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Register no:

QUARTERLY EXAMINATION – 2024

ENGLISH

PART – I

Time: 3.00 Hrs

Marks: 90

Answer all the questions

20 x 1 = 20

Choose the appropriate synonym of the underlined word in each of the following sentences.

- As we made the rounds, my interest was again provoked by their remarkable demeanour
a) Appearance and behavior b) sloth c) awareness d) rudeness
- They only drink it in order to be warmed and stimulated
a) Admired b) motivated c) comforted d) welcomed
- Suffering seems so cruelly prevalent, in the world today.
a) Rare b) abnormal c) common d) irregular

Choose the appropriate antonym of the underlined word in each of the following sentences.

- The best manner of making tea, is the subject of violent disputes.
a) Rough b) gentle c) severe d) harsh
- We can't appreciate light, if we haven't known darkness.
a) Adore b) condemn c) admire d) like
- From here, the ridge narrowed to a knife edge
a) Broadened b) contracted c) decreased d) reduced
- Choose the correct combination for the compound word, "snow + drop"
a) Noun + verb b) Adverb + Adjective c) Adjective + verb d) Adverb + Noun
- Choose the expanded form of IAS
a) Indian Administrative Scheme
b) Indian Aled Service
c) International Administrative Service
d) Indian Administrative Service
- Form a derivative by adding a suitable prefix to the word "prison"
a) Un b) im c) dis d) in
- Choose the correct combination for the blended word "Mechatronics"
a) Mechanic + electric
b) machine + electronics
c) mechanics + electronics
d) mechanism + electricians
- Replace the underlined phrasal verb in the following sentence.
The telephone wire is cut off in this house
a) Disconnected b) postpone c) reject d) extinguish
- Add a suitable question tag to the following sentence.
Leaves wither during autumn. _____ ?
a) Do they ? b) don't they c) doesn't they d) aren't they?
- Identify the sentence pattern.
Meenu is a doctor in London
a) SVCA b) SVAA c) SVIDO d) SVOC
- Choose the appropriate linker.
We fail to harness the rain water, _____ (consequently, nevertheless) we suffer.
- Choose the correct British English for the following word
Fire Engine
a) Fire truck b) Fire service c) Fire Fighter d) Fire Extinguisher
- Choose the word that has been spelt correctly
a) Consceance b) conscience c) concience d) conscience
- Fill in the blank with the right preposition
There was a skirmish _____ my brother and sister
a) With b) on c) between d) among

Section – II**Answer any two of the following in not more than thirty words:****2 x 3 = 6**

34. What were the various jobs undertaken by the little boys?
 35. What was the profound lesson that Dr. Barnard learnt from the boys?
 36. What did Hillary find in a tiny hollow?

Section – III**Answer any three of the following.****3 x 3 = 9**

37. Complete the proverbs with suitable words given:
 a) Too many cooks _____ the broth (prepare, spoil, create)
 b) The wearer knows where the shoe _____ (pinches, kicks, stabs)
 c) The _____ is always greener on the other side. (parrot, moss, grass)
38. Describe the process of making lemon- mint juice
39. The following graph depicts the result of a survey conducted among 120 students of class XII of a certain school. Study the graph and answer the questions based on it.

Favourite Dish	Number of students
Pizza	40
Burger	25
Dosa	10
Pasta	15
Biryani	30

- (i) Which is the most favourite dish of the students?
 (ii) Which dish is the least preferred by the students?
 (iii) What is the difference in the number of students who preferred pizza to burger?
40. Expand each of the following news headlines into a sentence.
 a) Plastic carry bags banned in shops.
 b) Pigeons released by students on independence day.
 c) India won six medals a silver and five bronze at the Paris 2024 olympics.

PART – IV**41. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words:****7 x 5 = 35**

- a) Summarize George Orwell's distinctive ideas highlighted to prepare 'a nice cup of tea' (or)
 b) Give an account of the conquest of Mt. Everest by Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay.
42. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.
 a) Human greed led to the mighty fall of the citadel. Explain (or)
 b) Describe the various stages of a man's life picturized in the poem. All the world's a stage".
43. Answer the following in a paragraph of 150 words by developing the hints.
 a) Pi – survived – shipwreck – life boat – gets stranded in the pacific – Bengal tiger – Richard Parker – on board – Pi searched for water – found stacks of cans – drinking water – elixer of life – gave him energy – managed to overcome fear – realized that alive – because of parker – scared him earlier – brought peace – purpose – helped him survive for 227 days – left parker in a jungle – reunited – family. (or)
 b) Ausable – secret agent – very fat – Fowler – young writer – came to meet Ausable – disappointed – dull evening with sloppy man – unlocks door – find – max with a pistol – wants reports about missiles – Ausable unperturbed – talk about balcony with irritation – knock at door – Max nervous – Ausable cool – says – police will shoot – in fear Max – jumps from window – thinks – there is a balcony – dies – door opens – waiter brings water – Fowler – shocked to know – no police – no balcony – Ausable – fabricated story.
44. Make notes or summarize the following passage.
 "A sound mind in a sound body" is a well known proverb. Sports and games play a vital role in developing moral, physical, social and spiritual skills of the students. When the students play together they learn to obey the rules. They respect the merits of the opponent team. They develop

sportsmanship. This help the students take success and failure with equanimity of mind. When they play regularly, they keep themselves physically fit and free from diseases. The government has made sports and games compulsory in schools and colleges. It provides all the necessary support to sportsmen. Sports help them develop the team spirit and competitive nature. All round personality and character building are developed in them. Physical education is a boon to the general education. Academic achievement is made easy by sparing time for sports and games. This reduces stress and tension and keeps the mind fit for their studies. It is the duty of the students to make the best use of available facilities and services provided by the government through the educational institutions.

45. a) Write a letter to your friend giving reasons for your choice of computer science in the higher studies.
(or)
b) Read the following advertisement and prepare a Bio-data considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified.

Write XXX for your name and YYY for your address.

<p>Wanted</p> <p>Male receptionist – graduate with computer knowledge/good fluency in English/minimum three years of experience.</p> <p>Apply to:</p> <p>Post box no:2339.</p> <p>C/O.THE HINDU,</p> <p>Chennai – 600 002</p>
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46. a) Spot the errors in the following sentences and correct them suitably.
- I go to school on bus
 - His luggages is missing
 - One of the machine is defective
 - He bought a blue colour shirt and a tie
 - Amit is suffering with fever
- (or)
- b) Fill in the blanks appropriately
- Uma _____ (get) up at 6 every morning (use the verb in the correct tense form)
 - The nurse tried in _____ to get the _____ (vein/vain)
 - He _____ read many books during his school days (use a semi modal verb)
 - Man proposes _____ God disposes (use a correct link word)

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

a) The sun descending in the west,
The evening star does shine,
The birds are silent in their nest,
And I must seek for mine,
The moon, like a flower,
In heaven's high bower,
With silent delight,
Sits and smiles on the right.

Questions:

- What shines in the sky?
- Who are silent in their nest?
- What does the poet seek?
- What is the time referred to here?
- What does the moon look like?

(or)

- b) Write a paragraph of about 150 words on the hazards of using mobile phones.

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- 1) a) demeanour - appearance and behaviour
 2) b) stimulated - motivated
 3) c) prevalent - common
 4) b) violent x gentle
 5) b) appreciate x condemn
 6) a) narrowed x broadened
 7) a) snow drop
 noun + verb
 8) d) Indian Administrative Service
 9) b) imprison
 10) c) mechatronics - mechanics + electronics
 11) a) cut off - disconnected
 12) b) do n't they
 13) a) SVCA
 14) - Consequently
 15) a) Fire Engine - fire truck
 16) d) conscience
 17) c) between
 18) a) was sleeping
 19) b) where
 20) a) must

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- 21) a) The disloyal warder, who guards the wicket gate, let the enemies inside the famous citadel for gold. Thus, the enemies entered the castle.
 b) The wizened warder who guards the wicket gate.
 22) a) The Casuarina tree is the giant here.
 b) The scarf is colourful because it is made of crimson coloured flowers.
 23) a) Fifth stage
 b) He shows his wisdom through his wise sayings and modern instances.
 24) a) Ulysses
 b) hungry - heart
 25) a) Tree is lamenting.
 b) Speech - reach
 26) a) exits - death entrance - death.
 b) Metaphor
 27) Arun asked the manager if/whether he could open an account. there. The manager replied positively [affirmatively] and [asked] informed Arun to get the application form to fill it up.
 28) Had I a car, I would drop you
 29) An award was given by the president to the commander
 The commander was given an award by the president.
 30) As my friend was not there, I came back disappointed. [etc]
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<p>31) Ulysses - Alfred Tennyson 32) Our Casuarina tree - Toru Dutt.</p>	<p>A1</p>	<p>(a) A Nice cup of tea George Orwell - Eric Arthur Blair 1903 - 1950 England</p>	<p>(b) The Summit Sir Edmund Percival Hillary 1919 - 2008 - New Zealand</p>
<p>33) The Castle - Edwin Muir</p>	<p>42</p>	<p>(a) The Castle - Edwin Muir 1887 - 1959 Scottish</p>	<p>(b) All the World's a Stage William Shakespeare 1564 - 1616 England</p>
<p>34) The little boys sold fruits and newspapers, shined shoes, guided tourists round the town and did all possible errands.</p>	<p>43</p>	<p>(a) Life of Pi Yann Martel 1963 Canadian</p>	<p>(b) The Midnight Visitor Robert Jay Arthur 1909 - 1969 American</p>
<p>35) (i) The boys had taught Dr. Barnard that the business of living is the celebration of being alive.</p>	<p>(44)</p>	<p>Note making / summary</p>	
<p>(ii) The joy of living is the most important in the world.</p>	<p>(45)</p>	<p>(a) Informal Hw - (b) Formal Hw</p>	
<p>(iii) What we have lost is not important but what we have left is important.</p>	<p>(46)</p>	<p>(a) by bus (b) luggage (c) machines (d) blue colour (e) suffering with from</p>	<p>(b) a) gets b) vain, vein c) used to d) but</p>
<p>36) Hillary found two oxygen bottles in a tiny hollow left by Evans and Bourdillon on their earlier attempt.</p>	<p>47</p>	<p>(a) The evening star</p>	<p>(b) Gen. paragraph</p>
<p>(37) (a) spoil (b) pinches (c) grass</p>	<p>(a)</p>	<p>(b) The Birds</p>	<p>Harazards of using mobile phones.</p>
<p>(38) lemon - mint juice</p>	<p>48</p>	<p>(c) The poor seeks mine</p>	
<p>(39) (i) Pizza (ii) Dosa (iii) 15%</p>	<p>49</p>	<p>(d) Evening</p>	
<p>(40) Headlines</p>	<p>50</p>	<p>(e) like a flower</p>	