

CLASS: XI

FIRST MID TERM-2019

MARKS: 90

QUESTION: 1

ENGLISH

TIME: 2.30 HRS

SECTION - A

I. A) Choose the most appropriate synonym of the underlined lexical item in each of the following sentences. (20 X 1 = 20)

1. She hobbled about the house in spotless white.

- a) walked straight b) walked unsteadily c) walked quickly d) walked happily

2. Hundreds of little birds collected around her creating a veritable bedlam of chirruping.

- a) mistake b) beginning c) ending d) confusion

3. Her lips constantly moved in inaudible prayer.

- a) strong b) meaningful c) careful d) noiseless

B) Choose the most accurate of the four given words which is opposite to the usage of the underlined word in the following sentences.

4. She was distressed that there was no teaching about God and the scriptures.

- a) dejected b) frustrated c) dismayed d) joyful

5. We lifted her off the bed and as is customary laid her on the ground.

- a) normal b) requested c) abnormal d) unaccounted

6. That seemed quite absurd and undignified.

- a) ridiculous b) silly c) reasonable d) strange

C) Answer all the questions.

7. Choose the clipped form of “university”.

- a) versity b) sity c) univ d) varsity

8. Choose the right definition for the given term “entomologist”

- a) studies insects b) studies birds c) studies earthquakes d) studies reptiles

9. Choose the expanded form of “ITI”

- a) Industrial Training Institute b) Industry Training Institute
c) Industrial Trained Institute d) Industrial Tech Institute

10. Choose the meaning of the Idiom “hang out to dry”

- a) in serious difficulty b) sign of something going wrong
c) try any method to overcome a crisis d) abandoning one who is in difficulty

11. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence.

We will stop en route for lunch.

- a) as a whole b) on the way c) a brief summary d) genuine

12. Choose the word from the options given to form a compound word with “bee”

- a) hive b) knob c) piece d) lashes

13. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word “appear”

- a) in - b) non - c) dis - d) en -

14. Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following sentence.
It changes the way people commute in class.....?
a) aren't it b) doesn't it c) didn't it d) do it
15. Complete the sentence choosing the most appropriate modal verb.
In schools, students _____ wear uniforms. It is compulsory.
a) must b) can c) will d) may
16. Complete the sentence choosing the most appropriate semi - modal verb.
Nirmala _____ write perfectly when she was seven.
a) ought to b) need c) dare d) used to
17. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word "constant"
a) -ment b) -ly c) -al d) -ile
18. Replace the underlined phrasal verb into a single word.
The umpire put off the match on account of dim light.
a) cancelled b) invite c) investigate d) postponed
19. Choose the Tri – syllabic word.
a) cucumber b) institution c) alliteration d) people
20. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate conjunction.
You must study well _____ you will fail.
a) but b) and so c) otherwise d) and then

SECTION - B

II. (i) Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four (4) of the following:- (4 × 2 = 8)

21. *But now they only laugh with their teeth,
While their ice-block-cold eyes*
a) Who are 'they'?
b) Explain : ice-block-cold-eyes
22. *'With all my heart I do admire
Athletes who sweat for fun or hire'*
a) Whom does the poet admire?
b) For what reason do the athletes sweat?
23. *'Most of all, I want to relearn
How to laugh, for my laugh in the mirror
Shows only the teeth like a snake's fangs'.*
a) Why does the poet want to relearn how to laugh?
b) Whom does the poet want to relearn from?
24. *'Well, ego it might be pleased enough
But zealous athletes play so rough..'*
a) What pleases the ego?
b) Why are athletes often rough during play?
25. *'When officialdom demands
Is there a doctor in the stands?*
a) Why are doctors called from stands by the sponsors?
b) Why does the poet make such an observation?

(ii) Do as directed:

(3 X 2 = 6)

26. Geetha said to Raja, "Will you help me to pack my bag?". (Change into indirect speech)

27. Muthu did not perform well. He was not selected. (Combine the sentences using 'If')

28. If she had sung well, she would have won the prize.

(Rewrite the sentence making an inversion in the conditional clause)

SECTION - C

(i) Explain any two of the following with reference to the context

(2 X 3 = 6)

29. "There will be no thrice"

30. "I am just glad as glad can be

That I am not them, that they are not me"

31. "Once upon a time, son,

They used to laugh with their eyes"

(ii) Short answers. (Any two)

(2 X 3 = 6)

32. What made the dogs follow the grandmother after school hours?

33. What difficulty did she experience while eating Chinese food?

34. Describe the author's grandmother.

(iii) Answer any three of the following.

(3 X 3 = 9)

35. Complete the following proverbs.

a) Practice makes _____

b) Rome was not built in a _____

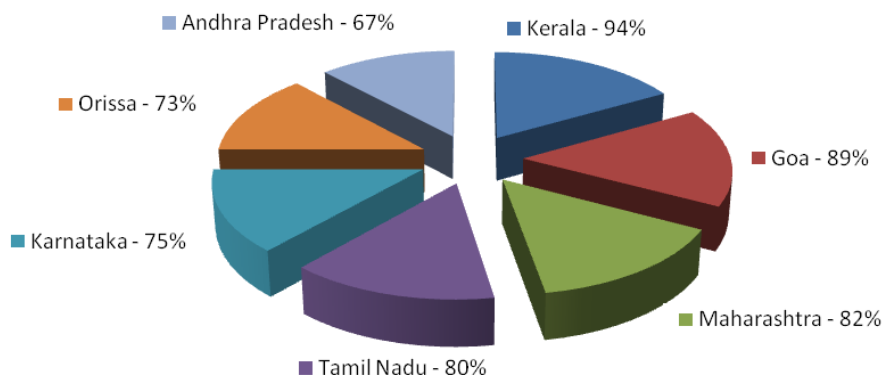
c) As you _____ so you reap.

(day, sow, perfect, human)

36. Describe the process of making tea.

37. Write a dialogue with at least three utterances between Conductor and a Passenger.

38. Write three sentences on your inference about the data given.



SECTION - D

Answer the following questions.

(7 X 5 = 35)

39. Answer in a paragraph (of about 150 words) any one of the following.

a) Describe grandmother's life.

(OR)

b) Describe Mary Kom's personal experience during her first International Championship match from the time of selection to winning the medal.

40. Answer in a paragraph (of about 150 words) any one of the following.

a) Explain the things the poet has learnt when he grew up into an adult.

(OR)

b) Bring out the message of the poem "Confessions of a born spectator"

41. Answer in a paragraph (of about 150 words) any one of the following.

a) Describe the story "After twenty years".

(OR)

b) Write a paragraph about Philip sletherby.

42. Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.

The use of tobacco can also seriously impair the user's health. It can lead to cancer, heart attack, strokes and chronic lung disease. Babies born to mothers who smoke are often smaller and less healthy than babies born to mothers who do not smoke. Bronchitis and pneumonia are serious illness common in babies born to parents who smoke, but less common in babies born to parents who do not smoke. Babies whose parents smoke also have a greater risk of suffering from chronic lung disease after they become adults. We know that alcoholic beverages actually poison the body. Drinking alcohol causes changes in mood and results in lack of judgment and restraint slurred speech staggering and clumsiness. Larger amount of alcohol can produce drowsiness, stupor and even death. People who become addicted to alcoholic beverages are called alcoholics. They drink so much of alcohol that it damages their health completely. They suffer from diseases such as cancer and ulcers more frequently than people who do not use alcohol.

43. Read the following advertisement and prepare a Bio-data considering yourself fulfilling the conditions mentioned.

(Write XXXX for the name and YYYY for the address)

Wanted

FEMALE RECEPTIONIST

Smart graduate with computer knowledge, fluency in English and good communication skills. Preferably 5 years experience. Salary negotiable.

Apply within 10 days to

"The Hindu"

P.O.Box.No.247,

Chennai -2.

44. Identify each of the following sentences with the fields given below:

- a) Spicy food can cause acidity in the stomach.
- b) A painting displayed in the exhibition was beautiful.
- c) The Niligiri's Biosphere has been affected by pollution.
- d) He hit a sixer in the very first over of the match.
- e) For Programming, people use the binary system.

(Sports, environment, computer, nutrition and dietetics, art)

45. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

Preserving Nature is man's prime responsibility. The earth does not belong to us for us and abuse. It belongs to our children. As man became civilized, he slowly lost his attachment with Nature. In his quest for development, man cleared pristine forests and polluted the environment. The magnitude of destruction increased in proportion to the magnitude of his greed. As man drifted away from Nature, his problems increased and his heart became hard and cold. The many calamities, misfortunes and problems of our times are but the manifestation of this greed. This is why we have injured people, animals and environment. If we want to set things right we must reconnect with Nature.

Questions:

- a) What is the prime responsibility of man?
- b) Whom does the earth belong to?
- c) When does man lose attachment with Nature?
- d) What is the manifestation of man's greed?
- e) What do you do to set things right?

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ENGLISH ANSWER KEY

1. b) walked unsteadily
2. d) confusion
3. d) noiseless
4. d) joyful
5. c) abnormal
6. c) reasonable
7. d) varsity
8. a) studies insects
9. a) Industrial Training Institute
10. d) abandoning one who is in difficulty
11. b) on the way
12. a) hive
13. c) dis -
14. b) doesn't it
15. a) must
16. d) used to
17. b) - ly
18. d) postponed

19. a) cucumber
20. c) otherwise
26. Geetha asked Raja if he would help her to pack her bag.
27. If Muthu had performed well, he would have been selected.
28. Had she sung well, she would have won the prize.
44. a) nutrition and dietetics
b) art
c) environment
d) Sports
e) computer

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