

WIN ENGLISH GUIDE*(Achievers' companion)***XI ENGLISH – QUARTERLY MODEL QUESTION PAPER–1 (2024-2025)**

Std: XI

PART – 1

Total Marks: 90

Subject: English

Time : 3.00 hours

Answer all the questions.

20x1=20

Choose the most appropriate synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.

- For several hours she thumped the sagging skins of the dilapidated drum.
a) firm b) tight c) drooping d) stiff
- My medal haul put an end to speculation among my family and friends.
a) guess b) adulation c) conviction d) felicitation
- A career of rectitude sometimes has rewards beyond the mere consciousness of virtue.
a) indifference b) dishonesty c) honesty d) guile

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the underlined words in the following sentences.

- Her silver locks were scattered untidily.
a) messily b) neatly c) carelessly d) randomly
- Men with fallible memories tried to make out a case for their superiority.
a) unreliable b) perfect c) flawed d) weak
- I pulled myself together sufficiently to hand my card nonchalantly.
a) nervously b) casually c) relaxed d) confidently
- Choose the word that can be placed after 'court' to form a compound word.
a) song b) set c) yard d) knob
- Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the underlined word. *The boxers were beatable.*
a) dis b) un c) in d) mis
- Choose the right expansion of the abbreviation 'RSC'.
a) Rapid Service Call b) Referee Stopped Contest
c) Regional Sports Conference d) Residential Safety Code
- Choose the **penta-syllabic word** from the given options.
a) family b) determination c) winter d) individual
- Replace the underlined word with a suitable **phrasal verb**.
The police investigated the complaint impartially.
a) look at b) look through c) look into d) look after
- Choose the suitable meaning of the underlined **idiom** in the following sentence.
When the company faced bankruptcy, the CEO began to grasp at straws.
a) to help at the last moment b) to abandon
c) to think carefully d) to try to overcome
- Choose the correct word from the options given and complete the sentence.
Turtles should be _____ in a healthy environment.
a) bread b) breed c) bred d) bead
- Choose the right term from the options. *A boxer is called _____*
a) fighter b) combatant c) soccer d) pugilist
- Identify the right pattern of the following sentence. *The media christened me Queen of Boxing.*
a) SVO b) SVOA c) SVOC d) SVIODO
- Fill in the blank with a suitable prepositional phrase.
We need to prepare a backup plan _____ an emergency.
a) in addition to b) in case of c) on behalf of d) in front of
- Choose the appropriate question tag and complete the sentence. *You are a student, _____?*
a) are you b) aren't you c) do you d) have you

18. Fill in the blank with the appropriate linker.

The speech was informative, ___ the participants were actively involved.

- a) as a result b) in contrast c) as well as d) however

19. Fill in the blank with the correct tense form. *Ram did not have any cash because he ___ his purse.*

- a) loses b) lost c) had lost d) had been losing

20. Fill in the blank with a suitable modal verb using the clue given in brackets.

The school walls _____ painting as they look dull.

- a) could b) may c) need d) will

PART – II (SECTION – I)

Answer any four of the following.

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following.

4x2=8

21. *'But now they only laugh with their teeth,*

While their ice-block-cold eyes...'

- a) Who are 'they'? b) Explain: ice-block-cold eyes

22. *'When officialdom demands*

Is there a doctor in the stands?'

- a) Why are doctors called from stands by the sponsors? b) Why does the poet make such an observation?

23. *'If this belief from heaven be sent,*

If such be Nature's holy plan.'

- a) What does 'heaven' refer to? b) Why does the poet call it 'holy'?

24. *'I heard a thousand blended notes*

While in a grove I sate reclined'

- a) What did the speaker hear? b) What was the speaker's posture in the grove?

25. *'For he's a fiend in feline shape, a*

monster of depravity.'

- a) How is the cat described? b) Explain the phrase 'monster of depravity'.

26. *'He's the bafflement of Scotland Yard, the Flying Squad's despair:*

For when they reach the scene of crime — Macavity's not there!'

- a) What is Macavity's nickname? b) Why is the Flying Squad frustrated?

SECTION – 2

Answer any three questions.

3x2=6

27. Zuber said to Saira, "Are you living here?" (Change into Indirect Speech)

28. The airplane was flown to Bengaluru by the pilot. (Change into the other voice)

29. The trio met at the station. Varsha left for Madurai. (Rewrite as a complex sentence)

30. If we had known about the meeting, we would have attended. (Begin with 'Had')

PART – III (Section – 1)

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.

2x3=6

31. *"I want to be what I used to be"*

32. *"They do not ever in their dealings*

Consider one another's feelings..."

33. *"He always has an alibi, and one or two to spare"*

Section -2

Answer any two of the following.

2x3=6

34. Why didn't the grandmother feel sentimental when Khushwant Singh went abroad for higher education?
 35. What made Mary Kom feel confident about the competitive players? Explain.
 36. The narrator heard his own voice saying, 'and fifty'. What does this suggest?

PART – III (Section – 1)

Answer any three of the following.

3x3=9

37. Unscramble the sentences.

- a. scattered/ on the floor/ sat/ sparrows/ thousands of
 b. the challenges/ with/ is /autobiography/ replete/ she faced
 c. from /auction house/ Lucas /humiliation/ at/ rescued/ luck

38. Describe the process of wrapping a birthday gift by using the imperative.

39. Build a dialogue between a doctor and a patient discussing the prescription of medicine, including at least three exchanges.

40. Complete the proverb by choosing the right option.

- a. The dog may be wonderful prose, but only the cat is ____ (essay, drama, poetry)
 b. A bad workman always blames his ____ (machine, tools, apprentice)
 c. ____ gives courage to a coward. (despair, confidence, knowledge)

PART – IV

Answer the following.

7x5=35

41. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.

- a) How does the shift from village life to city life affect Khushwant Singh and his grandmother?

(OR)

- b) "The art of forgetting is as much a part of human nature as remembering." Discuss this statement in light of Robert Lynd's *Forgetting*.

42. Answer the following in a paragraph of 150 words.

- a) How does Ogden Nash establish the victory of common sense over ego?
 b) Describe the appearance and qualities of Macavity.

(OR)

43. Answer in a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.

Philip – travels – train – Brill Manor – meet Bertie – second son – left purse – needs money – requests Philip – to lend him – two pounds – did not help – at last realize his mistake

(OR)

A Dentist's clinic – tensed patients – one woman – showed photographs – Joe – first patient – dentist arrived – nurse took – hammer – large pair of pliers – loud screech – patients left – one by one – joe's wife wept – dentist located the key – Joe tells – woman with photographs – called in – all others had left.

44. a) Make notes or summarise the following passage.

Narcotic drugs, despite their potential medical uses, pose significant dangers when misused or abused. These substances can lead to severe physical and psychological dependence, disrupting lives and families. The misuse of narcotics often results in addiction, where individuals experience intense cravings and lose control over their consumption, leading to a cycle of abuse that is challenging to break. The consequences of addiction are far-reaching, including deteriorating health, such as liver damage, respiratory problems, and cognitive impairments. Additionally, narcotic abuse can contribute to social problems, including criminal behavior, unemployment, and strained relationships. The impact

extends to communities, where drug abuse contributes to increased crime rates and economic burdens. Addressing the evils of narcotic drugs requires a comprehensive approach that includes prevention, education, and support for those struggling with addiction to mitigate the profound harm these substances cause.

(OR)

b) Write a paragraph of about 150 words about the importance of environmental conservation.

45. a) Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper about the need to wear seat belts while driving.

(OR)

b) Write a letter to your relative thanking him/her for the gift that was sent from abroad.

46. a) **Read the following sentences, spot the error and rewrite the sentences correctly.**

- i) Ram and me are studying.
- ii) I am so exciting to go on vacation.
- iii) We rejoiced for her success.
- iv) Somebody was present here, wasn't he?
- v) None of them come to the inauguration.

(OR)

b) Fill in the blanks as instructed.

- i) She wanted to ___ a letter to make things ___ between them. (right, write)
- ii) The boys _____(play) cricket since this morning. (Use the correct tense form)
- iii) The movie was long, _____ it was very exciting. (Use an appropriate link word)
- iv) When Koushik was a child, he _____play in the street. (Use a suitable semi-modal verb)

47. a) **Write an article of about 150 words about the value of games in education.**

(OR)

b) Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words.

Positive thinking is a powerful mindset that can greatly affect one's life. It means focusing on the good side of situations and staying optimistic, even when facing difficulties. Research shows that maintaining a positive attitude can improve mental health by reducing stress, anxiety, and depression. Those who think positively tend to view challenges as chances for growth instead of major obstacles. Additionally, positive thinking benefits physical health. Studies reveal that optimistic individuals often have stronger immune systems, lower blood pressure, and a reduced risk of chronic illnesses. This improvement in health is partly due to positive thinkers making healthier lifestyle choices, such as engaging in regular exercise and eating a balanced diet. In both personal relationships and professional environments, positive thinking leads to better interactions with others and increased productivity. Overall, fostering a positive mindset contributes to enhanced well-being and success in various areas of life.

Questions:

1. What is the main idea of positive thinking according to the passage?
2. What mental health benefits are associated with positive thinking?
3. How does positive thinking affect physical health?
4. What lifestyle choices do positive thinkers often make?
5. How does positive thinking influence personal and professional relationships?

All the best - WIN

“Arise, awake, and stop not till the goal is reached.”

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 26. a. The Mystery Cat
- b. eyes devoid of emotion
 b. as the poet is unwilling to take part..
 b. as it is God's plan
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 b. failure to catch him at the crime scene..
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