
  - because
  - despite

## PART - II SECTION - 1

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.

3x2=6

- What prompted the young seagull to fly finally?
- Mention the celebrations which the crew enjoyed during their expedition.
- How does David operate computers with the Liberator Communication Device?
- What was Franz sorry for?

## SECTION - 2

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three of the following. 3x2=6

- So let the way wind up the hill or down,      a. How is the way of life?  
O'er rough or smooth, the journey will be joy:      b. How should be the journey of life?
- Strong is she in her faith and beliefs.      a. What is she strong about?  
"Persistence is the key to everything", says she.      b. How does she deal with the adversities in life?

**Questions:**

- i. Why is Cheerapunji today short of drinking water? ii. How much rainfall do we receive in a year?  
 iii. What is the effect of rain on earth? iv. What is the source of all water? **OR**

**b. Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.**

"But soft, what light through yonder window breaks?  
 It is the east, and Juliet is the sun.  
 Arise, fair sun, and kill the envious moon,  
 Who is already sick and pale with grief,  
 That thou, her maid, art far more fair than she surpass  
 The brightness of her cheek would shame those stars  
 As daylight doth a lamp; her eye in heaven  
 Would through the airy region stream so bright  
 That birds would sing and think it were not night"

**Questions:**

- i. Who is compared here to the sun?  
 ii. Who is sick and pale?  
 iii. Which would surpass the brightness of stars?  
 iv. What would the birds do if Juliet's eyes were in the sky?

Time : 3.00 Hrs

**KSJ REVISION EXAM - 3**

Marks:100

**PART - I****Answer all the questions.**

14x1=14

**Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words.**

- Tell us about the training you had undergone before this *expedition*.  
 a. blockage                      b. voyage                      c. stoppage                      d. delay
- Technology *contributes* productively to the world.  
 a. withholds                      b. provides                      c. receives                      d. takes
- The dying man *bolted* the door and locked it.  
 a. opened                      b. poked                      c. closed                      d. slammed

**Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words.**

- We could see the *spire* of the temple through the window.  
 a. base                      b. top                      c. tower                      d. step
- He becomes a confident and *competent* communicator.  
 a. skilled                      b. efficient                      c. inefficient                      d. capable
- The young seagull stepped slowly out to the *brink* of the ledge.  
 a. middle                      b. high                      c. edge                      d. border
- Choose the correct plural form of the word 'mouse'.  
 a. mouses                      b. mice                      c. mousis                      d. mousus
- Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word 'hand'.  
 a. tion                      b. ment                      c. hood                      d. ful
- Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation 'INSV'.  
 a. Indian National Ship Vessel                      b. Indian Naval Ship Vessel  
 c. Indian Navy Ship Van                      d. Indian National Sail Vessel
- Replace the phrasal verb with a single word.  
 Ram is a talented boy and he will 'go far'.  
 a. succeed                      b. fail                      c. enter                      d. reveal
- Choose the correct compound word that can be placed after the word 'boarding'.  
 a. pause                      b. pass                      c. parts                      d. fast
- Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition. I stood \_\_\_\_\_ him.  
 a. upon                      b. across                      c. behind                      d. in
- Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below.  
 After the bell \_\_\_\_\_ Bala entered the class.  
 a. rings                      b. rang                      c. rung                      d. had rung
- Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.  
 Walk carefully \_\_\_\_\_ you will fall down.  
 a. otherwise                      b. while                      c. as soon as                      d. than

**PART - II SECTION - 1****Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.**

3x2=6

- Where did the crew undergo their basic training?
- How did Sanyal show that he had a sense of self - respect?

## SECTION – 5

## 45. Quote from memory.

1x5=5

She's a lioness; .....  
 ..... Today's woman, dear.

## PART – IV

## 46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.

2x8=16

a) Inhabitants of the island – Prospero and Miranda – Prospero, magical powers – His brother Antonio, King of Naples, his son Ferdinand, and Gonzalo – On the ship – Prospero raised storm – repent for the injustice – instructed Ariel to bring Ferdinand – Miranda had more concern – Prospero set severe task – he forgave all – restored dukedom.

## OR

b) Holland – land – below sea level – dikes protected – country – everyone did best – protect – Holland – year ago – little boy Peter – lived – father attended – dikes gates – opened – closed – dikes – Peter mother – gave cakes – Peter – given – old blind friend of Peter – across dike – Peter happily left home – Peter visited – old man – returned – dike – heard – water trickling – stopped – saw – small hole – called – help – vain – put his finger – throughout night – slept near – dike – morning – found – passers by – alerted people – Peter and Holland – saved.

## 47. a) Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below.

Cataract is the major cause of blindness, which is also caused by a damage to the cornea. It occurs more often in old age. As one starts growing old, the lens of the eye hardens, loses its transparency and becomes opaque. It obstructs the light rays from entering the eye. The onset of cataract blurs the vision. Sometimes, the cataract patient sees multiple images instead of a single object image. Because of the gradual development of cataract, the afflicted person loses his / her vision and the world becomes dark to him / her.

## Questions:

- What is the major cause of blindness?
- When does cataract generally occur?
- Why does the lens of the eye become opaque in old age?
- How does one detect cataract in early stages?

## OR

## b) Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow.

All things can tempt me from this craft of verse:

## Questions:

- One time it was a woman's face, or worse –  
 The seeming needs of my fool - driven land;  
 Now nothing but comes readier to the hand  
 Than this accustomed toil. When I young,  
 I have not given a penny for a song.
- What can distract the poet from writing poetry?
  - Which tempted the poet first?
  - Which distracted the poet most?
  - Choose the meaning of the word 'toil'.  
 i) relax ii) work hard iii) rest

## KSJ MODEL PUBLIC EXAM

Time : 3.00 Hours

## PART – I

Marks : 100

## Answer all the questions.

14x1=14

## Choose the appropriate synonym for the italicised words.

- Mr. Holmes *twitched* his hand all the time.  
 a. stilled                      b. jerked                      c. relaxed                      d. rested
- M. Hamel is walking up and down with his *terrible* iron ruler.  
 a. delightful                      b. beautiful                      c. great                      d. horrible
- A portion of a wall of the attic had *crumbled* down.  
 a. built                      b. joined                      c. developed                      d. broken

## Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicised words.

- I loved cooking as well so I *indulged* in baking.  
 a. took part                      b. abstained                      c. involved                      d. yielded to
- He uttered a *delightful* scream.  
 a. plentiful                      b. beautiful                      c. hopeful                      d. sorrowful
- A cop *cursed* and shot his hand to his shoulder.  
 a. blessed                      b. scolded                      c. bit                      d. slapped
- Choose the correct plural form of the word 'son-in-law'.  
 a. son-in-laws                      b. sons-in-law                      c. sons-in-laws                      d. sons-ins-laws



## PUBLIC EXAM QUESTION PAPERS

## 1. PUBLIC EXAM - APRIL 2023

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

## PART - I

Marks: 100

Answer all the questions.

14x1=14

Choose the appropriate synonym for the italicised words.

- The young bird kept calling her mother *plaintively*.  
a. happily                      b. sadly                      c. rigorously                      d. vainly
- Mr. Sanyal stood up with eyes *dilated* and began to recite a poem by Tagore.  
a. closed                      b. moved                      c. widened                      d. shrunk
- The doors and drawers were *yanked* open.  
a. pushed                      b. pulled                      c. fixed                      d. repulsed

Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicised words.

- I forgot all about Mr. Hamel's ruler and how *cranky* he was.  
a. unusual                      b. familiar                      c. unfamiliar                      d. strange
- I had counted on the *commotion* to get to my desk without being seen.  
a. confusion                      b. disturbance                      c. unrest                      d. calmness
- We witnessed the *bright* lights from the sea.  
a. famous                      b. superb                      c. night                      d. dull
- Choose the correct plural form of 'formula' from the following.  
a. formulae                      b. formulas                      c. formii                      d. formules
- Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word 'fail'.  
a. en                      b. ure                      c. ment                      d. ion
- Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation 'CD'.  
a. Compact Drive                      b. Condensed Display                      c. Compact Disc                      d. Common Drive
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below.  
The mother instructed the maid to \_\_\_\_\_ the child carefully.  
a. warm up                      b. shut down                      c. look after                      d. take off
- Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'SUN' to form a compound word.  
a. thing                      b. hole                      c. glasses                      d. hand
- Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below.  
Keep the books \_\_\_\_\_ the table.  
a. on                      b. to                      c. into                      d. with
- Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below.  
My parents \_\_\_\_\_ (return) from New York next month.  
a. will return                      b. are returning                      c. will have returned                      d. will have been returning
- Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.  
\_\_\_\_\_ you work hard, you cannot secure good marks.  
a. When                      b. But                      c. Unless                      d. Whenever

## PART - II SECTION - 1

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.

3x2=6

- What made the young seagull go mad?
- What does INSV stand for?
- How was Holmes able to look sick?
- Which month is called as Magha?

## SECTION - 2

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three of the following. 3x2=6

- My heart will keep the courage of the quest,  
And hope the road's last turn will be the best.  
a. What kind of quest does the poet seek here?  
b. What is the poet's hope?
- There's a family nobody likes to meet;  
They live, it is said, on complaining street.  
a. Where does the family live?  
b. Why do you think the street is named as "complaining street"?
- 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?

**Questions :**

- a. Where does the best scrub grow?  
c. Does size matter? Give reason.
- b. What makes a highway traveller happy?  
d. What is the underlying theme of the poem?

**PTA QUESTION PAPERS****PTA QUESTION PAPER - 1**

Time : 3 Hours

**PART - I****Marks : 100****14X1=14****Answer all the questions.****Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words.**

1. It was the *gaunt* face staring from the bed that brought chill to my heart.  
a. fat                                      b. round                                      c. lean                                      d. sad
2. When school began, there was a *bustle*.  
a. rush                                      b. change                                      c. noise                                      d. confusion
3. They continue to *grapple* with the changes.  
a. settle                                      b. fight                                      c. move                                      d. stop

**Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words.**

4. The project was taken in *consonance* with the National Policy.  
a. agreement                                      b. constant                                      c. disagreement                                      d. harmony
5. The sun was *soothing*.  
a. pleasing                                      b. relaxing                                      c. disturbing                                      d. burning
6. She picked up a shoe and *whammed* it through the window.  
a. tapped                                      b. threw                                      c. struck                                      d. pulled
7. Choose the correct plural form of 'loaf' from the following.  
a. loafs                                      b. loaves                                      c. loavs                                      d. loafes
8. Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word 'natural'.  
a. ir                                      b. mis                                      c. super                                      d. il
9. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation 'IMF'.  
a. Indian Monetary Fund                                      b. International Mutual Fund  
c. International Monetary Fund                                      d. Indian Mutual Fund
10. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate answer given below.  
There will be a \_\_\_\_\_ in the office next week.  
a. warm up                                      b. run out                                      c. shut down                                      d. take off
11. Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'alarm' to form a compound word.  
a. sound                                      b. clock                                      c. time                                      d. watch
12. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below:  
He was \_\_\_\_\_ the sea now.  
a. on                                      b. to                                      c. near                                      d. with
13. Complete the following sentence by using the most appropriate form of the tense given below.  
The governor was \_\_\_\_\_ at the wit of the youth.  
a. pleases                                      b. pleasing                                      c. pleased                                      d. please
14. Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.  
\_\_\_\_\_ I looked up, I saw Mr. Hamel sitting motionless.  
a. When                                      b. But                                      c. How                                      d. Whenever

**PART - II SECTION - 1****Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.****3x2=6**

15. What are the benefits of the internet to the common man?  
16. Who used zither and how?  
17. Who arrested Smith? What were the charges against him?  
18. What prompted the seagull to fly finally?

**SECTION - 2****Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three of the following. 3x2=6**

19. They, too, aware of sun and air and water,  
Are fed by peaceful harvests, by war's long winter starv'd
20. Began to complain when he found that, at home,  
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.
- a. What is common for all of us?  
b. Mention the season referred here.  
a. Who began to complain and for what?  
b. Why was his cupboard empty?

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

My nose is cold, my toes are numb.  
I have a sliver in my thumb.  
My neck is stiff, my voice is weak,  
I hardly whisper when I speak.  
My tongue is filling up my mouth,  
I think my hair is falling out.  
My elbow's bent, my spine ain't straight,

My temperature is one-o-eight.  
My brain is shrunk, I cannot hear,  
There is a hole inside my ear.  
I have a hangnail, and my heart is... what?  
What's that? What's that you say?  
You say today is ..... Saturday?  
G'bye, I'm going out to play!

**Questions:**

- a. What is the poet going to do?  
b. What happened to the poet's illness?  
c. What do you mean by one-o-eight?  
d. Did he really suffer from any ailment?

**PTA QUESTION PAPER - 6**

Time : 3 Hours

Marks : 100

Answer all the questions.

**PART - I**

14x1=14

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicized words.

- The great *expanse* of sea stretched down beneath.  
a. large space      b. narrow space      c. small space      d. deep area
- He said in a hopeless tone of a *despondent* beagle.  
a. angry      b. affluent      c. despairing      d. strong
- They were *apprehensive* and supportive too.  
a. confident      b. inquisitive      c. anxious      d. special

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicized words.

- "How *ignorant* you are! Watson!" He said with a groan.  
a. illiterate      b. uneducated      c. well informed      d. rude
- I had counted on the *commotion* to get to my desk without being seen.....  
a. confusion      b. disturbance      c. unrest      d. calmness
- So we can now look *forward* to a more inclusive way of learning.  
a. further      b. ahead      c. proceed      d. backward
- Choose the correct plural form of 'deer'.  
a. deers      b. door      c. dear      d. deer
- Attach a suitable suffix to the word 'excellent'.  
a. ly      b. ism      c. ication      d. ness
- The common expansion of 'GPS' is  
a. Geometric Position System      b. Global Positioning System  
c. Global Pointing Structure      d. Globe Position System
- Choose the correct meaning of the idiom in the following sentence.  
Afsar goes to the park once in a blue moon.  
a. a regular occasion      b. a rare event      c. a casual event      d. an unusual moment
- Choose the suitable option that do not pair with 'life' to form a compound word.  
a. skill      b. time      c. boat      d. leave
- Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate preposition given below:  
The fox jumped \_\_\_\_\_ the well.  
a. on      b. to      c. into      d. with
- Complete the following sentence by using the most appropriate form of the tense given below.  
The poem ..... about the multifaceted nature of women.  
a. is talking      b. talked      c. talks      d. has talked
- Choose the appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.  
Women are strong, brave \_\_\_\_\_ resolute.  
a. still      b. but      c. and      d. however

**PART - II SECTION - 1**

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.

3x2=6

- Why didn't the landlady call the doctor?
- What kind of news was usually put up on the bulletin board?
- How does Kim help Alisha?
- When did Aditya leave the local school?

**44. Identify the errors and correct them.**

- It is a fact that most of people want to earn more but work less.
- There is – dozens of apples – and plenty of grapes in the market.
- Serena prefers to play Tennis than badminton in the court.
- They will like to invite you to be the chief guest.
- No sooner did he see the snake when he shouted.

**SECTION - 5****45. Quote from memory.**

1x5=5

Some water ..... drive

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

2x8=16

a) Prospero lived – daughter Miranda – island cave – help of Ariel – raised storm – Antonio king of Naples Ferdinand – shipwrecked – Prospero commands Ariel – bring Ferdinand – to cave – Miranda – sees first time human being – Ferdinand surprised to see – Miranda – Prospero – engages – Ferdinand – hard tasks – Miranda pleads with father – Prospero chides Miranda – Ariel brings King of Naples – Antonio – to Prospero – they realize – mistake – repent – restores the dukedom to Prospero – Prospero agrees – marriage of Miranda and Ferdinand. **OR**

b) Hero of Holland – Peter – 8 year old – saved – dike – broke – friend – cake – small hole – finger – dark – stood – there – throughout night – next morning people – rescued – called him hero.

**47. a) Read the paragraph and answer the questions given below.**

In China, in about 1200 B.C., people traded shells for the things they wanted. Chinese people also traded metal tools for the things they wanted. For example, they traded metal knives and shovels for the things they wanted. Later in China, people made metal money. In about 100 B.C., the Chinese made money of animal skin. The first paper money was made from white coloured deer skin. It came from China about 900 years later. In about 700 B.C., people made the first round metal coins. The coins were made of gold and silver. They looked very similar to the coins we use today. These coins came from Lydia. Lydia was located where the country called Turkey is located today. After people made coins in Lydia, people in Rome, Iran, and Greece also began making coins. Coins were very durable – they were strong and could last a long time without becoming damaged.

**Questions:**

- What did the Chinese trade for the things they wanted?
- How was the first paper money made?
- Where was Lydia?
- When did people make the first round metal coins? **OR**

**b) Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow.**

A Bird, came down the walk –  
He did not know I saw  
He bit an Angle Worm in halves  
And ate the fellow, raw,  
And then, he drank a Dew  
From a convenient Grass –

And then hopped sidewise to the Wall  
To let a Beetle pass – He glanced with rapid eyes,  
That hurried all abroad –  
They looked like frightened Beads, I thought,  
He stirred his Velvet Head.

**Questions:**

- What did the poet see?
- Did the bird drink water? How?
- How did the bird eat the worm?
- What are the eyes compared to?



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