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FIRST REVISION EXAMINATION, JANUARY - 2025

Time Allowed : 3.00 Hours]

ENGLISH

[Max. Marks : 90

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. $20 \times 1 = 20$
Choose the most appropriate synonyms for the underlined words from the options given:
- seeing your car up by his insolence of office.
a) gentleness b) modesty c) awareness d) Rudeness
 - I experienced not only agony and fear but also anger.
a) Suffering b) frustration c) confusion d) pride
 - We watched for a few moments; then as trade slackened we went over.
a) increased b) heightened c) reduced d) multiplied
- Choose the most appropriate Synonyms for the underlined in the following sentences:
- He had returned to the hospital because he had a malignant tumour of the bone.
a) serious b) big c) benign d) harmful
 - Far away across the clouds, the great bulk Kanchenjunga loomed on the horizon.
a) emerged b) loosened c) appeared d) Vanished
 - The anticipation of this imagined separation only increase their fondness for the calf.
a) expectancy b) contemplation c) outlook d) ignorance
 - Choose the suitable meaning for the underlined idiom in the following sentence.
At present, the performance of the Indian team is "at a low ebb"
a) at the peak b) out standing c) up to the expectation d) on the decline
 - Which word can be placed before power to form a compound word.
a) head b) house c) horse d) mute
 - Choose the correct American English word for 'spanner'.
a) screw driver b) turner c) wrench d) holder
 - Choose the tetra syllabic word from the given option.
a) expression b) energetic c) merchant d) father
 - Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following statement.
I haven't answered your questions, -----?
a) haven't b) don't I c) did I d) have I
 - Choose the right expansion of NOC.
a) National Optical Company b) Name of the Company
c) No Objection Certificate d) Nation Oriented Company
 - Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word "tour"
a) non b) de c) co d) mis
 - Fill in the blanks with a suitable Relative pronoun.
This is the town ----- I spent my childhood.
a) Which b) Where c) Whom d) Who
 - Choose the right combination for the blended word "modem"
a) mo+dem b) module + demo
c) modulator+demo d) Modulator+demodulator

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16. Choose the clipped form of the word "Public house."
 a) Public b) house c) pub d) Pubse
17. Choose the correct sentence pattern for the following sentence.
 "Judges sentenced him guilty"
 a) SVCA b) SVOA c) SVIDO d) SVOC
18. I ----- drink coffee when I was young. (Use a Semi model verb)
 a) Used to b) ought to c) need to d) dare to
19. Choose the correct plural form of "Curriculum"
 a) Curriculum b) Curriculumes c) Curricula d) Curriculae
20. ----- is one who studies atmosphere, weather and climate.
 a) meteorologist b) geologist c) archeologist d) Seismologist

PART - II

SECTION - 1

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

4x2=8

21. "A gray baboon sits statue - like alone"
 (a) Where did the baboon sit?
 (b) Mention the figure of speech employed here
22. "..... Free imaginations
 Bringing changes into a world resenting change"
 a) How does free imagination help the world?
 b) Identify the figure of speech.
23. "This is my son, mine own Telemachus
 To whom I leave the scepter and the isle"
 a) Who does Ulysses entrust his kingdom to, in his absence?
 b) Bring out the significance of scepter.
24. "All the world's a stage
 And all the men and women merely players"
 a) What is the world compared to?
 b) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line.
25. *Oh then our maze of tunneled stone
 Grew thin and treacherous as air.
 The castle was lost without a groan,
 The famous citadel overthrow.*
 a) What is a citadel?
 b) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
26. *A film the mother - eagle's eye
 When her bruised eaglet breathes.*
 a) Who is compared to the mother eagle in the above lines?
 b) Explain the comparison.

SECTION - 2

Answer any three questions.

3x2=6

27. Bhavin said to me, "Alas! My dog is dead". (Change the sentence into indirect speech)
28. Fill in the blanks. (Change the Voice).
29. Replace the comparative adjective in the following sentence with its positive form.
 Train journey is more comfortable than bus journey.

30. Unless you have a valid passport you cannot leave the country.
(Rewrite as a compound sentence)

PART - III (SECTION - 1)

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

2x3=6

31. "Dear is the Casuarina to my soul"
32. "Tell him too much money had killed men"
33. "To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield"

SECTION - 2

Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.

2x3=6

34. What is 'liberty' according to the old lady?
35. Does George Orwell drinking tea with sugar? Give reasons.
36. What happened in the grand finale?

SECTION - 3

Answer any three of the following questions.

3x3=9

37. You are Sathyan / Sadhana Cultural Secretary of ABC School. Draft a notice inviting the students to participate in the music competition.
38. Write a dialogue of at least 6 utterances between a teacher and a parent.
39. Describe the process of preparing butter milk for four persons.
40. Complete the proverbs.
a) ----- is the best policy. (Punctuality / Honesty / Sincerity)
b) ----- makes a man. (Money / power / Manners)
c) ----- was not built in a day. (India / Rome / Italy?)

PART - IV

Answer the following in a paragraph in about 150 words.

7x5=35

41. a) What do you infer from Gardiner's essay 'On the rule of the Road'?
b) "These two children had given me a profound lesson" Elucidate.
42. a) Describe the various stages of a man's life pictured in the poem "All the World's Stage."
(OR)
b) Summarise the poem - Ulysses.

(OR)

43. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words, by developing the given hints.
a) Robert Baldwin an honest man - fraud in a bank - Gresham arrested - pressurized Baldwin - to falsely declare - offered huge bribe- Baldwin refused - family members tempted - ashamed of greed - stood for justice - Gresham confessed - Baldwin rewarded.

(OR)

- b) Life of Venus - other planet - raining for seven years - school children 9 nine years old - forgotten the sun - appeared once in 7 years - Margot from Earth - came five years before - children hated her- locked her in a room - sun came - only for two hours - rained again - unlocked the door - let Margot out - missed the chance.
44. a) Make notes or summarise the following passage.

Of the six outer planets, Mars, commonly called the Red Planet, is closest to Earth. Mars 4,200 miles in diameter and 55 percent of the size of Earth, is 34,600,000 miles from Earth, and 141,000,000 miles from the Sun. It takes this planet along with its two moons, Phobos and Deimos, 1.88 years to circle the Sun, compared to 365 days for the Earth.

For many years, Mars had been thought of as the planet with the man-made canals supposedly discovered by an Italian astronomer, Schiaparelli in 1877. With the United States space craft Viking I's landing on Mars in 1976, the man made canal theory was proven to be only a myth.

Viking I, after landing on the soil of Mars, performed many scientific experiments and took numerous pictures. The pictures showed that the red colour of the planet is due to the reddish, rocky Martian soil. No biological life was found, though it had been speculated by many scientists. The Viking also monitored many weather changes including violent dust storms. Some water vapour, polar ice, and perma frost, (frost below the surface) were found, indicating that at one time there were significant quantities of water on this distant planet. Evidence collected by the spacecraft shows some present volcanic action, though the volcanoes believed to be dormant, if not extinct. (OR)

- b) Write a paragraph on your favourite person.
45. a) Write an application for the post of personal Secretary to the Managing Director of a company. Include the following details: Educational qualification, experience, various other qualifications required for the post. (OR)

- b) Write a letter to your friend telling him/her you celebrated your new year 2023.
46. (a) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them.

- (i) There is a whole in the shirt.
 (ii) Rakesh works at an university.
 (iii) I will be there in a hour.
 (iv) I entered the room for search the documents.
 (v) I go to the bed at eight every night. (OR)

- (b) Fill in the blanks appropriately.

- (i) The wound in his ----- took a long time to -----.(heel / heal)
 (ii) Fill in the blanks in the following sentence with the quasi - model verb.
 You ----- not read all the chapters.
 (iii) The story tries to relate history to science -----?(appropriate question tag)

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

Once a bee - fee into a pond - a pigeon flew past - dropped a leaf - bee climbed on leaf - escaped - a hunter - aimed at pigeon - the bee stung - lost his aim - pigeon escaped.(OR)

- b) Read the following passage and answer the question given below.

"The Little Tramp", the unforgettable character Charlie Chaplin invented, was born purely by accident in 1915, While rushing to a film shoot in California, he grabbed clothes what other people had left behind in the changing room. And when he emerged, he found, he had created a personality every body loved a little guy in a bowler hat, a close-fitting jacket, a cane, a pair of out sized shoes and a brush-like moustache.

Before long, Chaplin found himself a star. That puzzled him, for he saw himself essentially as a shy British Music Hall comedian. The U.S., acknowledged him as its king of silent film comedy. Soon, so did crowds all over the world.

But life wasn't always a laugh for Charles Spencer Chaplin. Both his parents were Music Hall artists, who separated when Charlie was very young. His childhood was very sad, for his mother never earned enough to look after her children. Sometimes, Chaplin had to sleep on the streets.

Charlie took his first bow on the stage, when his mother made her last appearance. it happened when her voice broke during a song. Her son stepped on stage and sang a popular song. That's when a star was born.

Questions:

- a) Which unforgettable character did Charlie Chaplin invent?
 b) Describe the personality created by Charlie, whom everybody loved.
 c) What did Charlie see himself as?
 d) Give one reason to show that Charlie's early life was very sad.
 e) Find the word in the passage that is opposite in meaning to "tragedy".