

VILUPPURAM &

TIRUPATTUR

Class : 12

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COMMON QUARTERLY EXAMINATION - 2024 - 25

Time Allowed : 3.00 Hours]

ENGLISH

[Max. Marks : 90

Part - I

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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:

- You must be saving up to emigrate to America.
a) Immigrate b) Settle c) Migrate d) Visit
- This is curious, not only because tea is one of the mainstays of civilization in this country.
a) Interesting b) Expecting c) Excited d) Attracting
- a profound lesson in getting on with the business of living.
a) Gloomy b) Common c) Great d) Heaven

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

- As the wound healed around his neck, his lower jaw become gripped.
a) Worsened b) Cured c) Closed d) Surrounded
- Tenzing collapsed at the top like a giant fish.
a) Refreshed b) Fell down c) Gave away d) Fainted
- if you are going to fill it nearly to the brim.
a) Edge b) Ridge c) Center d) Evacuate
- Choose the correct combination of the compound word 'underworld'.
a) Noun + Noun b) Verb + Noun
c) Preposition + Noun d) Noun + Preposition

8. Choose the expanded form of "OTP".

- One Time Password b) One Time Passport
- Once Telling Pass d) One Time Pin code

9. Form a new word by choosing the correct prefix to the word 'Tour'.

- de b) co c) mis d) non

10. Choose the right combination of the blended word 'Mobike'.

- Motor + Bike b) Moto + Bike c) Moped + Bike d) Moving + Bike

11. Choose the correct Tense to the following sentence.

Anitha has been playing squash since childhood.

- Present Perfect Continuous b) Past Perfect Continuous
- Future Perfect Continuous d) Present Continuous

12. Choose the unpaired word for 'ground'.

- Under b) Floor c) Hall d) Play

13. Replace the underlined phrasal verb in the sentence .

War broke out on 15th September.

- Started suddenly b) Spread all over c) Ended suddenly d) Damaged entirely

14. Choose the correct syllabification of the word 'emigration'.

- Emi-gra-tion b) E-mi-grat-ion c) Emig-ration d) Em-i-gra-tion

15. Add suitable question tag to the following sentence.

We have finished the work, _____ ?

- didn't we b) have we c) haven't we d) had we

16. Fill in the blank with the suitable preposition.

It belongs ___ the next apartment.

- at b) to c) for d) on

17. The plural form of 'formula' is _____

- Formulas b) Fomulea c) Formulaces d) Formul

18. Fill in the blank with the suitable relative pronoun.

The cake _____ you baked is really delicious.

- Which b) Where c) Whom d) Who

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19. Choose the suitable meaning of the idiom 'under a cloud' from the options.
- a) Sleep in the shade
b) View with suspicion
c) Analyse deeply
d) Understand beyond doubt
20. Fill in the blanks with the modals.
I ----- like to have a cup of coffee.
- a) will
b) would
c) shall
d) should

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. "Seeking the bubble reputation
Even in the cannon's mouth"
- a) Which stage is referred here?
b) Explain 'bubble reputation'.
22. "The giant wears the scarf, and flowers are hung
In crimson clusters all the bough among -----!"
- a) Who is the Giant here?
b) Why is the scarf Colourful?
23. "matched with an aged wife,
I mete and dole
Unequal laws unto a savage race"
- a) Whom does the word 'I' refer to?
b) Whom does the savage race refer to?
24. "A gray baboon sits statue-like alone"
- a) How does the Baboon sit?
b) Mention the Figure of speech
25. "Then the whining school - boy with his satchel
And shining morning face, creeping like snail."
- a) What is the Figure of speech used in the Second line?
b) Pick out the Alliteration words.
26. "Our only enemy was gold.
And we had no arms to fight it with"
- a) Who was their Enemy?
b) Did they have Arms to fight against Gold?

SECTION - 2

Answer any three questions.

3x2=6

27. The pilot said to the passengers, "The plane will land in Delhi at 9 p.m". (Change into Indirect speech)
28. If I were a millionaire, I would feed the poor. (Begin the sentence with 'Were')
29. They offered the job to Sundari. (Change into passive voice of the following sentence)
30. Beside being a singer, she is also a dancer. (Change into a Compound)

PART - III
SECTION - 1

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

2x3=6

31. "They have their exits and entrances;
And one man in his time plays many parts,"
32. "Like a huge Python, winding round and round
The rugged trunk, indented deep with scars".
33. "The wizened warder let them through."

SECTION - 2

Answer any two of the following.

2x3=6

34. How was the unattended Trolley put to use?
35. What made the Boys Work so Hard?
36. Elucidate, the Author's ideas about Teapots.

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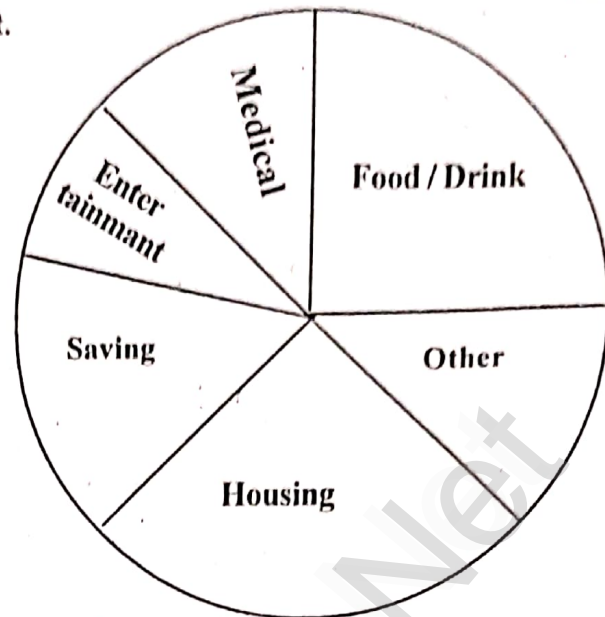
SECTION - 3

3x3=9

Answer any three of the following.

37. Write any three Inferences about the Pie-chart.

- Expenditure**
- Food / Drink, 22.5%
- Medical, 10%
- Entertainment, 7%
- Savings, 20%
- Housing, 33%
- Other, 7.5%



38. Describe the process of opening a Bank Account.
39. Write a notice about the Inauguration of English literary Club in your school.
40. Draft an E- mail to your uncle thanking him for the Birthday Gift.

PART - IV

7x5=35

Answer the following.

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

- a) Summarize George Orwell's golden rules in 'A Nice cup of tea'.

(OR)

- b) How did a casual incident in a Hospital help Dr. Barnard perceive a new Dimension of Life?

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

- a) Describe the Capture of the Castle.

(OR)

- b) Describe the various Stages of a Man's life in the Poem "All the world's a stage".

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

- a) The theme of guilty – faith sight – conflict – forgiveness – freedom – faith in god – merchant's murder – Aksionov's prison life – Makar's regret – begging for forgiveness – Aksionov's patience.

(OR)

- b) Baldwin – honest – loyal to boss – Gresham arrested – for fraud in Bank – Baldwin advises - to return money – Gresham refuses – he offers 100 thousand dollars – to tell three words – I don't remember – Baldwin refuses – family members ask him to accept bribe – Baldwin – refuses – awarded in the end – new bank job – Gresham confesses his fault.

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

Flexibility and mobility are essential not only to reduce the risk of injuries but to generally feel better. Living a nine to five desk life can be demanding on health and wellness. Here is how you can keep the most common problems at bay. Even if you are not exercising you need to make sure that you maintain correct posture and sit at your desk in the right way. It is important that your chair is placed correctly and your legs are not left hanging. Proper alignment ensures that your neck and back are not strained. Exercises and abdominal crunches two to three times a week can strengthen the core. It will help take the pressure off your back and will make it easier to maintain good posture. Chairs with a back that support your upper back are preferable for those who work long hours in front of screens. Constant typing, writing reports, and answering e-mails can exert your wrists leading to long-term damage. Make sure that you rest your wrist at regular intervals. To relieve tension quickly fold your hands in a NAMASTE in front of your chest with elbows moving out and lower your hands till you feel a good stretch in your wrists. Also rotating your fists inside and outside provides much relief to strained wrists. Since those who work on desks spend a lot of time looking at a computer screen,

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they are at a risk of straining their eyes. This may also lead to dry eyes and fatigue. Poor eyesight is the result of continued and improper exposure to screens. Keeping the computer screen at an optimal distance helps a lot in minimizing strain to eyes. The screen shouldn't be too close or too far. To ease eye strain, use good lighting and make it a point to look at a distance away from your screen every twenty to thirty minutes.

45. **Letter Writing:**

- a) Write a letter to the Headmaster of your school requesting him to help you obtain a Duplicate Mark Sheet of Class XII, which you lost while travelling.

(OR)

- b) You are the head of the English Department in a renowned institution. You are invited to preside over the Inauguration of the English Literary Club in your alma mater. Respond to the Letter you have received either accepting the Invitation or expressing your Inability to Attend the Function.

46. a) **Read the following sentences, spot the error and correct them.**

- i) She bought a green colour saree.
- ii) Rajesh is one of the richest man in our village.
- iii) Brutus stabbed Caesar by a dagger.
- iv) The news are good.
- v) I am a mechanic, amn't I ?

(OR)

b) **Fill in the blanks as instructed.**

- i) Some tribes ----- before their _____. (Proy / Pray)
- ii) We ----- to keep our environment clean. (Use semi-modal verb)
- iii) I ----- like to hear you play the flute. (Use a modal verb)
- iv) Hurry up ----- you will be late. (Use a suitable link word)

47. a) **Write a dialogue between a Shopkeeper and Customer about exchanging a Washing Machine.**

(OR)

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

The victory of the small Greek democracy of Athens over the mighty Persian Empire in 490 B.C. is one of the most famous events in history. Darius, king of the Persian Empire, was furious because Athens had interceded for the other Greek city-states in revolt against Persian domination. In anger the king sent an enormous army to defeat Athen. He thought it would take drastic steps to pacify the rebellious part of the empire. Persia was ruled by one man. In Athens, however, all citizens helped to rule. Ennobled by this participation, Athenians were prepared to die for their city-state. Perhaps this was the secret of the remarkable victory at Marathon, which freed them from Persian rule. In Athens stood alone against Persia. The Athenian people went to their sanctuaries. There they prayed for deliverance. They asked their gods to expedite their victory. The Athenians refurbished their weapons and moved to the plain of Marathon, where their little band would meet the Persians. At the last moment, soldiers from Plataea reinforced the Athenian troops. The Athenian army attacked, and Greek citizens fought bravely. Greek soldiers seized Persian ships and burned them, and the Persians fled in terror.

Questions:

- a) Which is considered to be one of the most famous events in history?
- b) Why was the Persian king Darius furious?
- c) What was the secret behind the victory of Athenians from Persian rule?
- d) Where did the Athenians move to meet the Persians?
- e) Finally, What happened to the Persians?

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PRINTED FORMAT****9597292925****BE CONFIDENT** STUDY MATERIALS**(VILUPPURAM & TIRUPATTUR DISTRICTS)****+ 2 ENGLISH – QUARTERLY – SEP 2024****HIGHER SECONDARY (SECOND YEAR) – QUARTERLY EXAM – SEP 2024
(NEW SYLLABUS)****DATE :20.09.2024 ENGLISH – SCORING KEY****ANSWERS WRITTEN ONLY IN BLACK OR BLUE SHOULD BE EVALUATED**

PART – I		
1.	Answer all the questions:	20 x 1 = 20
	Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.	
01	(c) migrate	3 Marks
02	(a) interesting	
03	(c) great	
	Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.	
04	(a) worsened	3 Marks
05	(a) refreshed	
06	(d) evacuate	
07	(c) preposition + Noun	1 Mark
08	(a) One Time Password	1 Mark
09	(a) de	1 Mark
10	(a) motor + bike	1 Mark
11	(a) present perfect continuous	1 Mark
12	(c) hall	1 Mark
13	(a) started suddenly	1 Mark
14	(d) em-i-gra-tion	1 Mark

15	(c) haven't we	1 Mark
16	(b) to	1 Mark
17	(a) formulas	1 Mark
18	(a) which	1 Mark
19	(b) view with suspicion	1 Mark
20	(b) would	1 Mark

	PART - II	
	SECTION - 1	
	Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following.	4 x 2 = 8
21	(a) fourth stage / soldier (b) short lived glory / Temporary fame	1 Mark 1 Mark
22	(a) casuarina tree (b) because of the crimson flowers	1 Mark 1 Mark
23	(a) Ulysses (b) inhabitants of Ithaca / people of Ithaca	1 Mark 1 Mark
24	(a) On the top of the casuarina tree (b) simile	1 Mark 1 Mark
25	(a) simile (b) school, satchel, shining, snail	1 Mark 1 Mark
26	(a) gold (b) No	1 Mark 1 Mark
	SECTION - 2	
	Answer any three questions.	3 x 2 = 6
27	The pilot told the passengers that the plane would land in Delhi at 9 p.m.	2 Marks
28	Were I a millionaire, I would feed the poor.	2 Marks
29	The job was offered to Sundari by them.	2 Marks
30	She is not only a singer but also a dancer.	2 Marks
	PART - III - Section - 1	
(i)	Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.	2 x 3 = 6
	Name of the poem	1 Mark
	Name of the poet	1 Mark
	Explanation	1 Mark
31	Poem : All the world's a stage Poet : William Shakespeare	
32	Poem : Our casuarina tree Poet : Toru Dutt	
33	Poem : The castle Poet : Edwin Muir	

SECTION - 2		
	Answer any two of the following in not more than 30 words.	2 x 3 = 6
34	Two boys took over the trolley. The mechanic was blind and the driver had only one arm. They put on a show.	3 Marks
35	The boys worked hard to pay for their sister's medical treatment.	3 Marks
36	The author insists that the teapot should be made of China or earthenware. Tea out of an urn is always tasteless. Silver or Britannia ware teapots produce inferior tea. Enamel pots are worse, but pewter teapot is not so bad.	3 Marks
SECTION - 3		
	Answer any three of the following.	3 x 3 = 9
37	Pie chart – Three sentences.	3 Marks
38	Describe the process of opening a bank account.	3 Marks
39	Notice Writing.	3 Marks
40	E-mail writing.	3 Marks
PART – IV		
	Answer the following:	7 x 5 = 35
41	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Content – (60%), Language, style and organisation (40%) 	5 Marks
(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Exceptionally good paragraph 	4 Marks
or	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Correct answer with all points with no mistakes 	3 Marks
(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Correct answer with a few mistakes ➤ Answer with a few points ➤ Answer with a few points and many mistakes 	2 Marks
		1 Mark
42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Content – (60%), Language, style and organisation (40%) 	5 Marks
(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Exceptionally good paragraph 	4 Marks
or	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Correct answer with all points with no mistakes 	3 Marks
(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Correct answer with a few mistakes ➤ Answer with a few points ➤ Answer with a few points and many mistakes 	2 Marks
		1 Mark
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or	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Correct answer with all points with no mistakes 	3 Marks
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		1 Mark

44 (a)	<p>Write a summary of the following passage.</p> <p>Summarising – Format Rough copy / Rough Draft / First copy / First Draft Fair copy / Fair Draft / Final copy / Final Draft Suitable title (An exceptional summary can be awarded Maximum marks. The number of words in the Fair Draft need not be taken into account) (or)</p>	<p>1 mark 3 Marks 1 Mark</p>
(b)	<p>Note making : Format Title Sub-titles Key points under each sub-titles</p>	<p>1 Mark 2 Marks 2 Marks</p>
45 (a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From • To • Salutation • Subject • Body of the letter • Subscription • Superscription / Address on the envelope 	<p>1/2 mark 1/2 mark 1/2 mark 1/2 mark 2 marks 1/2 mark 1/2 mark</p>
(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From • To • Salutation • Subject • Body of the letter • Subscription • Superscription / Address on the envelope 	<p>1/2 mark 1/2 mark 1/2 mark 1/2 mark 2 marks 1/2 mark 1/2 mark</p>
46 a)	<p>Spot the errors and correct them.</p> <p>i) She bought a green saree. ii) Rajesh is one of the richest men in our village. iii) Brutus stabbed Caesar with a dagger. iv) The news is good. v) aren't I</p> <p>(or)</p>	<p>1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark</p>
b)	<p>a) pray, prey b) ought to c) would d) or / or else / otherwise</p>	<p>2 Marks 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark</p>
47 a	<p>Dialogue Writing. Build a conversation between two friends about their career after XII standard.</p>	<p>5 Marks</p>

b	<u>Comprehension passage.</u>	
	i) The victory of the small Greek democracy of Athens over the mighty Persian Empire in 490 B.C	1 Mark
	ii) because Athens had interceded for the other Greek city-states in revolt against Persian domination	1 Mark
	iii) Persia was ruled by one man. In Athens, however, all citizens helped to rule. Ennobled by this participation, Athenians were prepared to die for their city-state. Perhaps this was the secret of the remarkable victory at Marathon, which freed them from Persian rule.	1 Mark
	iv) plain of marathon	1 Mark
	v) Greek soldiers seized Persian ships and burned them, and the Persians fled in terror.	1 Mark

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