

Class : 12

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COMMON QUARTERLY EXAMINATION 2024 - 25

Time Allowed : 3.00 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 90

ENGLISH

Part - I

1. Answer all the questions. Choose the most appropriate answer from the given four alternatives and write the option code and the corresponding answer. 20x1= 20
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given:
- They were childish enough to be artless.
a) Innocent b) Artists c) Careless d) Cunning
 - This is curious because tea is one of the mainstays of Civilization.
a) Boring b) Interesting c) Laborious d) Funny
 - I experienced not only agony and fear but also anger.
a) Suffering b) Frustration c) Confusion d) Pride
- Choose the correct Antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
- No more humps to tantalize us with hopes of Success.
a) Tease b) Encourage c) Bait d) Annoy
 - He had a malignant tumour of the bone.
a) Dangerous b) Curable c) Benign d) Mild
 - China tea has virtues, Which are not to be despised.
a) Averted b) Liked c) Hated d) Described
 - Replace the underlined Idiom with its suitable meaning.
I must get the Lion's share from my business partner.
a) large share b) minimum share
c) paperless money d) share market
 - Choose the word that can be placed after the word 'wild' to form a compound word.
a) world b) life c) animal d) card
 - English is the Lingua Franca of many countries.
The Foreign phrase 'Lingua Franca' means the -----
a) Foreign Language b) Mother Tongue
c) Common Language d) Popular Language
 - Fill in the blank with the suitable Prepositional Phrase.
----- your advertisement in a local newspaper, I am applying for the post of a Salesman.
a) With reference to b) According to
c) In reference to d) In Case of
 - Choose the appropriate Linker and Complete the sentence.
Vani is ----- a good singer but also a Good dancer.
a) neither b) either c) both d) not only
 - Replace the British English word with its equivalent in American English.
Brinjal Briyani is my favourite dish.
a) Violet veg b) Egg plant c) Veggies d) Veg Briyani
 - The expansion of the Abbreviation IMF
a) Indian Mountaineering Foundation b) Indian Medical Foundation
c) International Millitary Force d) International Medical Follow - up
 - Replace the underlined word with a suitable Phrasal Verb.
We will get the hotel keys when we check in
a) approve b) agree c) arrive d) register
 - Choose the word that has been spelt correctly.
a) definitely b) defainately c) definitily d) difinitely
 - Choose the Polite alternative for the underlined word below:
Misfortunes have ruined heavily upon the oldman
a) Old fellow b) Senior Citizen c) Senior fellow d) Old chap

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17. Choose the appropriate Question Tag and Complete the sentence.
Let's have a cup of Coffee, ----- ?
a) can we b) shall we c) should we d) can't we
18. We ate our luncheon in a famous hotel.
a) cheon b) punch c) brunch d) lunch
19. Complete the following sentence using a Preposition.
A Trekker climbed ----- a mountain meticulously.
a) over b) on c) to d) beside
20. Choose the right combination for the blended word 'biopic'
a) biology + picture b) biometric + picture
c) biography + picture d) pie + chart

PART - II

SECTION - 1

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

4x2=8

21. *The giant wears the scarf, and flowers are hung
In crimson clusters all the bough among.*
(a) Who is the giant here?
(b) Identify the figure of speech.
22. *This is my son, mine own telemachus,
To whom I leave the sceptre and the isle*
a) Who does Ulysses entrust his kingdom to, in his absence?
b) Bring out the significance of the 'sceptre'.
23. *Our gates were strong, our wall were thick,
So smooth and high, no man could win.*
a) How safe was the castle?
b) What was the firm belief of the soldiers?
24. *Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel
Seeking the bubble reputation*
a) Explain 'Bubble Reputation'.
b) Pick out the words in alliteration in the given lines.
25. *..... for my purpose holds
To sail beyond the sunset, and the baths
Of all western stars, until I die.*
a) What was Ulysses' purpose in life?
b) How long would his venture last?
26. *Our only enemy was gold.*
a) Who was the real enemy?
b) Mention the figure of speech used here.

SECTION - 2

Do as directed (Any three)

3x2=6

27. The motorist said to me, "Can you direct me to the post office". (Rewrite as a Reported Speech)
28. Unless we plant more trees, we cannot save our planet. (Rewrite the sentence using 'If')
29. Let the door not be opened. (Change the voice)
30. Smitha carried out the survey and presented her report. (Rewrite as a Simple sentence)

PART - III (SECTION - 1)

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

2x3=6

31. He works his work, I mine.
32. Our captain was brave and we were true.
33. "They have their exits and their entrances
And one man in his time plays many parts".

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SECTION - 2

2x3=6

Answer any two of the following briefly.

34. What was the profound lesson that Dr. Barnard learnt from the boys?
35. Describe the appearance of Nicola and Jacopo.
36. Name an equipment and a tool carried by the climbers during their expedition.

SECTION - 3

3x3=9

Answer any three of the following questions.

37. Describe the process of Organising a birthday party in your house.
38. Study the following table and Write three sentences on your inference about the data.

Average Annual Rainfall in the southern states of India in the year 2012.

S.No	States of India	Average Rainfall in mm
1	Tamilnadu, Pondicherry	1996
2	Andra Pradesh	3580
3	Karnataka	5160
4	Kerala	3055

39. Write an Email to your friend wishing him / her on his his / her birthday.
40. Complete the Proverb.

- i) Doubt is the key to -----
 - a) Knowledge
 - b) Invention
 - c) Wisdom
- ii) A man is know by the ----- he keeps.
 - a) Neighbour
 - b) Relatives
 - c) Company
- iii) Every dog has its -----
 - a) bone
 - b) day
 - c) meat

PART - IV

Answer the following:

Answer the following in a paragraph in about 150 words.

7x5=35

41. a) What was the driving force that made the boys do various jobs? (OR)
- b) How did Hillary and Tenzing prepare themselves before they set off to the summit?
42. a) Describe the Reminiscences of the poet when she sees the casuarina tree. (OR)
- b) Describe the various stages of a man's life picturised in the poem "All the world's a stage".
43. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the hints.
 - a) Ausable - clever - secret agent - entered - his room - found - max - aimed - pistol - lose - courage - quick - witted man - complained - balcony - intruder - window - management did not block - knocking - door - police - extra protection - important paper - Max - hid - balcony - Fell to death - no police - no balcony - Ausable's plan - to get rid of max (OR)
 - b) Ivan Dmitrich Aksionov - young merchant - set out of fair - against wife's warning - stays in an inn - next morning sets off - gets arrested - supposed to have killed the merchant is sent to siberia - spends the time reading and praying - gains respect - Makar Semiyonich - comes there - seems to know Aksionov - his behaviour makes - Aksionov suspect - finally learns that Makar had murdered - the merchant - Aksionov forgives Makar - orders of release arrive - Aksionov is dead.

44. a) Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.

Insects are small creatures having six legs they have no backbone and their body is divided into three parts - head, Thorax and Limbs. Infact, they are the most plentiful of all living creatures. Insects can be grouped into two main kinds from man's point of view, those insects which are useful to man and those which do more harm than good to us. Bees collect nectar and wax from Flowers. We get honey and amber from behives. Silkworms are kept by man from the silk they produce their strong, fine lustrous silk is used to make clothes. thus, these insects

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provide us with food and clothing. Insects like Locusts and Mosquitoes are harmful to us. Locusts sweep into fields in swarms and destroy leaves and grains of plants and trees. Mosquitoes bite us and spread dangerous diseases like Malaria. Every year millions of people become ill or even die due to mosquitoes bite. There are some other insects which are neither useful nor harmful to us. They are interesting, elegant and beautiful. The multi - coloured butterflies, pretty little lady birds and fluttering moths are a joy to behold.

45. a) Read the following Advertisement and Prepare a bio - data considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified (Write XXX for your name and YYYY for your address)

Wanted

Male / Receptionist / Graduate / with Computer Knowledge /
Good Fluency in English / Minimum three years of Experience.
Apply to Post box No : 2339, C/O The Hindu,
CHENNAI - 600002

(OR)

- b) Write a letter to your relative who is admitted in Hospital for the treatment of Jaundice. Write with words of comfort and Advise him to follow healthy diet and his speedy recovery.
46. (a) Identify each of the following sentences with the fields given below.
- Heavy rains claim six lives
 - My friend received an e - mail from his brother who is in Canada.
 - The price of vegetables shot up suddenly.
 - He hit a huge sixer in the very first over of the match.
 - Examinations should evaluate all aspects of learning.

[Commerce, Sports, Weather, Education, Computer]

(OR)

- (b) Fill in the blanks appropriately:

(a) You should for three months to reduce your ----- [wait / weight]

(b) We ----- obey the traffic rules [Use a semi - modal verb]

(c) I ----- (wait) for 3 hours in the park.

(d) He is my friend ----- car is very expensive. [Fill in the blank with a relative pronoun]

47. a) Develop the Hints into a story of 150 words.

Manager of a firm advertised - night - watchman - applications presented - manager not satisfied - rejected all - there was Raju - sat in a corner - patiently waiting - manager questioned his health - got reply - suffering from sleeplessness - manager happy - appointed him.

(OR)

- b) Read the following passage and Answer the questions given below.

The Morning walk helps us to keep fit. In the morning air is fresh and atmosphere is calm. This is the best time for a walk in a park or garden. One can go to the banks of the river also. It is the time of sunrise and refreshing calmness. There are dew drops on grass, flowers and plants. They look beautiful and appear as diamonds. There is nothing like a morning walk. Its benefits are brisk walk invigorates us. There is no disturbance in the morning but much oxygen in the atmosphere.

Questions:

- Which is the only time when nature is at her best?
- What look like diamonds?
- Explain the benefit of a brisk walk?
- Why is morning walk recommended?
- Give a suitable title to the passage.

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PART – I

I.

1. a) Innocent
2. b) Interesting
3. a) Suffering
4. b) Encourage
5. c) Benign
6. b) Liked
7. a) large share
8. c) animal
9. c) Common Language
10. a) With reference to
11. d) not only
12. b) Egg plant
13. a) Indian Mountaineering Foundation
14. c) arrive
15. a) definitely
16. b) Senior Citizen
17. b) shall we
18. d) lunch
19. a) over
20. c) biography + picture

PART- II

21.

A) Casuarina tree is the giant here.

B) the gaint - Personification

22.

A) to his son Telemachus

B) an ornamental rod- as a symbol of sovereignty.

23.

A) gate was very strong, walls were very thick.

B) no one could enter.

24.

A) short lived glory.

B) quick- quarrel

25.

A) to sail to new places beyond the sunset and to gain knowledge beyond the western star.

B) till his death.

26.

A) the gold

B) Personification

27. The motorist asked me if i could direct him to the post office.

28. If we fo not plant more trees, we cannot save our planet.

29. Don't open the door.

30. Having carried out the survey, Smitha presented her report.

31. Ulysses- Alfred Tennyson

32. The Castle- Edwin Muir

33. All the world's a state- William Shakespeare

40. i) a) knowledge

ii) c) company

iii) b) day

46. a)

a) Weather

b) Computer

c) Commerce

d) Sports

e) Education

B)

a) wait , weight

b) ought to

c) have been waiting

d) whose

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