

**Standard 10****ENGLISH****Part - I**

Time: 3.00 Hours

Marks: 100

Answer all the questions**14×1=14****Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words**

- 1) His father was preening the feathers
a) decorating b) correcting c) decking d) cleaning
- 2) I saw a frail man with build head sitting
a) simple b) weak c) bold d) strong
- 3) Flashlights gleamed up and down the walls
a) stone b) showed c) appeared d) turned

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words

- 4) The project was undertaken in consonance with the National policy
a) agreement b) constant c) disagreement d) harmony
- 5) We've all a great deal to reproach ourselves with
a) Congratulate b) disgrace c) dislike d) scold
- 6) Technology helps disabled become independent
a) handicapped b) healthy c) single d) mature
- 7) **Choose the correct plural form of 'Man-servant' from the following**
a) Mans-servant b) Men-servant
c) Men-servants d) Man-servants
- 8) **Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word 'fashion'**
a) able b) ly c) ty d) tion
- 9) **Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation VR**
a) valuable Record b) Virtual Reality c) Visit Record d) Visual Reader

10) **Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below**

Anu everyday

- a) warms on b) warms of c) warms up d) warms out
- 11) **Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'coming' to form a compound word**

a) road b) car c) wind d) in

12) **Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below**

All once the church clock struck twelve

a) at b) in c) on d) of

13) **Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below**

Brinda when the guests arrived

a) cooked b) was cooking c) will cook d) is cooking

14) **Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives**

..... Ajay is ninety years old, he is in the pink of health

a) when b) since c) so d) though

Part - II**Section - I (Prose)****Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two****3×2=6**

- 15) Who is Kim?
- 16) How many years had M.Hamel been in the village?
- 17) How was Holmes able to look sick?
- 18) How did the bird feel when it started flying for the first time?

Section - II (Poetry)**Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three of the following** **3×2=6**

19) **Their hands are ours, and in their lines we read**

A labour not different from our own

- a) Who does 'their' refer to?
- b) What does not differ?

- 20) **My heart will keep the courage of the quest,
And hope the road's last turn will be the best**
a) What kind of quest does the poet seek here?
b) What is the poet's hope?
- 21) **The growl at that and they growl at this;
Whatever comes, there is something amiss;**
a) What does the word 'growl' mean here?
b) Why do they find everything amiss?
- 22) **What happened inside that house?
I really don't know
I guess it will always be a mystery?**
a) Does the poet know what happened in the house?
b) What is the mystery about the house?

Section - III (Grammar)

3×2=6

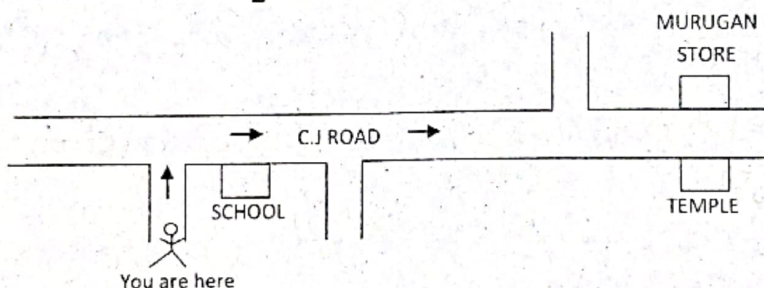
Answer any three of the following

- 23) Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice our army has defeated the enemy
- 24) **Rewrite using indirect speech**
Ajitha said to Padma sri, "Did you enjoy it?"
- 25) Transform the following sentence into a complex sentence on seeing the teacher, the children stood up
- 26) **Punctuate the following sentence**
were you not a good student i asked
- 27) **Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences**
a) as / I / healthy / are / you / am / as
b) on / floating / he / it / was

Section - IV (Writing)

- 28) **Guide the stranger to Murugan store.**

1×2=2



Part - III

Section - I (Prose)

Answer any two of the following in utmost 10 lines.

2×5=10

- 29) Highlight the factors responsible for all women Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition
- 30) Give an account of the last day of M.Hamel in school
- 31) How did Watson help his friend to arrest the criminal?
- 32) Describe the struggles underwent by the young Seagull to overcome its fear of flying

Section - II (Poetry)

Answer any two of the following in utmost 10 lines:

2×5=10

- 33) How are today's women portrayed by the poetess Nariani Shirke?
- 34) Compare and contrast the attitude of the ant and the cricket.
- 35) **Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions given below**
*So let the way wind up the hill or down,
O'er rough or smooth, the journey will be joy:
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy,
New friendship, high adventure, and a crown,*
i) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines. (2)
ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the above lines. (1)

- iii) Identify the figure of speech employed in the second line of the given stanza(1)
 iv) Pick out the alliterating words (1)
 36) **Paraphrase the following stanza**
*But remember, please, the law by which we live,
 We are not built to comprehend a lie,
 We can neither love nor pity nor forgive,
 If you make a slip in handling us you die!*

Section - III (Supplementary)

1×5=5

Answer any one of the following:

- 37) Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order
 i) Prospero and his daughter Miranda came to the island
 ii) Prospero had released many good spirits
 iii) There was an island in the sea
 iv) Ariel was the chief of all spirits
 v) They lived in a cave made out of a rock
 38) **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow**

The country shining was governed by a despotic leader who thought a warrior, had a great and cowardly shrinking from anything suggestive of failing health and strength. This caused him to send out a cruel proclamation. The entire province was given strict orders to immediately put to death all aged people. Those were barbarous days, and the custom of abandoning old people to die was not uncommon. The poor farmer loved his aged mother with tender reverence, and the order filled his heart with sorrow. But no one ever thought twice about obeying the mandate of the governor, so with many deep and hopeless sighs, the youth prepared for what at that time was considered the kindest mode of death

- i) Who governed shining?
 ii) What was the cowardly act of the governor?
 iii) What proclamation did the governor send out?
 iv) How did the poor farmer treat his mother?
 v) Did the people obey the governor's order?

Section - IV

Answer any four of the following:

4×5=20

- 39) Say 'No to Drugs' - Design a poster for it in not more than 50 words
 40) Write a letter to a newspaper highlighting the unhygienic condition of your area
 41) You are the school pupil leader. You have been asked to write a report on the Inaugural Ceremony of English Literary Association which was held recently in your school

- 42) **Look at the following picture and express your views on it in a paragraph or five sentences**



- 43) **Write a summary or notes of the following passage**

The aim of education is to enable the human personality to grow its full stature. We have a body, a mind and a spirit. Accordingly, education aims at our physical, intellectual, spiritual and moral development. Games are a means of keeping the body healthy and fit. Physical fitness and freedom from all kinds of ailments are the desire and ambition of every human being. Indeed, good health is the first condition of happiness in life. Those who play games generally maintain good health. Games are an excellent means of bodily exercise. Whether it is sophisticated games like hockey, football and tennis or simple games like Kabaddi, they provide the much needed exercise to the body and thus keep the body healthy and strong.

44) **Identify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly**

- a) Saranya is not only a writer but an orator
- b) Arun entered into the room
- c) Earth revolves around the sun
- d) Manoj is senior than Kabilan
- e) One of my friend lives in Madurai

Section - V45) **Quote from memory:****1×5=5**

From : Some water, coal

To : lift and drive

Part - IV46) **Write a paragraph about 150 words by developing the following hints 2×8=16**

- a) Dr.Ashok-entrusts his - pet bird - Dr.Krishnan - children excited of his entry - it can speak - 21 - languages - Zigzag - sleeps - endlessly - with heavy snore - no peace at - home - Mrs. Krishnan - not happy - shouts and asks for solutions - no reply - Dr. Krishnan - takes Zigzag to clinic - turn of event - Zigzag - takes - care of - the oderliness - finds - secret - family is happy with his presence.
- b) Holland - dikes - lie below sea level - Peter - prevent - sea water - walks - besides the canal - small hole in the dike - put his finger - Holland - drowned while I am here - The little fellow - and screamed - next morning - a man - notice Peter - alarm - people mended - brave hero

47) **Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below**

- a) Elephants are considered keystone and umbrella species as they play a key role within the environment that they live in. As elephants live in herds and require large habitable areas, they tend to change the surrounding atmosphere from forests to grasslands and help to disburse the seeds in an ecosystem that has no natural means of pollinating the area. An elephant requires around 70 to 100 liters of water everyday. Therefore, the elephants in dry zones and dry seasons, dig holes in riverbeds in order to collect and help sustain water for other. Species as well. The elephants habit of clearing the path they roam has acted as natural buffer zones when forest fires take place

Questions

- i) What are the elephants considered as?
- ii) How many liters of water does an elephant require every day?
- iii) Where do they dig holes to collect water?
- iv) What acts as buffer zones during the forest fires?
- b) **Read the following poem and answer the questions given below**

As we rush, as we rush in the train
 The trees and the houses go wheeling back,
 But the starry heavens above the plain
 Come flying on our track
 All the beautiful stars of the sky
 The silver doves of the forest of Night,
 Over the dull earth swarm and fly
 Companions of our flight
 We will rush ever on without fear,
 Let the goal be far, the flight be fleet!
 For we carry the Heavens with us, dear,
 While the earth slips from our feet!

Questions:

- i) What happens to the trees and the houses when the train speeds?
- ii) How do the sky and star move then?
- iii) How are the stars and night described?
- iv) How does the poet dealt with the Heavens and earth, during the journey?
