



Standard 10

Time: 3.00 Hrs.

ENGLISH

Marks: 100

PART - I

14×1=14

Choose the correct **SYNONYMS** of the italicised words given below:

- 1) The sight of the food *maddened* him.
a) infuriate b) drive insane c) irritate d) unbalance
- 2) They began to *ransack* the floor.
a) search b) hide c) close d) clean
- 3) It is a 55 foot sailing vessel built *indigenously* in India.
a) unnaturally b) artificially c) naturally d) officially

Choose the appropriate **ANTONYMS** of the underlined words given below:

- 4) But now feelings as a doctor *aroused*.
a) argued b) subdued c) exposed d) argued
- 5) How *cranky* he was!
a) scratchy b) irritable c) stable d) irrelevant
- 6) I guess technology makes your life *easier*.
a) interesting b) upsetting c) harder d) benefiting
- 7) Choose the correct plural form of 'deer' from the following:
a) deers b) deer c) dear d) dears
- 8) Attach a suitable prefix to the word "legal":
a) un b) en c) il d) dis
- 9) The common expansion of *NOC* is
a) National Optical Company b) Name of the Company
c) No Objection Certificate d) Nation Oriented Company
- 10) Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below:
They _____ their new edition of books.
a) brought out b) brought up c) brought to d) brought in
- 11) Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'tooth' to form a compound word:
a) powder b) paste c) ache d) all the above
- 12) Fill in the blanks with most appropriate preposition given below:
He even gnawed at the dried pieces _____ eggshell.
a) to b) off c) by d) of
- 13) Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below:
If I were a millionaire, I _____ the needy.
a) would help b) would have helped c) will help d) can help
- 14) Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives:
I forgot _____ I had to meet the principal.
a) whether b) that c) if d) and

PART - II

Section - I

3×2=6

Answer any **THREE** of the following questions in a sentence or two:

- 15) What was the daily routine of Mr. Sanyal?
- 16) What prompted the seagull to fly finally?
- 17) Mention the special features of INSV Tarini.
- 18) What were the various things that tempted Mr. Franz to spend his day outdoors?

Section - II

3×2=6

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any **THREE** of the following:

- 19) There is a family nobody likes to meet:

They live, it is said, on complaining street

- a) Where does the family live?
- b) Why do you think the street is named as 'complaining street'?



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- 20) **They, too, aware of sun and air and water,
Are fed by peaceful harvests, by war's long winter starv'd**
a) What is common for all of us?
b) Mention the season referred here.
- 21) **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?
- 22) **Let me but live my life from year to year,
With forward face and reluctant soul.**
a) Whom does the word 'me' refer to?
b) What kind of life does the poet want to lead?

Section - III

3×2=6

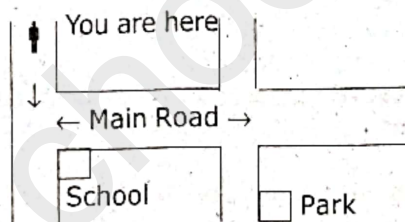
Answer any THREE of the following:

- 23) **Rewrite the following sentence in Active voice:**
You are advised not to be careless.
- 24) **Rewrite using Indirect speech:**
He said, "I am glad they are strong".
- 25) **Punctuate the following sentence:**
this is madness holmes i said
- 26) **Transform the following sentence as directed (to simple sentence):**
As soon as the children saw the teacher, they stood up.
- 27) **Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences:**
a) at once / church - clock / twelve / all / the / struck.
b) celebrated / at / festivals / sea / we

Section - IV**Answer the following questions:**

1×2=2

- 28) A stranger wants to visit the park. Write the steps to guide him to reach his destination.

**PART - III****Section - I**

2×5=10

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines:

- 29) 'Technology is a boon to the disabled' - Justify.
- 30) Describe the struggles undergone by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.
- 31) How did Watson help his friend to arrest the criminal?
- 32) 'Man does change with time' - What were the various changes that came about in Aditya?

Section - II

2×5=10

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines:

- 33) What is the central theme of the poem 'No men are foreign'?
- 34) How are today's women portrayed by the poet Naraine Shirke?
- 35) **Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below:**
Beside the house sits a tree,
It never grows leaves,
Not in the winter, spring summer or fall,
It just sits there, never getting small or ever growing tall,
How could this be?
a) Identify the rhyme scheme of the given lines.
b) Identify the rhyming words of the given lines.
c) Identify the figure of speech in the first line.
d) Pick out the alliterating words.

- 36) **Paraphrase the following stanza:**
 The weather is always too hot or cold;
 Summer and winter a like they scold,
 Nothing goes right with the folks you meet
 Down on that gloomy complaining street.

Section - III

1×5=5

Answer any ONE of the following:

- 37) **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order:**

- He took care of the orderliness in the clinic.
- Zigzag was of a great trouble in the house.
- Dr. Krishnan was surprised at the sudden change in zigzag.
- Gone was zigzag's bored and grumpy expression.
- Dr. Krishnan took him to the clinic.

- 38) **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follows:**

Holland is a country where much of the land lies below sea level. Only great walls called dikes keep the North sea from rushing in and flooding the land. For centuries the people of Holland have worked to keep the walls strong so that their country will be safe and dry. Even the little children know the dikes must be watched every moment, and that a hole no larger than your finger can be a very dangerous thing.

- In which country much of the land lies below sea level?
- What keeps Holland from the North sea?
- Why did people work for centuries to keep the walls strong?
- What do even the little children know?
- What is a very dangerous thing?

Section - IV**Answer any FOUR of the following:**

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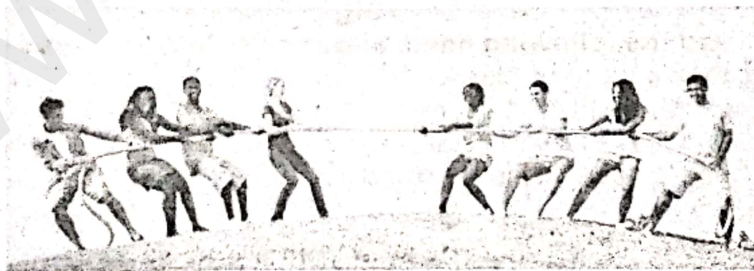
- 39) **Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below:**

Sale of furniture - wooden chairs - dining tables - teak wood tables - comfortable sofa cum bed - all under one roof - door delivery - 20% less - hurry.

- 40) Write a letter to the Editor of a leading newspaper suggesting measures to upgrade the standard about the bad influence of TV channels.

- 41) You are Selvam / Selvi Head boy / Head girl, of your school. Write a notice for your school notice board informing the students about the "Fancy dress competition" that is going to be organised in your school campus on the 10th of next month.

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



- 43) **Make notes or write a summary of the following passage:**

TamilNadu is a state in the south-eastern part of the Indian Peninsula. TamilNadu is previously a part of the United Madras province, which was later partitioned based on languages. TamilNadu has more than 4,000 years of continuous cultural history. TamilNadu has some of the most remarkable temple architecture in the country, and a living tradition of music, dance, folk arts and fine arts. TamilNadu is well renowned for its temple towns and heritage sites, hill stations, waterfalls, national parks, local cuisine and the natural environment and wild life. The state has the largest tourism industry

in India with an annual growth rate of 16%. In 2015, the number of domestic arrivals was 333.5 million making the state the most popular tourist destination in the country and the foreign arrivals numbered 4.68 million, the highest in the country, making it the most popular state for tourism in the country.

44) **Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences:**

- i) Because Sathya was old, he walked slow.
- ii) No sooner did he see the snake when he shouted.
- iii) Though he was hungry but he did not eat.
- iv) His son-in-laws have come home.
- v) A earth goes round the sun.

Section - v

45) **Quote from memory:**

1×5=5

We were taken
..... we ask.

PART - IV

46) **Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:**

2×8=16

- a) The year is 2889 - 25th July - Editor Earth Herald Francis Bennett - Phonotelephone - Elysees - wife - telephotic mirror - phototelegrams from mercury - Jupiter - Gandini - abandoned - cooking - tubes - aero car - Niagara - aero train - centropolis - 600 miles an hour.

(OR)

- b) Prospero and Miranda - island cave - Ariel - storm - the shipwreck - the command - Ferdinand - separated - brought to cave - Miranda meets - both surprised - hard tasks - Ariel brings Alonso and Antonio - both repent - dukedom - marriage of Miranda and Ferdinand.

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

Books are the greatest treasure of mankind. The habit of reading them is a source of pleasure. He, who is in the habit of reading them is a source of pleasure. He, who is in the habit of reading books should buy books for himself. He should start collecting books from his youth. The books collected and arranged properly in a room not only decorates the room but also makes the presence of their authors felt. Books contain eternal truths and are better friends than those of flesh and blood as they not only entertain but also guide us.

Questions:

- i) What are the treasure and what gives pleasure?
- ii) When should one start collecting books?
- iii) What do books contain in them?
- iv) Mention any two uses of reading books.

(OR)

b) **Read the following poem and answer the questions given below:**

I took a piece of plastic clay,
And idly fashioned it, one day,
And as my fingers pressed it, still
It moved and yielded to my will.

I come again, when days were passed
That bit of day was hard at last
The form I gave it, still it bore,
And I could changes that form no more.

Questions:

- i) What did the poet do with the clay?
- ii) How was the clay?
- iii) How was the clay when we returned after some days?
- iv) Did it retain the same form?