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Register No.

Time : 3.00 Hrs.

Half Yearly Examination- 2024

ENGLISH

Marks : 90

PART - I

20 x 1 = 20

I. Answer all the questions.

Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. The common link of friendship was snapped.
a) renewed b) cut c) joined d) built
2. The coaches lauded me.
a) appreciated b) gifted c) rebuked d) garlanded
3. in his inherent ability to shoulder the responsibilities.
a) natural b) sensible c) inborn d) reasonable
4. The staff looked unsympathetic.
a) genuine b) sympathetic c) dutiful d) credible
5. My hair went to panic mode. a) peace b) fear c) terror d) dispersing
6. My fear of facing new opponents vanished.
a) disappeared b) appeared c) extended d) gone
7. Choose the right definition for the word pulmonologist.
a) one who treats stomach disorders b) one who treats lung problems
c) one who treats vision problems d) one who treats heart problems.
8. Choose the appropriate word to form a compound word with 'bee'.
a) piece b) lash c) gate d) hive
9. Form a derivative for the underlined word. Mom told me to arrange the table.
a) ful b) ment c) ity d) ness
10. Choose the correct expansion of EMI.
a) Equated Monthly Instalment b) Easy Monthly Instalment c) Easy Monitored Instalment
d) Easy Monthly Instalment
11. Fill in the blank with appropriate 'ism' word.
Ram had the habit of being absent at work. He is known for his _____
a) absenteeism b) patriotism c) heroism d) criticism
12. Choose the clipped form of 'fanatic'.
a) fan b) nat c) fanat d) tic
13. Add a suitable prefix to the root word 'tidy'.
a) ir b) un c) in d) dis
14. Choose the right combination of the blended word 'webinar'.
a) web+interview b) web+conference c) web+seminar d) web+presentation
15. Fill in the blanks with suitable modal verb.
Students _____ submit their notebooks tomorrow without fail.
a) must b) may c) can d) might
16. Choose the appropriate Question tag.
Sita is a teacher, _____?
a) is she b) isn't she c) was she d) did she

17. Fill in the blank with the correct tense form.
If I _____ a bird, I would fly.
a) am b) was c) were d) had been
18. Choose the meaning of the idiom 'in a nice pickle'.
a) in a pleasant situation b) in a difficult situation c) in a confused situation d) in a easy way
19. Fill in the blank with a suitable preposition.
The cat is sitting _____ the table.
a) in b) of c) on d) at
20. Choose the disyllabic word.
a) queue b) satisfy c) must d) doctor

PART - II

II. Answer any four of the following:

4 x 2 = 8

21. "How to laugh for my laugh in the mirror
Shows only my teeth like a snake's bare fangs"
a) What does the poet compare his teeth to?
b) What is the figure of speech used here?
22. "I heard a thousand blended notes
While in a grove I sate reclined"
a) What did the poet hear?
b) Where was the poet?
23. "And tell the sad stories of the death of Kings"
a) Pick out the alliterated words.
b) Who is the speaker?
24. "Our nature it is that whatever we try
We do with devotion deep and true"
a) Who does 'we' refer to?
b) How should we carry out our duties?
25. "Athletes, I'll drink to you
Or eat with 'you'"
a) What do "I" and "you" refer to?
b) Explain "I will drink to you".
26. "He sways his head side to side, with movements like a snake"
a) Explain the comparison made here.
b) What is the figure of speech used her?

III. Do as directed – any three.

3 x 2 = 6

27. Mani said, "Where are you going?". (Change into indirect speech)
28. If I were a lion, I would roar. (Begin the sentence with "Were")
29. Though he was sick, he attended the class. (Rewrite as a compound sentence)
30. This novel was written by Ruskin Bond. (Change into active voice)

PART - III SECTION - I

Explain any two of the following with reference to context.

2 x 3 = 6

31. 'His power of levitation would make a fakir stare'.

32. 'There was a time indeed
They used to shake hands with hearts'.
33. 'How can you say to me, I am King?'

SECTION - II**Answer any two of the following questions.****2 x 3 = 6**

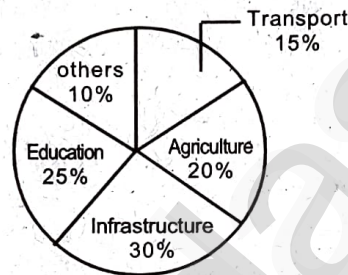
34. What did Mary Kom consider her greatest achievement? Why?
35. Name a few things that a person remembers easily?
36. What was the narrator's financial condition?

SECTION - III**Answer any three of the following.****3 x 3 = 9**

37. Describe the process of preparing your favorite dish.
38. Write an e-mail to your uncle thanking for his gift.
39. Complete the proverbs using the words given in brackets.

- a) Waste not _____ not (fight, want, earn)
b) One _____ doesn't make a garland. (flower, bead, pearl)
c) _____ waters run deep. (still, stagnant, howing)

40. Budget allocation of a state

**Questions:**

- a) What percentage of fund is allocated for education?
b) Which sector gets the highest fund allocation?
c) How much is allotted for agriculture?

PART-IV**Answer the following.****7 x 5 = 35**

41. a) Why was Mary Kom named "The Queen of Boxing"? (OR)
b) Explain how E.V.Lucas got out of the tight corner that he was in.
42. a) How does the poet Gabriel Okara criticize the modern life in "Once Upon a Time"? (OR)
b) What are the qualities the speaker wishes to nourish and what is his mission in the poem 'Everest is not the only Peak'?
43. **Develop the hints:**
a) Many patients – dentist's clinic – tensed – one woman – showing photos – Joe, the first patient – nurse goes – a lot of hammering – a pair of pliers – fear – Joe comes out – to open tool box.
(OR)
b) Jack and Jill's Villa – Aunt Jane – radio set – piano – house rent – five shilling rise – car – seven pounds – instalments – little cheque – goodbye aunt – Dr.Martin – Baby's ours.
44. a) **Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.**
The elderly people are the backbone of our society. It is our duty to care for them. Their needs are based on their physical, emotional and mental condition. Their immune system gets weakened. They

lose their sight, hearing, taste and mobility. Old age is second childhood. Their needs for food, shelter and clothing have to be attended. They need love, caring and understanding. The biggest problem of old age is loneliness. They feel as if they are unwanted burden to others. The best way is to spend time with them. It would give them a sense of belonging and warmth.

45. a) Write a letter to a sports company ordering sports items for your school. **(OR)**
b) Write a letter to your uncle about the "Children's Day" celebrations at your school.

46. a) **Spot the error and correct them.**

- i) He did it wiselier than her.
- ii) Though she was fired, yet she wrote the test.
- iii) I received a e-mail.
- iv) I have two brother-in-laws.
- v) I cleaned the funitures. **(OR)**

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

- i) _____ people cannot show the _____ way to success (ideal/idle)
- ii) He is always the winner, _____? (Add a question tag)
- iii) You _____ take a balanced diet. (use a modal verb)
- iv) Be on time _____ you will be rejected. (Use a link word)

47. a) **Identify each of the following sentences with the fields given below:**

- i) Tamil Nadu eco tourism in tiger reserves.
- ii) Heavy rains claim six lives.
- iii) Manu Bhaker wins Olympic gold medal.
- iv) A.R.Rahman releases new album.
- v) The CPU is not functioning properly. (weather, music, computer, tourism, sports)

(OR)

- b) Read the given passage and answer the questions.

Dengue is a viral fever transmitted through mosquito bites. The disease is prevalent in tropical countries like ours. Dengue is characterized by sustained high-grade fever, pain around, inside or behind the eyes, nausea, vomiting and measles. There are two types of dengue – Classic dengue and dengue hemorrhagic. There are no vaccine against dengue. So prevention is crucial. 'Aedes' mosquito is the culprit. 'Aedes' mosquito breeds in stagnated water. So we must not allow water to stagnate in pots and tyres and prevent ourselves from the disease.

- i) How are Dengue virus transmitted?
- ii) Mention the two types of Dengue?
- iii) What are the symptoms of Dengue?
- iv) Is there a vaccine against Dengue?
- v) What are the preventive measures we can take to prevent Dengue?