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# Language – Part II – ENGLISH – Paper I

Time Allowed : 2½ Hours ]

[ Maximum Marks : 100

- Instructions :**
- (1) Check the question paper for fairness of printing. If there is any lack of fairness, inform the Hall Supervisor immediately.
  - (2) Use **Blue** or **Black** ink to write and underline.

## SECTION - A (VOCABULARY : 20 MARKS) PART - I

1. Choose the most appropriate synonyms of the underlined words. 5x1=5
- Koodankulam is an (i) exceptional place for bird-watchers. One of the greatest (ii) mysteries of bird life is migration. The migration of bird was indeed a (iii) fascinating study. Small birds (iv) seldom exceed 48 km per hour. It is an (v) indispensable duty of the public to take care of that sanctuary.
- (i) (a) common (b) ordinary (c) extraordinary (d) unusual  
(ii) (a) difficult (b) unexplainable (c) usual (d) ordinary  
(iii) (a) awful (b) interesting (c) beautiful (d) dull  
(iv) (a) later (b) always (c) rarely (d) often  
(v) (a) wanted (b) related (c) necessary (d) unwanted
2. Choose the most appropriate antonyms of the underlined words. 5x1=5
- In some poor families, children are (i) forced to do some (ii) domestic work to have a little (iii) surplus income to make both ends meet. Children do not (iv) deserve to be domestic workers. They were treated (v) harshly by their masters.
- (i) (a) voluntary (b) pressed (c) compelled (d) tried  
(ii) (a) private (b) local (c) foreign (d) public  
(iii) (a) more (b) less (c) deficit (d) great  
(iv) (a) unworthy (b) worthy (c) suitable (d) unsuitable  
(v) (a) roughly (b) slowly (c) mildly (d) quickly

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## PART - II

10x1=10

Answer any ten of the following :

3. The common expansion of ONGC is :  
(a) Oil and National Geographic Channel  
(b) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation  
(c) Online National Grievance Circle  
(d) Online Natural Good Corporation
4. Fill in the blank with **correct** Homophone.  
They \_\_\_\_\_ the seed. (so, sow)
5. Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English word.  
He presents a diary to his friend.
6. Which of the words given below can be placed after easy to form a compound word ?  
(a) glory                      (b) going                      (c) allow                      (d) permit
7. What is the plural form of 'mass' ?  
(a) massies                      (b) mases                      (c) masses
8. Attach a 'prefix' to the word 'lock' from the list given below :  
The door has \_\_\_\_\_ lock system.  
(a) inter                      (b) pro                      (c) micro                      (d) en
9. Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning :  
Meena resembles her mother.  
(a) takes off                      (b) takes for                      (c) takes after                      (d) takes away
10. Choose the **correct** syllabification for the given word :  
Panic  
(a) Pa - nic                      (b) Pan - ic
11. Choose the appropriate word :  
As the coffee is very hot, they \_\_\_\_\_ it little by little.  
(a) drink                      (b) sip

12. Construct a sentence using **any one** of the words given below :  
 (a) devote (b) devotee (c) devotion
13. Reframe the sentence using the underlined word as a noun :  
 Students expect to become great.
14. Which of the two sentences given below convey the following meaning ?  
 'It is not yet noon in Delhi.'  
 (a) Just the day breaks.  
 (b) The sun is just above my head.

**SECTION - B**  
**(GRAMMAR - 25 MARKS)**  
**PART - I**

Answer the following :

10x1=10

Respond to the following as directed :

15. Which of the options given below will suit the following sentence ?  
 If she had the book, \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) she will lend me  
 (b) she would lend me  
 (c) she would have lent me
16. Identify the pattern of the following sentence :  
 The children in the classroom made a noise.  
 (a) SVO (b) SVC (c) ASV
17. Choose the **correct** question tag for the following statement :  
 Nirmal will come with you, \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) could he ? (b) won't he ? (c) will you ?
18. Complete the sentence :  
 The fox is \_\_\_\_\_ animal.  
 (a) the cleverest (b) cleverer than (c) one of the cleverest
19. Choose the **correct** sentence which correctly conveys the meaning of the sentence given below :  
 None but you can solve it.  
 (a) Everybody can solve it.  
 (b) Only you can solve it.  
 (c) Few people can solve it.

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20. Complete the sentence with the **correct** prepositional phrase.  
\_\_\_\_\_ he saw the accident, he took the victims to the hospital.  
(a) Due to                      (b) In spite of                      (c) As soon as
21. Choose the **correct** verb form to complete the sentence :  
A kind teacher always makes us \_\_\_\_\_ better.  
(a) learning                      (b) learn                      (c) to learn
22. Choose the **correct** phrase to complete the sentence :  
Kala has \_\_\_\_\_ desire to become an IAS.  
(a) to burning                      (b) in burning                      (c) a burning
23. Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence :  
Hardwork is \_\_\_\_\_ key to success.  
(a) the                      (b) a                      (c) an
24. Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence :  
The child hides \_\_\_\_\_ her mother.  
(a) before                      (b) after                      (c) behind

**PART - II**

Answer the following :

Rewrite as directed.

5x2=10

25. Combine the two sentences into a single sentence.  
Ram was tired. He could not play well.
26. Rewrite the sentence using the passive voice.  
Mala will break the promise or she will follow my advice.
27. Rewrite the sentence in direct speech.  
Our Headmaster warned us not to watch T.V. during the study holidays and ordered us to come to the Examination hall punctually.
28. From the context of the two sentences given below, frame a single sentence using the 'if' clause.  
Eat well. You will become healthy.

29. Read the following sentences and write an observation in a single sentence using **any one** of the degrees of comparison.
- Ram has 12 pencils in his box.  
 Ravi has 15 pencils in his box.  
 Sunder has 7 pencils in his box.  
 Shiva has 10 pencils in his box.  
 Simbu has 2 pencils in his box.

### PART - III

30. Punctuate the following sentence : 1x5=5  
 the teacher said to her why are you troubling me today ?

### SECTION - C (PROSE : 15 MARKS)

#### PART - I

Answer briefly **any five** of the following questions **not exceeding 30 words each** : 5x2=10

31. Why was Hughie angry with Trevor ?
32. What happened in the Nazi camps ?
33. What makes students give way to emotions easily ?
34. What is "global warming" ?
35. Labour Laws face the challenge of implementation - why ?
36. What are the dangers and hardships faced by migrating birds ?
37. What are the places did the author visit in Thanjavur ?

#### PART - II

Answer **any one** of the following questions in a paragraph **not exceeding 120 words** :

38. (a) How did the Americans overcome from the incidents "The Fall of the Twin Towers" ? 1x5=5

OR

- (b) How should employers with a change in attitude treat their domestic workers ?

OR

- (c) Describe the pillars, inscriptions and vimanam in the Brihadeeswarar Temple in Thanjavur.

**SECTION - D**  
**(POETRY - 20 MARKS)**

**PART - I**

Quote from memory **any one** of the following extracts :

39. (a) Five lines of the poem ; "Manliness."  
From : If you can dream.  
To : ..... nerve and sinew.

**OR**

- (b) Five lines of the poem, "Migrant bird."  
From : I breed my brood .....  
To : ..... and make them last.

**PART - II**

Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions given below :

40. Taking me back down the vista of years, till I see  
Where was the poet taken to ?
41. If you can fill the unforgiving minute  
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,  
Which is valuable ?
42. Harmonic Cacophony to oblivious ears  
The tempo is fickle -  
What does the word 'tempo' mean ?
43. We ran as if to meet the moon  
that slowly dawned behind the trees,  
Whom does 'we' refer to ?
44. Or all day, we drive the wheels of iron  
In the factories, round and round"  
What do the children drive ?

**PART - III**

Read the following lines from the poems you have studied and answer the questions given below :

45. The barren boughs without the leaves,  
Without the birds, without the breeze.  
Pick out the alliterated words in these lines.

46. Then, what gems would we see ?  
Perhaps a beautiful heart  
What is the figure of speech used in this line ?

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5x1=5

47. .... I weep like a child for the past."  
What is the figure of speech used in this line ?
48. Our knees tremble sorely in the stooping....  
We fall upon our faces, trying to go;  
And, underneath our heavy eyelids drooping,  
The reddest flower would look as pale as snow.  
Pick out the rhyming words in these lines.
49. If you can force your heart, and nerve and sinew  
To serve your turn long after they are gone.  
And so hold on when there is nothing in you  
Except the will which says to them, "Hold on".  
What is the rhyming scheme used in these lines ?

## PART - IV

Answer **any one** of the following questions in a paragraph **not exceeding 120 words** :

50. (a) What are the poet's reminiscences about his childhood days ? 1x5=5
- OR
- (b) Describe the experiences of the children on their way to the brook to seek water.
- OR
- (c) How does the bird's life differ from the life of human beings ?

## SECTION - E

## (LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS - 20 MARKS)

51. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 5x2=10
- Preserving Nature is man's prime responsibility. The earth does not belong to us to use and abuse. It belongs to our children. As man became civilised, he slowly lost his attachment with Nature. In his quest for development, man destroyed 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. Many calamities, misfortunes and problems of our times are but the manifestation of this greed. This is why we have injured people, animals and the 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 the man lose attachment with Nature ?
- (d) What are the manifestation of the greed ?
- (e) How do you preserve the Nature ?