

## COMMON QUARTERLY EXAMINATION - 2024

Standard X

Reg.No. 10228

ENGLISH

Time : 3.00 hrs

Part - I

Marks : 100

14 x 1 = 14

Answer all the questions.

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the underlined words.

- Currently, women's accomplishments are tremendous in many fields.  
a) significant      b) feeble      c) enormous      d) distained
- Vinesh Phogat's disqualification from Olympics for being overweight of 100 gms made the Indians and enormously sad.  
a) extremely      b) emerged      c) insignificant      d) little
- We encountered a storm.  
a) met      b) interviewed      c) faced      d) approached

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the underlined words.

- We reached a point where the road bifurcated.  
a) split      b) converged      c) emerged      d) deviated
- He said in an unperturbed manner.  
a) disturbed      b) blessed      c) ignored      d) cursed
- The sun was soothing.  
a) pleasing      b) disturbing      c) burning      d) ascending
- Choose the correct plural form of "child" from the following.  
a) childs      b) children      c) childrens      d) students
- Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word "arrange".  
a) ling      b) es      c) ment      d) en
- Choose the correct expansion of NIT.  
a) Nation Institute of Technology      b) National Institute of Techno  
c) National Institute of Technology      d) Neuro Institute of Techno
- Complete the following sentences with the most appropriate word given below.  
The medal \_\_\_\_\_ in the attic for twenty-ninelong years.  
a) hide      b) hidden      c) had hidden      d) had been hidden
- Choose the suitable option to pair the "land" to form a compound word.  
a) road      b) tree      c) glass      d) slide
- Complete the sentence with the correct preposition.  
There was a pin drop silence \_\_\_\_\_ the room.  
a) in      b) to      c) nearby      d) with
- Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.  
The passengers rushed to board the bus \_\_\_\_\_ it arrived.  
a) as long as      b) as slow as      c) because      d) as soon as
- Fill in the blanks with an appropriate article.  
M.S.Dhoni is one of \_\_\_\_\_ best players.  
a) a      b) the      c) an      d) no article

Part - II

Section - I

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

3 x 2 = 6

- What was the first catch of the young seagull's older brother?
- Who were the narrator's neighbours?
- Which skill was considered important in the selection process?
- What did Aditya offer Sanyal?

Section - II

3 x 2 = 6

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

- The summer of life she's ready to see in spring  
She says, "Spring will come again my dear"  
a) What does the word 'summer' mean here?  
b) What does she mean by "spring will come again"?

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20. 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?
21. 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?  
b) What does the word 'gloomy' mean here?
22. She's today's women. Today's women, dear.  
Love her, respect her, keep her near.
- a) Describe today's woman according to the poet.  
b) How should a woman be treated?

Section - III

3 x 2 = 6

Answer any three of the following.

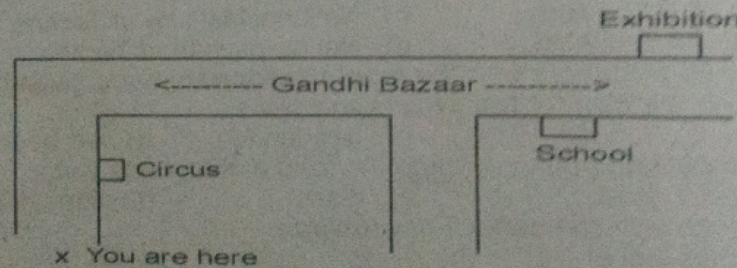
23. Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice.  
The doctor kindly warned me.
24. Rewrite using indirect speech.  
He said, "I am glad they are strong";
25. Punctuate the following sentence.  
the general is a woman yelled the soldiers
26. Transform the following sentence into a simple sentence.  
He is sick but he attends the Exam.
27. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences.
- a) beckoning / calling / They / were / to him / shrilly  
b) point / had / bifurcated / the / we / reached / where / road / a

Section - IV

1 x 2 = 2

Answer the following questions.

28. A stranger wants to visit the Exhibition. Guide him to reach his destination.



Part - III

Section - I (Prose)

Answer any two of the following in utmost 10 lines.

2 x 5 = 10

29. 'Man does change with time' - What were the various changes that came about in Aditya?
30. Describe the struggles underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.
31. Highlight the factors responsible for the all-women Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition.
32. Narrate the extensive search operation made by the policeman in the house.

Section - II

Answer any two of the following.

2 x 5 = 10

33. Write a paragraph on "The Grumble Family".
34. Describe the journey of life depicted in the poem by Henry Van Dyke.
35. Read the following stanza and answer the questions.  
A silly young cricket accustomed to sing  
Through the warm, slenny months of gay summer and spring  
Began to complain when he found that at home,  
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.
- a) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.  
b) Write the rhyme scheme of the above lines.

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- c) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line.  
 d) Pick out the alliterated words in the second line.
36. **Paraphrase the following stanza.**  
 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.

## Section - III

1 x 5 = 5

Answer any one of the following.

37. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.
1. Prospero lived in a cave.
  2. Antonio, his brother sent him out of Milan.
  3. Prospero was the Duke of Milan.
  4. He came to a deserted Island with his daughter.
  5. Miranda was his daughter.

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

Many years ago, China was in the middle of the 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 faraway village of China heard the news when she was outside, washing clothes. Mulan ran into the house. Her father was sitting in a chair, carving a piece of wood. "Father!", she said, "Did you hear what the emperor says each family must do?"

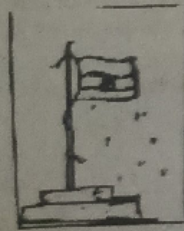
- a) Which country was in the war?                      b) What was the order of the Emperor?  
 c) Who was Mulan?                                        d) What was she doing?  
 e) Why did she run into the house?

## Section - IV

4 x 5 = 20

Answer any four of the following.

39. **Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.**  
 Shoes for all - leading brands - suits your heels and toes - Attractive offers - Dats Shoe World - No.40, Kaveri Street, Thiruvallur.
40. Write a complaint to the officer of the PWD department to take steps in maintaining cleanliness in the children's park in your area.
41. You are Divya / Dinesh, school pupil leader of GHSS, Ponneri. Your Headmaster has requested you to inform the students about a trip to Yelagiri. Prepare a notice giving the details such as date of journey, mode of transportation, amount, dress code etc.,
42. **Look at the following picture and express your views on it about 50 words.**



43. **Make notes or Write summary of the following passage.**  
 Our blood consists of three types of blood cells. Red blood cells, White blood cells and Platelets. The red blood cells are small, thin and disc-shaped. They are composed of an iron containing component called haemoglobin. When blood passes through the lungs, each haemoglobin molecule picks up four oxygen molecules and supplies them to the body tissues. Red blood cells also transport the carbon di-oxide from the tissues to the lungs. The lungs throw out this gas when we exhale. The white blood cells are big and few compared to red cells, numbering only one for every 700 red cells. They are the body's defenders, the soldiers that fight bacteria and other enemies and destroy dead cells.

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44. Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences.

1. This is the boy whom won the race.
2. Is this a book that you wanted to buy.
3. My uncle is richest man in the village.
4. I don't know who is she
5. I live in United States.

Section - V

1 x 5 = 5

45. Quote from memory :

O'er rough ..... will be the best

Part - IV

46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints. 1 x 8 = 8

- a) Dr.Ashok - entrusts his - pet bird - Dr.Krishnan - children excited of his entry - it can speak - 21 - African languages - zigzag - sleeps endlessly - with heavy snore - no peace at - home - Mrs.Krishnan - not happy - shouts and asks for solutions - Dr.Krishnan writes - to Ashok - finding solutions - no - reply - Dr.Krishnan - takes zigzag to clinic - turn of event - Zigzag takes care of - the orderliness - clinic - very quiet - all surprised - zigzag commands - Dr.Krishnan happy - finds - secret - zigzag - must be engaged - if not he sleeps - family is happy with his presence. (OR)
- b) Prospero loved - daughter Miranda - Island cave - help of Ariel - raised storm - Antonio, King of Naples - Ferdinand - skip wrecked - 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 Prospero - Prospero chides Miranda - Ariel brings King of Naples - Antonio - to Prospero - they realise - mistake - repent - restores the dukedom to Prospero - Prospero agrees - marriage of Miranda and Ferdinand.

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47. Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below. 1 x 8 = 8

- a) The habit of reading is one of the greatest resources of mindkind. We enjoy reading books that belong to us more than if they are borrowed. A borrowed book is like a guest. It should be treated with care not to damage it. You cannot mark it and you must return it. Your own books belong to you. A good reason for marking is that it is easy to remember and refer to quickly. There are no friends who live with you for ever. But Books are yours faithful friends because they never desert you. Though books you can converse with the authors. They are your best friends, help in youth, console in old age.

**Questions**

- a) What is the greatest resource of mankind?
- b) Which books do you prefer - your own or the borrowed books?
- c) How are borrowed books disadvantageous?
- d) How does marking help us? (OR)

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

I love all beautiful things  
I seek and adore them ;  
God hath no better praise,  
And Man in his hasty days  
Is honoured for them.  
I too will something make  
And joy in the making,  
Altho tomorrow it seem  
Like the empty words of a dream  
Remembered on walking.

**Questions.**

- a) What does the poet love?
- b) Who is in his hasty days?
- c) Which is remembered on walking?
- d) How does the poet find joy?

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