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Language – Part B – ENGLISH – Paper I

548139

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 Black or Blue ink to write.

Note : This question paper contains Five Sections.

SECTION - I  
(VOCABULARY : 20 MARKS)

PART - I

1. Choose the appropriate synonyms of the underlined words :

5x1=5

Vishals' greatest (i) accomplishment is his ability to (ii) articulate his words. But the task was (iii) exacting when he went through his training. Today he can speak a (iv) torrent of words without making a mistake either in pronunciation or intonation. His (v) exceptional skill has won him many awards in oratorical competition.

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| (i) (a) aptitude      | (b) achievement   |
| (c) attitude          | (d) boon          |
| (ii) (a) speak loudly | (b) speak softly  |
| (c) speak harshly     | (d) speak clearly |
| (iii) (a) demanding   | (b) accurate      |
| (c) perfecting        | (d) painful       |
| (iv) (a) storm        | (b) drizzle       |
| (c) outpour           | (d) sprout        |
| (v) (a) abnormal      | (b) unusual       |
| (c) strange           | (d) odd           |

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2. Choose the appropriate antonyms of the underlined words :

5x1=

An immense (i) crowd gathered at the M.C.C stadium. The photographers were eager to capture (ii) pictures of the fastest (iii) bowler Shoib Akhtar in action. Sachin Tendulkar faced the balls in a brave (iv) manner and helped India win the match. Sachin indeed is an indispensable (v) player for India.

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| (i)   | (a) small     | (b) great     |
|       | (c) enough    | (d) immediate |
| (ii)  | (a) call      | (b) release   |
|       | (c) attack    | (d) flight    |
| (iii) | (a) cruellest | (b) biggest   |
|       | (c) heaviest  | (d) slowest   |
| (iv)  | (a) bold      | (b) slow      |
|       | (c) timid     | (d) petty     |
| (v)   | (a) important | (b) essential |
|       | (c) avoidable | (d) exposed   |

### PART - II

Answer any ten of the following :

10x1=

3. The common expansion of CAT is :
- Common Aptitude Test
  - Computer Aptitude Test
  - Computer Accuracy Test
  - Computer Accessories Test
4. Choose the sentence that is correct in meaning :
- Ours is a big clock.
  - Hours is a big clock
5. Replace the underlined word with its equivalent in American English :  
Could you please pass me the jug of milk.
6. Which of the words given below can be placed after the word air to form a compound word ?
- |         |          |          |          |
|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| (a) sea | (b) port | (c) pool | (d) loom |
|---------|----------|----------|----------|

7. What is the plural form of the word 'crisis' ?  
(a) crisis (b) crises (c) criteria
8. Add a prefix to the word obey from the list given below to complete the sentence :  
Children should not \_\_\_\_\_ obey their elders.  
(a) mis (b) dis (c) in (d) un
9. Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning.  
The match was postponed due to heavy rain.  
(a) put off (b) put up with (c) put on (d) put in
10. Separate the syllables of *any one* of the following :  
(a) entertainment (b) about (c) Random
11. Choose the appropriate word to make a meaningful sentence.  
Kannan has \_\_\_\_\_ his homework.  
(a) fulfilled (b) completed
12. Construct a sentence using one of the following words given below :  
(a) diminish (b) diminishing (c) diminished
13. Reframe the sentence using the underlined word as a verb :  
Migration of birds is a regular event.
14. Which of the two sentences given below conveys the following meaning.  
Prakash never comes to school on time.  
(a) Prakash usually comes to school on time.  
(b) Prakash always comes late to school.

SECTION - II  
(GRAMMAR : 25 MARKS)  
PART - I

Answer all the following.

Respond to the following as directed.

15. Which of the options given below will suit the following sentence ?

If this morning had been sunny, \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) We would go for a picnic
- (b) We would have gone for a picnic
- (c) We will have gone for a picnic

16. Identify the pattern of the following sentence :

I shall meet you tomorrow.

- (a) SVO
- (b) SVIDO
- (c) SVOA

17. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement :

Our team will win the match \_\_\_\_\_?

- (a) won't it
- (b) will it
- (c) isn't it

18. Complete the sentence :

This mango is \_\_\_\_\_ that mango

- (a) as sweet as
- (b) sweeter
- (c) sweetest

19. Choose the sentence which correctly conveys the meaning of the sentence below :

Can anyone forget October 2<sup>nd</sup> ?

- (a) Everyone can forget October 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- (b) Nobody can forget October 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- (c) Everyone should not remember 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

20. Complete the sentence with the correct prepositional phrase :  
He resigned \_\_\_\_\_ illness.  
(a) in the event of (b) in spite of (c) on account of
21. Choose the correct verb form to complete the sentence :  
I started \_\_\_\_\_ too, but for a different reason.  
(a) to be crying (b) crying (c) cry
22. Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence :  
The man got promotion \_\_\_\_\_ hard.  
(a) at working (b) through working (c) on working
23. Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence :  
Ravi stayed with his uncle \_\_\_\_\_ six months.  
(a) by (b) in (c) for
24. Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence :  
"What \_\_\_\_\_ amazing model!" Whispered Hughie.  
(a) the (b) an (c) a

**PART - II**

Answer all questions :

5x2=10

Rewrite as directed.

25. Combine the two sentences into a single sentence :  
Kumar is poor. He helps many persons.
26. Rewrite the sentence in the other voice :  
The grand mother look after the children  
They admire her very much.
27. Rewrite the sentence in the indirect speech :  
Sundari said to priya "Where are you going now ?"

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28. Rewrite the sentence using if clause :  
Kalai did not have a cycle. He did not reach school early.
29. Read the following sentences. Write your observation in a single sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison :
- Tamil is easy to study  
Science is also easy to study  
Social is very easy to study  
English is not an easy subject to study

**PART - III**

30. Punctuate the following sentence :  
What will he think of me said my friend.

**SECTION - III****(PROSE : 15 MARKS)****PART - I**

Answer briefly any five of the following questions. Your answer should not exceed 30 words. 5x

31. What was Hughie's financial status ?
32. How did the people express their grief over the Fall of Twin Towers ?
33. What according to Gokhale are the two valuable qualities to be practised by a student ?
34. What was the first meal of the day for Chaya's children ?

35. What are the causes for the increase of domestic workers ?
36. Can you think of a few sources of danger birds face during migration ?
37. What is the speciality of the vimanam at the Brihadeesvarar Temple at Tanjavur.

**PART - II**

Answer in a paragraph **any one** of the following questions. Your paragraph should not exceed 120 words. 1x5=5

38. Describe the courageous way the Americans overcome the fall of the Twin Towers ?

**OR**

How is character important in life ?

**OR**

What makes the Brihadeesvarar temple unique and outstanding ?

**SECTION - IV**

**(POETRY : 20 MARKS)**

**PART - I**

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

**1x5=5**

39. (a) Five lines from the poem - Going for Water

From: We ran as .....

To : ..... We paused.

- (b) Five lines from the poem "Migrant Bird"

From: I breed my .....

To : ..... Make them last.

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## PART - II

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

40. The griefs and hates and all the meaner parts  
That balances thy one grin misgotten pile.  
Whom does they refer to ?
41. If you can dream and not make dreams your master  
If you can think and not make thoughts your aim.  
How can dreams become our master ?
42. Ready to run hiding new,  
With daughter when she found us soon.  
Whom does the word "she" refers to ?
43. I won't look down, no I will not.  
With speed of wings I hasten past.  
Who is the speaker of these lines ?
44. The days of toil  
Hammer and chisel laid aside  
Why are the hammer and chisel laid aside,

## PART - III

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

45. So now it is vain for the singer to burst into clamour  
with the great black piano appassionate the glomour  
pick out the rhyming words in the above lines.



46. With speed of wings I hasten past  
And close my eyes against the sun  
To dream my dreams and make them last.  
Pick out the rhyme scheme in the above lines.

He steps back survey with  
Close scrutiny then sharp critical glare

47. Write the words which are in alliteration in the above lines.

Now drops that floated on the pool like pearls.

48. What is the figure of speech used in the above line ?

A creature of that old distorted dream.

49. Pick out the words in alliteration in this line.

#### PART - IV

Answer in a paragraph *any one* of the following questions. Your answer should not exceed 120 words. 1x5=5

50. What are the poet's reminiscences of his childhood days ?

OR

Describe the tragic state of the children as portrayed in the poem "The cry of the children".

OR

How does the birds' life differ from that of human beings ?

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## SECTION - V

## (LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS : 20 MARKS)

51. Read the given passage and answer the following questions :

5x2=10

Pollution is an undesirable change in physical, chemical and biological characteristics of our land, air and water caused by excessive accumulation of pollutants. The pollutants like Carbon-di-oxide, Sulphur-di-oxide and Nitrogen oxide cause air pollution. The gas Sulphur-di-oxide produces acid rain. Due to acid rain buildings and plant materials are damaged. The increase of these causes global warming also. The average increase in the temperature of atmosphere is called global warming. This is otherwise known as green house effect. This leads to the rise of sea level due to the melting of glaciers. The expansion of water will engulf many parts of this country. July 1998 was the hottest month world over.

**Questions :**

- (a) What is pollution ?
- (b) Name a few pollutants ?
- (c) What is global warming ?
- (d) What is the significance of July 1998 ?
- (e) The melting of glaciers makes the sea - level \_\_\_\_\_.

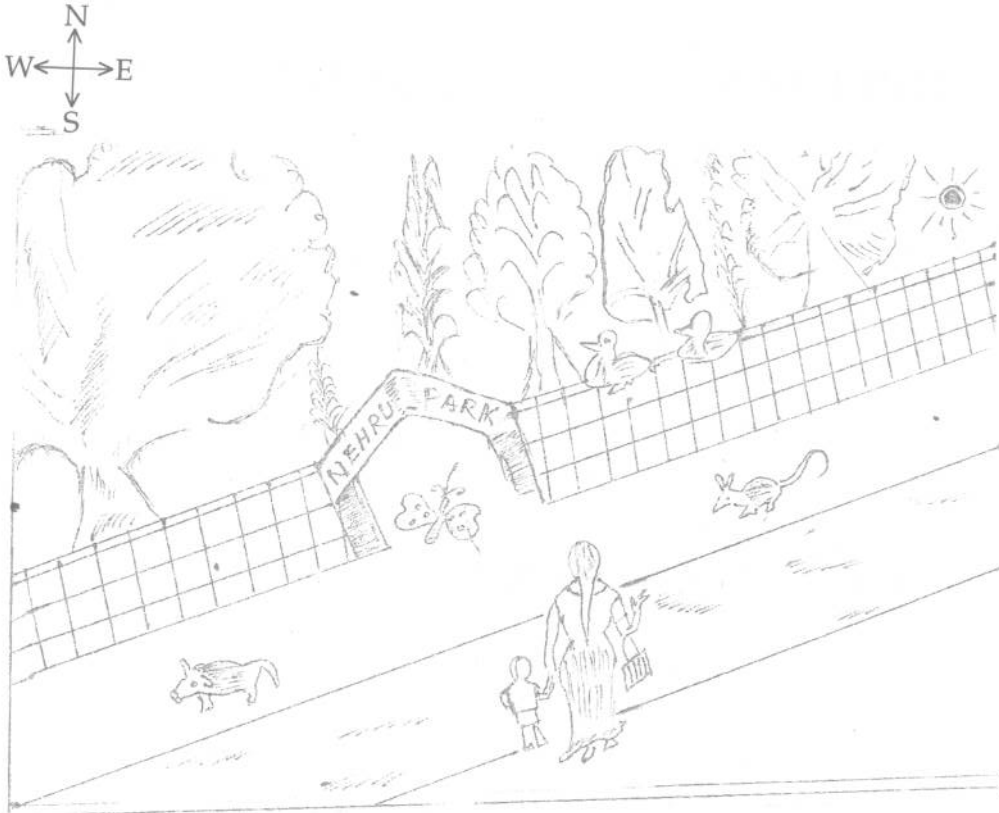
52. Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences :

5x1=5

- (a) I walked fast and I missed the bus.
- (b) He told to me a story.
- (c) I have been living in this house since five years.
- (d) The deer runs fastly.
- (e) He arranged the furniture properly.

53. Look at the picture given below and answer the following questions in one or two sentences of your own :

5x1=5



**Questions :**

- Which place do you see in this picture ?
- Who are going to the park ?
- Is the park a shady place ? Why do you say so ?
- Is the time of day morning or evening ?
- If you go to a park, What would you do there ?