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## GOVT. MODEL QUESTION PAPER

## XII - STANDARD <br> English

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## PART I

Answer all the questions.
(20×1=20)
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. Nicola was glaring at his young brother in vexation.
a) approval
b) appreciation
c) annoyance
d) admiration
2. Suffering seems so cruelly prevalent in the world today.
a) common
b) scarce
c) abundant
d) meagre
3. Seeing your ear pulled up by his insolence of office, feel that your liberty has been outraged.
a) calmness
b) rudeness
c) closeness
d) attraction

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words form the options given.
4. Let me state unequivocally that Tamil is one of the greatest classical literatures and traditions of the world.
(Deleted portion)
a) ambiguously
b) clearly
c) unmistakebly
d) undoubtedly
5. China tea has virtues, which are not be despised.
a) hated
b) loath
c) averted
d) liked
6. One night, we came upon them in the windy and deserted square.
a) inhabited
b) unoccupied
c) crowded
d) shrouded
7. Choose the correct compound word for the combination "clear out".
a) Adjective + Verb
b) Gerund + Verb
c) Noun + Noun
d) Noun + Verb
8. Choose the correct expansion of 'GDP'.
a) Gross Domestic Product
b) Gross Domestic Purchase
c) Great Demand for Purchase
d) Great Domestic Purchase
9. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence. English is the liugua Francea of many countries.
a) Mother language
b) Foreign language
c) Unknown language
d) Common language
10. Choose the right combination for the blended word "diplonomics".
a) diplo + economics
b) diplomacy + economy
c) diplo + economy
d) diplomacy + economics
11. Choose the clipped word for "pianoforte".
a) fort
b) pite
c) piano
d) piaforte
12. 'Study of codes' is called
a) Cynology
b) Cryptology
c) Criminology
d) cytology
13. Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word "argue".
a) contra
b) counter
c) bi
d) pre
14. Fill in the blanks with a suitable relative pronoun. He $\qquad$ hesitates is lost.
a) whose
b) whom
c) who
d) that
15. Fill in the blanks with a suitable preposition.

Here is the watch that you asked $\qquad$ .
a) of
b) from
c) for
d) at
16. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement.

Let's go to the beach $\qquad$ ?
a) don't we
b) do we
c) shall we
d) didn't we
17. Choose the suitable meaning of the idiom found in the following sentence.
When asked to reconsider his decision, he put his foot down.
a) accepted
b) refused
c) felt happy
d) grew angry
18. Substitute the underlined word with the appropriate polite alternative.
She is a fat woman.
a) bulky
b) obese
c) full - figured
d) heavy weight
19. Choose the correct sentence pattern for the following sentence.
The headmaster sent the latecomer out.
a) SVCA
b) SVOA
c) SVOC
d) SVIODO
20. Fill in the blank with a suitable phrasal verb.

Prajeeth is $\qquad$ a placement in Australia.
a) longing on
b) longing to
c) longing for
d) longing of

## PART II / Section - 1

## Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it. <br> ( $4 \times 2=8$ )

21. "Our gates are strong, our walls were thick.

So smooth and high, no man could win"
a) How safe was the castle?
b) What was the firm belief of the solider?
22. A creeper climbs, in whose embrace bound No other tree could live".
a) Which tree is referred to in the above lines?
b) How does the tree survive the tight hold of the creeper?
23. Then the whining school boy, with his sachel And shinning morning face, creeping like snail unwillingly to school".
a) Which stage of life is being referred to here by the poet?
b) What are the characteristics of this stage?
24. $\qquad$ for my purpose holds.
To sail beyond the sunset, and the baths
Of all the western stars, until I die.
a) What was Ulysses' purpose in life?
b) How long would his venture last?
25. 'Let him have lazy days seeking his deeper motives Let him seek deep for where he is born natural"
a) Why does the son need lazy days?
b) What is the figure of speech used here?
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) What are the alliterated words?

## Section-2

Answer the three of the following questions.
27. Report the following dialogue.

Customer : Do you have a thesaurus?
Shop owner : Yes. We have. Which publication do you want?
28. I was ill. I did not attend the exam.
(combine using 'if')
29. Rewrite the sentence making an inversion in the conditional clause.
If I had a car, I would drop you.
30. I watched a fantastic movie.
(change the following into a complex sentence).

## PART III / Section-1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.
31. "They seemed no threat to us at all".
32. "Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel, seeking the bubble reputation"
33. I'm Killed, sire! "And his chief beside

Smiling, the boy fell dead.

## Section-2

Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
34. What were the various jobs undertaken by Nicola and Jacopo?
35. How did the hospitalization of Dr. Barnad and his wife affect their routine?
36. Define liberty as perceived by A.G. Gardiner.

## Section-3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $3 \times 3=9$ )
37. Study the pie chart given and answer the questions that follow.

a) Which is the most favourite game of the students?
b) Name of game preferred by the least number of students.
c) Which two games have equal number of students?
38. Write a dialogue of minimum 3 exchanges between a student and a cultural secretary.
39. Describe the process of preparing onion raita.
40. Complete the proverbs using the word given below.
a) Brevity is the $\qquad$ of wit. (base, soul, root)
b) $\qquad$ alone triumphs. (truth, god, love)
c) A man is known by the $\qquad$ he keeps. (company, neighbor, relatives)

## PART IV

## Answer the following questions.

## Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.

41. Justify the title of the story "Two gentlemen of Verona".
(or)
How does George L. Hart justify the statement that Tamil is a classical language? (Deleted portion)
42. Describe the various stages of a man's life picturised in the poem "All the World's a Stage".

The young soldier matched his emperor in courage and patriotism. Elucidate your answer.

## 43. Write the paragraph in about 150 words by developing the following hints.

Ivan Dimitrich Aksionov - merchant in Vladimir - prone to drinking - goes to fair on business - meets another merchant retire separately - stopped by the police - Charged of murder and robbery - sentenced and sent to Siberia - 26 years in jail - new prisoner Maker Semyonich - admits his crime - Aksionov dies.
(or)
Group of school children - planet Venus raining for seven years - predicted sun - for two hours - children in activity - Margot thin girl - not mingling - children locked her in a closet - sun appeared - children played - rain clouds appeared - unlocked the closet - Margot came out - power of sun.

## 44. Write a summary (or) make notes of the following

 passage.The aim of education is to enable the human personality to grow to its full stature. We have a body, a mind and a spirit. Accordingly, education aims at our physical, intellectual, spiritual and moral development.

Games are a means of keeping the body healthy and fit. Physical and freedom from all kinds of aliments are the desire and ambition of every human being. Indeed, good health is the first condition of happiness In life. Those who play games generally maintain good health. Games are an excellent means of bodily exercise. Whether it is sophisticated games like hockey, football and tennis or simple games like kabaddi, they provide the much needed exercise to the body and thus keep the body healthy
and strong. Players always have a better appetite and a better digestion than those who play no games or do exercise. Games not only make the body healthy and strong, but also make it muscular.
45. You have got job offer for the post of clerk at Cheyyar Constructions Pvt Ltd, Mount Road, Chennai -2, but cannot join on time due to some urgent work at home. Write a letter to the HR (Human Resource Manager) of that company, and in your letter.
Say why you are writing.
Explain your situation.
What you want to request from Manager (Write XXX for your name and YYY for your address).
(or)
Write a paragraph of 150 words on "Newspaper Reading".

## 46. Spot the errors and rewrite the sentences correctly

a) He gave a lot of advices.
b) I have finished my meals.
c) They discussed about politics.
d) Though he is ill, but he attends the class.
e) If they had contacted me, I would help them.
(or)

## Fill in the blanks correctly.

a) I can't $\qquad$ the heat, if I go on $\qquad$ foot. (bare, bear)
b) $\qquad$ you excuse me for a moment?
(use a modal verb)
c) You $\qquad$ not lose any more weight. You are already slim. (use a semi modal verb)
d) My brother $\qquad$ (buy) a bike recently. (use a proper tense)
47. Identify each of the following sentence with the fields given below:
a) India, U.K. Oncologists collaborate.
b) Ganesha idols immersed.
c) Kejriwal wins the confidence vote.
d) Sunflower oil cuts down cholesterol.
e) Green tea plantation in Ooty.
[Health, Medicine, Agriculture, Religion, Politics]
(or)

## Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words.

Kabbadi is a contact team sport that originated in Tamil Nadu. It is the national sport of Bangladesh. Kabbadi is played between two teams of seven players, and the objective of the game is for a single player on offence referred to us as a 'raider' to run in to the opposing team half of a court, tag out as many of their defenders as possible, and return to their own half of the court-all without being tackled by the defenders. Points are scored for each player tagged or tackled, but can be revived for each point scored by their team from a tag or tackle. The raider should hold his breath and utter the words like "kabbadi, kabbadi" "hututu hututu, chadu kudu", etc,. while the opponents try to catch him. If he stops uttering those words, he is considered out.
a) Kabbadi is a national sport of $\qquad$ .
b) Kabbadi is played between two teams of $\qquad$ players.
c) How does a raider score points for this team?
d) When does a raider concede point to the opponent team?
e) Can a player be revived when he/she is out of the game?

## Key Answers

## GOVL. MODEL QUESTION PAPER

| 1. c | 2.a | 3. b | 4. a | 5. d | 6. a | 7. d | 8. a |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9. d | 10. d | 11. c | 12. b | 13. b | 14. c | 15.c | 16. c |
| 17. b | 18. c | 19. b | 20. c |  |  |  |  |

27. Customer asked the shop owner if he had a thesaurus. The Shop owner said that he had and asked him which publication he wanted.
28. If I had not been ill, I would have attended the exam.
29. Had I a car, I would drop you.
30. I watched a movie which was fantastic.
31. 

a) Cricket
b) Lawn tennis
c) Hockey and Volley ball
40.
a) soul
b) truth
c) company
46. a) He gave a lot of advice.
b) I have finished my meal.
c) They discussed politics.
d) Though he is ill, he attends the class. (or) He is ill but he attends the class.
e) If they had contacted me, I would have helped them.
a) bear, bare
c) need
b) could/will
d) has bought
47. a) Medicine b) Religion c) Politics d) Health e) Agriculture (or)
a) Kabbadi is a national sport of Bangladesh.
b) Kabbadi is played between two teams of seven players.
c) Points are scored for each player tagged or tackled, but can be revived for each point scored by their team from a tag or tackle.
d) When a raider return to their own half of the court he concedes point to the opposite team.
e) Yes.

# MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 1 <br> <br> XII - STANDARD <br> <br> XII - STANDARD <br> English 

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## PART I

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Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. A girl was listening to their chatter.
(a) callous
(b) meaningless sounds
(c) meaningful sounds
(d) noisy sounds
2. Be quite sure of wringing out of one's ration the twenty good, strong cups of tea.
(a) squeezing out
(b) making out
(c) culling out
(d) breathing out
3. There is also the mysterious social etiquette surrounding the teapot.
(a) rudeness
(b) acceptable behavior
(c) misbehavior
(d) improper manners

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. Their devotion had touched me deeply.
(a) dedication
(b) loyalty
(c) love
(d) disloyalty
5. Nicola's smile was steady and engaging.
(a) charming
(b) alluring
(c) unappealing
(d) attracting
6. If the tea is not loose in the pot, it never infuses properly.
(a) drains
(b) wets
(c) permeates
(d) imbibes
7. Choose the clipped form of "trombone".
(a) trom
(b) bone
(c) trombo
(d) tomb
8. Choose the right definition for the given term "tautology".
(a) useless solution
(b) fruitful solution
(c) useless repetition
(d) useless article
9. Choose the meaning of the idiom.

I will do the math before contesting the election.
(a) think carefully
(b) spend money
(c) calculate cunningly
(d) talk wisely
10. Choose the correct collocation.

I hope to $\qquad$ my own business one day.
(a) do
(b) have
(c) make
(d) take
11. Choose the word from the options given to form a compound word with "alignment".
(a) Plaza
(b) late
(c) proof
(d) wheel
12. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word "deterred".
(a) in
(b) re
(c) un
(d) de
13. Choose the expanded form of "ODS".
(a) Ozone Defective Systems
(b) Ozone Defective Substances
(c) Ozone Deleting Systems
(d) Ozone Depleting Substances
14. Choose the tetra syllabic word.
(a) grandmother
(b) tourist
(c) photographer
(d) lessen
15. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word - remark.
(a) __ ment
(b) __able
(c) __al
(d) __ic
16. Replace the underlined word choosing the most appropriate phrasal verb.
The two teams met at the stadium to resolve their difference of opinions.
(a) iron on
(b) iron out
(c) iron in
(d) take in
17. Replace the underlined word with an appropriate euphemism/polite alternatives:
Some of the youth are still unemployed.
(a) under jobs
(b) between jobs
(c) with jobs
(d) without jobs
18. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrase.
................., discipline is learnt only in school.
(a) in my opinion
(b) with my opinion
(c) of my opinion
(d) about my opinion
19. Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following sentence.
Nandini is smart, $\qquad$ ?
(a) isn't she
(b) will she
(c) won't she (d) wasn't she
20. Complete the following sentence choosing the most appropriate marginal modal verb.
Life be more interesting when I was a child.
(a) dare to
(b) used to
(c) need to
(d) ought to

## PART II / Section - 1

Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it.
( $4 \times 2=8$ )
21. There was a little private gate

A little wicked wicket gate
(a) What is the poetic device used in the second line?
(b) Where was the private gate?
22. And the enemy half a mile away They seemed no threat to us all
(a) Were the soldiers scared of the enemy?
(b) How far were the enemies away from the castle?
23. With our arms and provender, load on load our towering battlements, tier on tier.
(a) What does the poet mean by 'tier'?
(b) What were there with them?
24. Like a huge python, winding round and round The rugged trunk, indented deep with scars
(a) What is a python?
(b) What is the figure of speech employed here?
25. .and flowers are hung
In crimson clusters all the boughs among,
Whereon all day are gathered bird and bee;
(a) What attracts birds and bees?
(b) What kind of imagery is used in the second line?
26. And oft at nights the garden overflows

With one sweet song that seems to have no close Sung darkling from our tree, while men repose.
(a) What kind of imagery is used in the first line?
(b) Comment on the poet's love for detail.

## Section-2

Answer any three of the following questions.
27. Report the following dialogue.

Raga : Give me permission to study in Germany, Dad.
Father : Can you manage alone there?.
Raga : Yes dad.
28. Rewrite the following sentence in its passive form.

Did you see my modem?
29. Combine the sentences using 'if'.

The students update their knowledge. They can easily get through the competitive exams.
30. Combine the following into a complex sentence.

Ramji burnt his midnight oil. Yet he did not clear his civil service preliminary examination.

## PART III / Section-1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
31. How this shameful tale can be told?
32. It is the trees lament, an eerie speech
33. They seemed no threat to us all

## Section-2

Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
34. Why did Lugie suggest to the author not to buy fruits from the two boys?.
35. How were the boys useful to the author?
36. When do we put too much of milk in tea?

## Section-3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $3 \times 3=9$ )
37. Read the table carefully and answer the questions given below:

| HOTEL | TYPES OF <br> ROOM | RENT <br> Rs. | DISTANCE (km) <br> from central bus <br> stand |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Hotel Tamilnadu | Single Non A/C | 370 | 3 km |
| Hotel Cheran | Single A/C | 560 | 4 km |
| Hotel Pothigai | Double Non A/C | 450 | 1 km |
| Hotel Kaveri <br> Park | Double Deluxe <br> A/C | 780 | 5 km |

a. Which is the hotel that can cater to all the requirements of a thrifty tourist?
a) Hotel Pothigai
b) Hotel Cheran
c) Hotel Tamilnadu
d) Kaveri Park
b. What is the difference in rent between Hotel Tamilnadu and the Kaveri park?
a) Rs. 420
b) Rs. 460
c) Rs. 410
d) Rs. 380
c. Why is the Kaveri Park hotel so expensive?
a) very near to the bus stand
b) spacious rooms
c) double, deluxe $A / c$
d) double, non $A / c$
38. Extend the conversation with three more exchanges.

Sridhar : Good morning sir, I want my TC.
Prinicipal : Good morning. Give me a letter of application.
39. Expand the following news headlines.
i) World Cup begins on May 30.
ii) Family day celebrated all over the country.
iii) New ministry sworn in tonight.
40. Describe the process of obtaining a Demand Draft from the bank.

## PART IV

Answer the following questions.

## Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.

41. Summarize Orwell's distinctive ideas in "A Nice Cup of Tea".
(or)
Justify the title of the story "Two Gentlemen of Verona".
42. How did the enemy enter the castle?
(or)
Describe the reminiscences of the poetess when she sees the Casuarina tree.
43. Develop the following hints into a meaningful story.

Aksionov - sentenced - 26 years - crime not committed - wife doubted - devasted - resigns to himself - turns up to God works hard - reads books -earns respect in prison - Makar - wicked - blame on Aksionov - meets in prison - repents for mistakes - finally - comes forward to tell the truth - but Aksionov dies.

Baldwin - honest - loyal to boss - Gresham arrested - for fraud in Bank - Baldwin advises - to return money - Gresham refuses - he offers 100 thousand dollars - to tell three words - I don't remember - Baldwin refuses - family members ask him to accept bribe - Baldwin - refuses - awarded in the end - new bank job - Gresham confesses his fault

## 44. Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.

A volcano is a vent in the earth's crust having funnel shaped hollow from which eruption or flow of hot materials called lava takes place. It is caused by magma forcing its way to the earth's
surface. Before the flow of lava, rock fragments and ashes are also thrown out into the air. When the lava ejected by a volcano is thick it goes on accumulating round the vent and forms a conical hill. With further accumulations of lava in this way, it forms a high mountain called a volcanic mountain. The mouth of the volcano which looks like a bowl is known as a crater. When a volcano remains inactive for a long period, the rain water accumulates in the crater, and forms a lake called a crater lake. Sometimes lava comes out through deep fissures. This type of lava ejection is called fissure eruption. Some volcanoes emit lava, ashes, steam, gases etc. frequently. They are called active volcanoes. The Barren island volcano in the Andaman islands, Etna in Sicily and Stromboli in the Mediterranean sea are good examples. There are about 450 active volcanoes in the world. Volcanoes that have remained inactive for quite a long period are sleeping or dormant volcanoes. Such volcanoes are very dangerous because they suddenly rise to activity. Vesuvius near Naples in Italy is the example of this type of volcano.
45. Read the following advertisement and prepare a resume considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified.

WANTED
Young and experienced graduates to work as Sales
Representatives for the various branches of our pharmaceutical company.

Apply to:
The General Manager, Sathya Pharmaceuticals, Chennai - 2.
(or)
Write a paragraph on 'Environmental Pollution' or 'An exciting experience in your life'.

## 46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them.

(a) Your counsel will benefit to me.
(b) Raju met in an accident.
(c) Despite being old and he is active.
(d) Abi is inferior than Raga in games.
(e) Ram is one of the best student present.

> (or)
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
(a) The smuggler led a $\qquad$ life in the $\qquad$ forest. (luxuriant / luxurious)
(b) You $\qquad$ come in your uniform. (modal verb)
(c) One never $\qquad$ (know) what the future will bring. (suitable form of verb)
(d) I reached on time $\qquad$ missed my train. (use the correct link word)
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue.
(a) The monitor displays the menu.
(b) The hybrid variety of paddy was a failure.
(c) There is no drop-out in schools now.
(d) Every physician understands that a negative report contributes to diagnosis.
(e) Two women ministers were appointed in the first cabinet after independence.
[Politics, Medicine, Agriculture, Education, Computer]
(or)

## Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

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 $\qquad$ .
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Key Answers
MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 1

| 1.b | 2.a | 3.b | 4.d | 5.c | 6.a | 7.a | 8.c |  |
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| 9. a | 10.a | 11.d | 12.c | 13.d | 14.c | 15.b | 16.b |  |
| 17.d | 18.a | 19.a | 20.b |  |  |  |  |  |
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27. Raga asked her father to give her permission to study in Germany. Her father asked her if she could manage alone there. Raga said that she could.
28. Was my modem seen by you?
29. If the students update their knowledge, they can easily get through the competitive exams.
30. Though Ramji burnt his midnight oil he did not clear his civil service preliminary examinations.
31. a) Kaveri Park
b) Rs. 410
c) double, deluxe $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{c}$
32. i) a) Your counsel will benefit me.
b) Raju met with an accident.
c) Despite being old, he is active.
d) Abi is inferior to Raga in games.
e) Ram is one of the best students present.
(OR)
ii) a) luxurious, luxuriant
b) ought to
c) knows
d) but
33. a) Computer
b) Agriculture
c) Education
d) Medicine
e) Politics
a) Pollution is an undesirable change in physical, chemical and biological characteristics of our land, air and water caused by excessive accumulation of pollutants.
b) Carbon-di-oxide, sulphur-di-oxide and nitrogen oxide are a few pollutants.
c) The average increase in the temperature of increase is called global warming.
d) July 1988 was the hottest month of the year.
e) rise

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER-2

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## Answer all the questions.

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Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. Nicola was glaring at his brother in vexation.
(a) willingness
(b) annoyance
(c) pleasing
(d) happiness
2. These are not the only controversial points to arise in connection with tea drinking.
(a) walked quickly
(b) walked fast
(c) walked carefully
(d) walked carelessly
3. Scrambling on the rocks and cutting hand holds on the snow.
(a) retreating
(b) climbing fast
(c) stopping
(d) starting

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. For a few moments I lay regaining my breath.
(a) achieving
(b) reaching
(c) losing
(d) attaining
5. Suffering ennobles you, makes you a better person .
(a) honours
(b) humiliating
(c) exalted
(d) dignifying
6. One does not feel wiser, braver or more optimistic.
(a) cheerful
(b) pessimistic
(c) realistic
(d) opportunistic
7. Choose the correct expansion of the acronym of "LAN".
(a) Local Area Network
(b) Locality Area Network
(c) Local Area Net
(d) Local Area Networking
8. Choose the correct combination for the compound word "birth place".
(a) Noun+ Verb
(b) Noun + Adjective
(c) Noun + Noun
(d) Noun + Adverb
9. Choose the correct combination for the blended word "Pixel".
(a) picture + element
(b) picture + electricity
(c) picture + electronics
(d) pix + element
10. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence.

Rangarajan alias Sujatha has written thrilling novels.
(a) also known as
(b) differently known as
(c) secretly called
(d) signed as
11. Choose the right definition for the given term 'theophobia'.
(a) Fear of food
(b) Fear of dreams
(c) Fear of God
(d) Fear of home
12. Choose the suitable meaning for the idiom found in the following sentence.
The leader's death came like a bolt from the blue.
(a) unexpected event
(b) expected happening
(c) sudden happening
(d) serious accident
13. Replace the underlined phrasal verb into a single word. You must go by the rules of the institution.
(a) follow
(b) avoid
(c) check
(d) watch
14. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word - practice.
(a) mal $\qquad$ (b) pre $\qquad$ (c) dis
(d) tri $\qquad$
15. Identify the sentence pattern of the following. We call Gandhiji Mahatma.
(a) SVIODO
(b) SVOC
(c) SVOA
(d) SVCA
16. Fill in the blank choosing the correct preposition. He ran $\qquad$ the street.
(a) in
(b) at
(c) into
(d) to
17. Choose the clipped form of the word internet.
(a) intern
(b) net
(c) network
(d) tern
18. Replace the underlined word with a euphemistic expression.
My mother is a housewife.
(a) homekeeper
(b) housekeeper
(c) homemaker
(d) housemaker
19. Choose the correct meaning of the cliche 'Kith and Kin'.
(a) kitbag
(b) bat and ball
(c) friends and relatives
(d) ladies and gentlemen
20. Fill in with a relative pronoun.

Kumar $\qquad$ father is an engineer, constructed this building.
(a) who
(b) whose
(c) which
(d) whom

## PART II / Section - 1

## Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it. <br> ( $4 \times 2=8$ )

21. For what, we thought, had we to fear

With our arms and provender, load on load
(a) Why were the soldiers confident that they were safe?
(b) Pick out the alliterated words.
22. Unknown, yet well known to the eye of faith

Ah, I have heard that wail far, far away
In distant lands, by many a sheltered bay
(a) What does the 'wail' denote?
(b) What is the poetic device employed here?
23. All the world's a stage

And all the men and women merely players
(a) What is the world compared to?
(b) Which figure of speech has been used in the second line?
24. Like a huge python, winding round and round

The rugged trunk, indented deep with scars
(a) What is a python?
(b) What is the figure of speech employed here?
25. Thro' scudding drifts the rainy Hyades Vext the dim sea: I am become a name
(a) What is meant by Hyades?
(b) Identify the figure of speech employed here.
26. You're wounded! 'Nay', his soldier's pride

Touched to the quick he said:
(a) Why did the boy contradict Napoleon's words?
(b) Why was his pride touched?

## Section-2

Answer any three of the following questions.
$(3 \times 2=6)$
27. Rewrite in other form of speech:

The Headmaster said, " Switch off the lights before leaving the room".
28. The sun was bright. The pictures came out well.
(Combine using if)
29. Rewrite the sentence making an inversion in the conditional clause.
If I were you, I would not behave like this.
30. Venkat shared his lunch with the boy. He had only one sandwich. (Form a complex sentence using 'though')

## PART III / Section-1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
31. To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield
32. They have their exits and their entrances
33. Our only enemy was gold

Section-2
Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
34. Why does the author advise removing cream from the milk?.
35. What was the profound lesson that Dr. Barnard learnt from the boys?
36. How did the mountaineers belay?

## Section-3

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

## 37. Study the pie diagram and answer the questions given below:

Navin's personal expenses Monthly Income - Rs. 8,000

a. What percentage of Naveen's income is spent on boarding and lodging?
a) $65 \%$
b) $40 \%$
c) $20 \%$
d) $30 \%$
b. What is his cheapest hobby?
a) entertainment
b) travelling
c) sports
d) reading
c. His boarding and lodging expenses are Rs.3200. What does it mean?
a) He eats too much
b) Rent and food cost high
c) He needs comforts
d) He doesn't have a home
38. Write a dialogue between a mother and her daughter discussing the daughter's first day in her new school. (Minimum of three exchanges)
39. Describe the process of binding a book.

## 40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below.

(a) $\qquad$ makes waste. (Haste, Gain, Knowledge)
(b) is power. (Gain, Haste, Knowledge)
(c) No pain, no $\qquad$ . (gain, haste, knowledge)

## PART IV

## Answer the following questions.

## Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.

41. Summarise Orwell's distinctive ideas in "A Nice Cup of Tea".
(or)
How did Hillary and Tenzing prepare themselves before they set off the summits.
42. How did the enemy enter the castle?
(or)

Describe the various stages of man's life.

## 43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:

Pi - from Pudhucherry - stranded in life boat - left with a leopard - hyena - very thirsty - look for water - close to tiger - overpowers - finds water cans - comes to life after drinking water - elixir of life - learnt - tiger who scared him brought peace - wholeness - after 227 days - Pi reunites with family.
(or)
Baldwin - honest - loyal to boss - Gresham arrested - for fraud in Bank - Baldwin advises - to return money - Gresham refuses - he offers 100 thousand dollars - to tell three words - I don't remember - Baldwin refuses - family members ask him to accept bribe - Baldwin - refuses - awarded in the end - new bank job - Gresham confesses his fault
44. Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.

The Cacti, a native in American deserts, adapts to the dry surroundings by having unique body structures. The plant has swollen stems to help store water that carries it through months. By having sharp pines instead of leaves, water loss through respiration is minimized. Besides, these pointed pines also help the plant ward off grazing animals, thus enhancing its survival period.

Besides plants, there are also animals with distinct surviving tactics in deserts too. For instance, Skinks ( desert lizards ) metabolize stored fats in their bulbous tails, producing water to supplement their needs, just like what camels do with the stored food in their humps during long journeys through deserts. Antelopes like the addax, have very low water needs and hence are able to tolerate the conditions in deserts, extracting moisture from the food they eat.

Finally, there are the sand grouses ( desert birds ) which do not have special features to overcome the drought-like nature in deserts. Hence, to survive in these hot, dry deserts, they need to spend a large part of their time flying in search of waterholes.

## 45. Read the following advertisement and prepare a resume/bio-data/CV considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified.

Write XXXX for your name and YYYY for your address]
Situations Vacant
Post Graduate Teacher (English) Specialized in extra curricular activities (NSS, NCC, etc), Minimum : 3 Years of Experience. Salary Negotiable.
Apply to :
Post Box No : 1307, C/o. The Hindu, Chennai - 02.

Write a paragraph on "A village festival" or " Punctuality".

## 46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them :

(a) Neither of the boys are guilty.
(b) Balaji is junior than me.
(c) He is a honourable man.
(d) Slow and steady win the race.
(e) The news are very good. (or)
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
(a) Vandana's $\qquad$ daughter $\qquad$ to the new situation well. (adopted / adapted)
(b) Daniel $\qquad$ play the piano. (Fill in with a modal verb)
(c) He $\qquad$ read many books during his school days. (Fill in with a semi-modal)
(d) $\qquad$ you have an entry pass, you can get in. (Use a suitable link word)
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the fields given below.
(a) Shakespeare's plays are read by many people.
(b) The yield of wheat has increased.
(c) Fast food is a growing health hazard.
(d) My brother is planning to go to the US.
(e) Dhoni was declared the Man of the Series.
(Sports, Nutrition and Dietetics, Travel, Literature, Agriculture) (or)

Read the following poem and answer questions that follow.
Woodman, that tree!
Touch not a single bough
In youth, it sheltered me,

And I'll protect it now.
'T was my forefather's hand
That placed it near his cot;
There, woodman, let it stand,
Thy axe shall harm it not!
When but an idle boy
I sought its grateful shade;
In all their gushing joy
Here, too, my sisters played.
My mother kissed me here,
My father pressed my hand
Forgive this foolish tear,
But let that oak stand!
My heartstrings round thee cling
Close as thy bark, old friend!
Here shall the wild birds sing,
And still, thy branches bend.
Old tree! The storm still brave!
And woodman leave the spot;
While I have a hand to save,
Thy axe shall harm it not

## Questions:

(a) Why does the poet want the woodman to spare the tree?
(b) Who planted the tree?
(c) How will the poet guard the tree?
(d) Where did the poet spend a lot of his time?
(e) What is the meaning of 'bough'?

## Key Answers

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 2

| 1. b | 2. b | 3. b | 4. c | 5. b | 6. b | 7. a | 8. c |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9. a | 10. a | 11. a | 12. a | 13. a | 14. a | 15. b | 16. a |
| 17. b | 18. c | 19. c | 20. b |  |  |  |  |

27. The Headmaster advised the students to switch off the lights before leaving the classroom.
28. If the sun had not been bright, the picture would not have come out well.
29. Were I you, I would not behave like you.
30. Though Venket had only one sandwich, he shared his lunch with the boy.
31. a) $40 \%$
b) sports
c) He doesn't have a home
32. a) Haste
b) knowledge
c) gain
33. 

i) a) is
b) to
c) an
d) wins
e) is
(OR)
ii)
a) adopted, adapted
c) used to
b) can/will
d) if
47.
a) Literature
d) Travel
b) Agriculture
e) Sports
c) Nutrition and Dietetics
a) The poet wants the woodman to spare the tree because he played under the tree.
b) The poet's forefathers planted the tree.
c) The poet guards the tree by standing under the tree.
d) The poet spent a lot of his time under the tree.
e) Bushes.

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 3

## XII - STANDARD <br> English

Time: 3 hrs
Max. Marks: 90
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.

## PART I

Answer all the questions.
(20×1=20)
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. He shrugged his shoulders to convey his disapproval.
(a) bounced
(b) released
(c) raised
(d) let go
2. China tea has virtues which are not to be despised now a days.
(a) loved
(b) liked
(c) disposed
(d) hated
3. The liberties of everybody must be curtailed.
(a) increased
(b) soared
(c) reduced
(d) improved

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. Nicola answered seriously.
(a) plainly
(b) casually
(c) honestly
(d) usually
5. $\qquad$ and with no small peril to herself.
(a) danger
(b) risk
(c) harmful
(d) safety
6. It was pointed out to her that the pavement was the place for pedestrians.
(a) indicated
(b) stated
(c) concealed
(d) collected
7. Choose the correct expansion of the acronym of 'WTC'.
(a) World Trade Congress
(b) World Trade Center
(c) World Training Center
(d) World Tourist Center
8. Choose the correct combination for the compound word "upstream".
(a) Noun + Verb
(b) Noun + Adjective
(c) Noun + Noun
(d) Adverb + Noun
9. Choose the correct combination for the blended word "tastelicious".
(a) taste + delicious
(b) tasty + delicious
(c) tasting + delicious
(d) tasteful + delicious
10. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence. He put up a case with malafide intentions.
(a) bad intention
(b) real intention
(c) for justice
(d) for property
11. Choose the right definition for the given term 'acrophobia'
(a) Fear of heights
(b) Fear of dreams
(c) Fear of God
(d) Fear of home
12. Choose the suitable meaning for the idiom found in the following sentence.
The New year is round the corner.
(a) far away
(b) over
(c) exciting
(d) near
13. The car drew up near the gate.
(a) dash
(b) stop
(c) hit
(d) start
14. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word - paid.
(a) mal $\qquad$ (b) dis $\qquad$ (c) post $\qquad$ (d) tri $\qquad$
15. Identify the sentence pattern of the following.

Latha gifted me a jeans.
(a) SVIODO
(b) SVOC
(c) SVOA
(d) SVCA
16. Fill in the blank choosing the correct preposition.

Prema is known $\qquad$ her teaching skills.
(a) in
(b) at
(c) for
(d) to
17. Choose the unclipped form of the word copter.
(a) heliport
(b) helicopter
(c) hollowcopter
(d) aircopter
18. Replace the underlined word with a euphemistic expression.

My mother is an old woman.
(a) senior citizen
(b) aged man
(c) long aged
(d) white haired
19. Add suitable question tag to the following statement. The new movie is about teachers, $\qquad$ ?
(a) isn't it
(b) aren't it
(c) don't it
(d) does it
20. Fill in with a relative pronoun.

I consoled the boy $\qquad$ watch was stolen.
(a) who
(b) whose
(c) which
(d) whom

## PART II / Section - 1

Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it.
( $4 \times 2=8$ )
21. "Our gates were strong, our walls were thick, So smooth and high, no man could win".
(a) How safe was the castle?
(b) What was the firm belief of the soldiers?
22. Unknown, yet well known to the eye of faith

Ah, I have heard that wail far, far away
In distant lands, by many a sheltered bay
(a) What does the 'wail' denote?
(b) What is the poetic device employed here?
23. All the world's a stage

And all the men and women merely players
(a) What is the world compared to?
(b) Which figure of speech has been used in the second line?
24. "The giant wears the scarf, and flowers are hung In crimson clusters all the bough among----"!
(a) Who is the giant here?
(b) Why is the scarf colourful?
25. "Yet all experience is an arch wherethro' Gleams that untravell'd world, whose margin fades For ever and for ever when I move".
(a) What is experience compared to?
(b) How do the lines convey that the experience is endless?
26. Tell him solitude is creative if he is strong And the final decisions are made in silent rooms
(a) Can being in solitude help a strong human being?
(b) Identify the figure of speech in the above line.

## Section-2

## Answer any three of the following questions.

## 27. Report the following dialogue.

Prabu : When did you return from New Delhi?
Sundar : Yesterday.
Prabu : How long did you stay there?
Sundar : Just a week.
28. The food was cheap. It was very tasty.
(Combine using as well as)
29. Rewrite the sentence making an inversion in the conditional clause.
If I were in your shoes, I would not select it.
30. Tell me the time.
(Form a complex sentence using 'if')

## PART III / Section-1

## Explain any two of the following with reference to the context. <br> ( $2 \times 3=6$ )

31. To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield
32. They have their exits and their entrances
33. I cannot rest from travel; I will drink Life to the Lees;

## Section-2

## Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each. <br> ( $2 \times 3=6$ )

34. Recount the untold sufferings undergone by the siblings after they were rendered homeless.
35. Why does Dr. Barnard describe the blind boy as a 'walking horror'?
36. How did the mountaineers belay?

## Section-3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.
37. Re-arrange the shuffled words and frame into meaningful sentences.
a) all over the world / keeps / of our company / travelling /to attend conferences / the chairperson
b) in Tamilnadu / Krishnawaswami Narayan / born on October 10 / at Chennai / 1906 / was
c) truth and honesty / always / stands for / my father
38. Write an e-mail to a charitable trust requesting for a scholarship.
39. Describe the process of staging a drama.
40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below.
a) One $\qquad$ does not make a summer. (swallow, crow, parrot)
b) Distance lends $\qquad$ . (beatuy, enchantment, happiness)
c) $\qquad$ water runs deep. (cool, still, cold)

## PART IV

## Answer the following questions.

## Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.

41. Summarise Orwell's distinctive ideas in "A Nice Cup of Tea".

What do you infer from Gardiner's essay "On the Rule of the Road"?
42. What is Ulysses' clarion call to his sailors? How does he inspire them?
(or)

Describe the various stages of man's life.
43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.
Ausable - spy - never looked like - fat - sloppy - Fowler - writer

- enter room - Max - gun trotting - documents - Fowler thrilled
- Ausable spins story - about balcony - Max believes there is balcony - knock on door - Ausable says - it is police - Max panicked - jumped out - dies - presence of mind.
(or)

Lord Weston - judge - coward - finds paper - Remember Caesar - thinks - a threat to his life - steps to save - close doors drenches a parcel - thinking it a bomb - his wife ridicules - hear a knock at the door - it was gardener Caesar - paper written by Weston - to remind - Humorous end.
44. 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 illnesses 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 ulcer more frequently than people who do not use alcohol

## 45. Read the following advertisement and prepare a resume/bio-data/CV considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified:

WANTED
Wanted enterprising young men for the post of Salesmen for our new branch, dealing in textiles.
Minimum qualification required: A degree from any of the recognised universities with at least 2 years experience in the field.
Apply with your curriculum vitae to:
RS. PVT. LTD., No. 10, Greams Road, Chennai - 600006.
(or)
Write a paragraph on 'Advantages and disadvantages of Television (or) 'Your School Sports Day'.

## 46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them.

(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) Kumar have to improve his English.
(or)
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
(a) The birds $\qquad$ to God for their daily $\qquad$ . (prey / pray)
(b) All citizens $\qquad$ obey the rules of the land. (Use a Semi modal verb)
(c) I $\qquad$ (call) on you, had I known of your illness. (suitable form of verb)
(d) I have bought a new pen. (In this sentence, 'have' is a
$\qquad$ verb) Fill in the blank suitably.
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue.
(a) She applied for visa to go to America.
(b) He is an expert in using pedagogical methods.
(c) The yield of cash crop is increasing due to rain.
(d) Primary market is concerned with issue of new shares.
(e) Manual data processing involves use of papers at each stage.
[Education, Agriculture, Travel, Computer, Commerce]
(or)
Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

The Vatican is the world's smallest country which became independent in 1929. It occupies 109 acres in the Italian
capital Rome. It has been the spiritual and administrative centre of the Roman Catholic Church. At the heart of the Vatican is St. Peter's Basilica, the world's largest Christian Church. Inside the Vatican palace are the living quarters of the Pope and the offices where the officials work. The palace includes chapels, a library and museums, Vatican city state has its own small 'army' of soldiers called the Swiss Guard, who maintain order and protect the Pope. About 1000 people live here. All the people here are Christians and they speak Italian.

## Questions:

(a) What is the speciality of the Vatican?
(b) Describe the location of the Vatican city.
(c) What is St Peter's Basilica? Where is it?
(d) What can one see in the palace?
(e) What language do the people of Vatican speak?

Key Answers

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 3

| 1. c | 2. d | 3. c | 4. b | 5. d | 6. c | 7. b | 8. d |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9. d | 10. a | 11. a | 12. d | 13. b | 14. b | 15. a | 16. c |
| 17. b | 18. a | 19. a | 20. b |  |  |  |  |

27. Prabhu asked Sundar when he had returned from New Delhi. Sundar said that he had returned the previous day. Prabhu asked him how long he had stayed there. Sundar said that he had stayed there just a week.
28. The food was cheap as well as tasty.
29. Were I in your shoes, I would not select it.
30. Tell me what is the time.
31. a) The chairperson of our company keeps travelling all over the world to attend conferences.
b) Krishnawaswami Narayan was born on october 10 at chennai 1906 in Tamilnadu.
c) My father always stands for truth and honesty.
32. a) swallow
b) enchantment
c) still
33. i) a) I walked fast but I missed the bus.
b) He told me a story.
c) I have been living in this house for five years.
d) The dear runs fastly.
e) Kumar has to improve his English.
(or)
ii) a) pray, prey
b) ought to
c) would have called
d) Auxiliary verb
34. a) Travel
b) Education
c) Agriculture
d) Commerce
e) Computer
(or)
a) Vatican is the world's smallest country.
b) Vatican city is located in the Italian capital Rome.
c) St. Peter's Basilica is the world's largest Christian Church. It is in Vatican.
d) Chapels, a library and museums can be seen in the palace.
e) People of Vatican speak Italian/Latin language.

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 4

## XII - STANDARD <br> English

Time: 3 hrs
Max. Marks: 90
Instructions:

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## PART I

Answer all the questions.
(20×1=20)
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. In those days they didn't have sophisticated heart surgery.
(a) mild
(b) strong
(c) complicated
(d) refined
2. They watched their three companions go down the ridge back towards the South Col.
(a) higher edge
(b) lower edge
(c) basin
(d) trench
3. I dragged our oxygen sets into our tents.
(a) pulled
(b) pushed
(c) lifed
(d) moved

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. Their devotion had touched me deeply.
(a) loyalty
(b) sincerity
(c) employability
(d) disloyalty
5. ......... he had a malignant tumor of bone.
(a) harmless
(b) harmful
(c) benign
(d) deadly
6. But there is merely one of a myriad of major and extremely varied works.
(a) limited
(b) unlimited
(c) infinite
(d) eternal
7. Choose the unclipped form of "jet".
(a) jetliner
(b) jet aircraft
(c) jet engine
(d) jet plane
8. Choose the right definition for the given term "paedophobia".
(a) fear of dolls
(b) fear of body odour
(c) fear of children
(d) fear of paper
9. Choose the meaning of the idiom.

She claimed the lion's share of the credit for the show's case.
(a) minor share
(b) major share
(c) extremely brave
(d) extremely coward
10. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence: The hearing should only be held ex parte as necessary.
(a) on one side
(b) amicably
(c) at high level
(d) contesting elections
11. Choose the word from the options given to form a compound word with "water".
(a) Plaza
(b) late
(c) proof
(d) wheel
12. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word "dignified".
(a) in
(b) re
(c) un
(d) de
13. Choose the expanded form of "MCI".
(a) Multiple Crime Investigations
(b) Municipal Committee of Intellectuals
(c) Multiple Civil Institutions
(d) Medical Council of India
14. Choose the di-syllabic word.
(a) grandmother
(b) dynamic
(c) photographer
(d) appreciation
15. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word - logic.
(a) __ment
(b) __able
(c) __al
(d) __ic
16. Replace the underlined word choosing the most appropriate phrasal verb.
I was surprised when I won the lottery.
(a) taken on
(b) taken out
(c) taken back
(d) taken in
17. Choose the clipped form of 'zoological park'.
(a) zoology
(b) zoo
(c) park
(d) logical park
18. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrase.
.............. letter, I have something to say.
(a) waiting for
(b) looking forward
(c) in expectation of
(d) with reference to
19. Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following sentence.

Let's go for a movie $\qquad$ ?
(a) shall we
(b) will we
(c) won't we
(d) shan't we
20. Complete the following sentence choosing the most appropriate modal verb.

I .............. speak French, German and Japanese.
(a) will
(b) can
(c) would
(d) may

## PART II / Section - 1

Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it.
( $4 \times 2=8$ )
21. There was a little private gate

A little wicked wicket gate
(a) What is the figure of speech used in the second line?
(b) What do you mean by 'wicked wicket gate'?
22. All the world's a stage

And all the men and women merely players
(a) Identify the poem and the poet.
(b) What does the poet mean by the terms 'exits and entrances?
23. Thy form, $O$ Thee, as in my happy prime I saw thee, in my own loved native clime
(a) What do you mean by the term 'native clime'?
(b) What is the poetic device used here?
24. .....I mete and dole

Unequal laws unto a savage race
(a) Pick out the assonance words in the second line.
(b) What does Ulysses do?
25. 'Tell him as a stuff can be wasted

Tell him to be a fool every so often
(a) Why does the poet suggest that time can be wasted?
(b) Identify the figure of speech used here.
26. You're wounded! 'Nay! His soldier's pride Touched to the quick, he said
(a) Write out the words of alliteration.
(b) For what reason was his pride touched?

## Section-2

Answer any three of the following questions.
27. Rewrite the following dialogue in reported form.

Prema : Alas! I have lost my wallet.
Latha : No, you must have misplaced your wallet somewhere.
Prema : Okay I will look for it.
28. Rewrite the following sentence in its passive form.

It is now necessary to consult a cardiologist.
29. Combine the sentences using 'if'.

The students went on a tour. They learnt about cultures of India.
30. Transform the following into a complex sentence.

In the event of paying the arrears, you will be admitted.

## PART III / Section - 1

## Explain any two of the following with reference to the context. <br> ( $2 \times 3=6$ )

31. I'm killed Sire! And, his chief beside

Smiling, the boy fell dead.
32. The sixth age shifts,

Into the lean and slipper'd pantaloon
33. While on lower boughs

His puny offspring leap about and play.
Section-2
Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
34. Do you think the boys looked after Lucia willingly? Give reasons for your answer.
35. Why couldn't Bernard find any nobility in suffering?
36. How did the mountaineers belay?

## Section-3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $3 \times 3=9$ )
37. Re-arrange the shuffled words and frame into meaningful sentences.
i) at many places / incessant raining / in Chennai / water logging / leads to
ii) for operating / officials / an omni bus / from the transport department / without proper permit / detained
iii) in two days / were closed / six bore wells / by the corporation
38. Extend the conversation with three more exchanges.

Sridhar : Good morning sir, I wish to lodge a complaint.
Inspector : Good morning. Tell me in detail.
39. Expand the following news headlines.
i) Counting of votes on May 23.
ii) Diabetic day celebrated with free check up.
iii) CSK was defeated by MI without Dhoni.
40. Describe the process of making your favorite dish.

## PART IV

Answer the following questions.

## Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.

41. Summarise Orwell's distinctive ideas in "A Nice Cup of Tea".
(or)
What do you infer from Gardiner's essay "On the Rule of the Road"?
42. How according to the poet is it possible for his son to bring changes into a world that resents change?
(or)
Write a short summary of the poem "All the World's a Stage".
43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.
Pi - from Pudhucherry - stranded in life boat - left with a leopard - hyena - very thirsty - look for water - close to tiger - overpowers - finds water cans - comes to life after drinking water - elixir of life - learnt - tiger who scared him brought peace - wholeness - after 227 days - Pi reunites with family.

Venus - children - wait for sun - after 7 years - continuous rain - saw sun - when 2 years old - 7 years ago - Margot - thin pale girl - Ohio - USA - saw sun when 4 year old - describes sun - others - jealous - lock her up - sun comes out - only for two hours - rain again batters - children reformed - open the lock - release Margot

## 44. Write a summary or Make notes of the following passage.

All snakes are hunters and predators, feeding on the animals and sometimes their eggs. Having no limbs, snakes cannot hold their preys down to bite; hence they usually swallow them whole. Poisonous snakes sometimes immobilize their prey with their venom to make consumption easier. Most poisonous snakes are conspicuously colored to warn others off. One example is the redheaded krait which has a bluish-black body and scarlet head and tail. Snakes like the cobras, which have less outstanding body colors, display their fatality by lifting the front part of their body and spreading their hoods. Is their venom so deadly? In general, there are three kinds of poisons in the venom, though in varying amounts, depending on the type of snake in question. Venoms usually contain substances that weaken the blood corpuscles and the lining of the blood vessels. Profuse bleeding, often a common result of snake-bites, is caused by the anticoagulants present in the poison which prevents blood clotting. The paralysis of the heart and respiratory muscles is performed by the nervous system attacking toxins. Though these bites are deadly, certain actions can be taken to
slow down the spread of the venom, hence saving the victim's life. Attempting to cut open and suck at the spot of the bite is more likely to be harmful than a cure. The poisonous venom usually travels fast into the body upon being released; hence sucking at the mouth of the wound will not help remove the poison, rather, incising the bite may lead the victim to great pain and further profuse bleeding. Instead, a broad, firm cloth bandage should be applied over the wound and up the full limb to compress the tissues and prevent the spread of the venom. After which, the victim must be duly sent to the hospital for professional treatment.
45. Read the following advertisement and prepare a resume/bio-data/CV considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified:

| WANTED |
| :--- |
| Salesman. Graduate with fluency in English and computer |
| knowledge. |
| Apply with Bio-data to: |
| Box No. 4231, C/o. The Hindu, Chennai - 21. |

(or)
Write a paragraph on 'A fancy dress competition in the school' (or) 'Benefits of walking'.
46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them.
(a) Neither he or you are active.
(b) He wears a HMT watch presented by his uncle.
(c) He congratulated me for winning the election.
(d) If you walked fast, you will catch the bus.
(e) Many a boy have taken part in the programme.
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
a) Please $\qquad$ a minute and I want to check my
$\qquad$ . (weight / wait)
(b) You $\qquad$ report to the principal immediately.
(semi-modal verb)
(c) I $\qquad$ (hear) a strange noise. (suitable form of verb)
(d) He hid $\qquad$ the door. (use the correct phrase preposition word)
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue.
(a) Sunitha Williams spent six months in the space.
(b) The court adjourned sine die.
(c) Slow-learners should be given individual attention.
(d) During the summer holidays, we had been to Agra to see the Taj Mahal.
(e) Spicy food can cause acidity in the stomach.
[Education, Travel, Space, Law, Nutrition and Dietetics]
(or)

## Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

Advertisements can be extremely useful, if they are honest. Let us say you have broken your TV and you want to buy another, The first thing to do is to look at as many advertisements for televisions as you can find. That will help you to choose the type and price that suits you. Then you can go to a shop and try out the TV you have selected from the advertisement and perhaps a few others that have caught your eye. Advertisements save a lot of time and trouble by putting sellers in touch with buyers in a quick and simple way. If the advertisements are true and accurate, the customers will be satisfied and will probably
buy from the same firm the next time and advise their friends and acquaintances to do the same.

## Questions:

(a) How do advertisements save time?
(b) How can satisfied customers become good advertisers?
(c) When are advertisements extremely useful?
(d) What is the first thing that the customers do before buying a thing?
(e) Will the advertisements help you to choose the type and price that suit you?

## Key Answers

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 4

| 1. d | 2. a | 3. c | 4. d | 5. c | 6. a | 7. a | 8. c |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9. b | 10. a | 11. c | 12. c | 13. d | 14. a | 15. c | 16. d |
| 17. b | 18. d | 19. a | 20. b |  |  |  |  |

27. Prema exclaimed sorrowfully that she had lost her wallet. Latha denied it and that she must have misplaced her wallet somewhere. Prema told her that she would look for it.
28. It is now necessary that a cardiologist to be consulted.
29. If the students had not gone on a tour, they would not have learnt about cultures of India.
30. If you pay the arrears, you will be admitted.
31. i) Incessant rain in Chennai leads to water-logging in many places.
ii) Officials from the transport department detained an omni bus without proper permit.
iii) Six bore wells were closed in two days by the corporation.
32. i) a) Neither you or he is active.
b) He wears an HMT watch presented by his uncle.
c) He congratulated me on winning the election.
d) If you walk fast, you will catch the bus. (or) If you walked fast, you would catch the bus.
e) Many a boy has taken part in the programme.
(OR)
ii) a) wait, weight
b) ought to
c) heard
d) at the back
33. a) Space
b) Law
c) Education
d) Travel
e) Nutrition and Dietetics
(OR)
a) Advertisements save a lot of time by putting sellers in touch with buyers in a quick and simple way.
b) Satisfied customers can advise their friends and acquaintances to do the same and become good advertisers.
c) When the advertisements are honest, they are extremely useful.
d) The customers watch advertisements before buying a thing.
e) Yes, the advertisements will help us choose the type and price that suit us.

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 5

## XII - STANDARD <br> English

## Time: 3 hrs

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.

## PART I

Answer all the questions.
(20×1=20)
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. Often we show visitors through the town to Julias tomb.
(a) House
(b) pyramid
(c) museum
(d) gallery
2. There is also the mysterious social etiquette surrounding the teapot.
(a) Attractive
(b) incomparable
(c) incomprehensible
(d) famous
3. And very soon this trolley was commandeered by an intrepid crew of two - a driver and a mechanic.
(a) Detectives
(b) team
(c) shipmen
(d) enemies

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. Anyone who has used that comforting phrase 'a nice cup of tea' invariably means Indian tea.
(a) ever
(b) always
(c) regular
(d) never
5. As the sun set, Hillary and Tenzing crawled into the tent.
(a) dragged
(b) pulled
(c) raced
(d) creeped
6. The end of such liberty would be universal chaos.
(a) orderliness
(b) commotion
(c) disorder
(d) confusion
7. Choose the blended form of "webinar".
(a) website + seminary
(b) web + seminar
(c) website + seminar
(d) web + seminary
8. Choose the right definition for the given term "deicide".
(a) killing of a king
(b) killing of a child
(c) killing of a God or a divine being
(d) killing of a monster
9. Choose the meaning of the idiom "make both ends meet".
(a) face
(b) meet
(c) manage
(d) mismanage
10. Choose the correct combination for the compound word 'roundabout'.
(a) Noun + Adjective
(b) Adverb + Adverb
(c) Adverb + Verb
(d) Verb + Noun
11. Choose the correct American English word for 'stadium'.
(a) arena
(b) deluxe
(c) gallery
(d) elite group
12. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word "active".
(a) in
(b) re
(c) un
(d) de
13. Sridevi has been working in Madurai 1995.
(a) for
(b) from
(c) since
(d) to
14. Choose the right combination for the blended word "smog"
(a) smoke + fog
(b) small + fog
(c) smoke + bog
(d) smooth + fog
15. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'stratum'.
(a) stratums
(b) strata
(c) strate
(d) stratums
16. Choose the disyllabic word.
(a) daughter
(b) biology
(c) geography
(d) fantastic
17. Choose the appropriate preposition and complete the sentence.

Abinandhan is a heroic icon $\qquad$ the Air force.
(a) for
(b) to
(c) from
(d) by
18. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate marginal modal.

Military men $\qquad$ undergo strenuous training.
(a) ought to
(b) dare to
(c) used to
(d) need to
19. Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following sentence.
He hardly absents himself $\qquad$ ?
(a) did he
(b) does he
(c) did not he
(d) doesn't he
20. Choose the appropriate pattern of the following sentence.
My mother keeps the house clean..
(a) SVOA
(b) SVOC
(c) SVIODO
(d) SVAA

## PART II / Section - 1

Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it.
( $4 \times 2=8$ )
21. A film the mother eagle's eye

When her brusied eaglet breathes
(a) What is the figure of speech employed in the above lines?
(b) Explain the comparison.
22. Life is a soft loam, be gentle go easy

And this too might serve him.
(a) Why does the poet suggest to take life easy?
(b) Mention the figure of speech used here.
23. A rugged people, and thro' soft degrees

Subdue them useful and the good.
(a) What do you mean by 'subdue'?
(b) What is the literary device used here?
24. Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel, Seeking the bubble reputation
(a) Pick out the alliterated words.
(b) Explain 'bubble reputation'.
25. And far and near kokilas hail the day

And to their pastures wend our sleepy cows;
(a) What do kokilas do?
(b) Identify the poetic device used here.
26. The castle was lost without a groan

The famous citadel overthrown
(a) What happened to the castle?
(b) Write the rhyming words.

Section-2
Answer any three of the following questions.
$(3 \times 2=6)$
27. Report the following dialogue:

Vijay : Why are you late today?
Ajay : I missed the school bus.
28. Rewrite using 'if'.

Were I a bird, I would fly.
29. Combine into a single sentence using a relative pronoun. Brindha is a teacher. She teaches English.
30. The bag is too heavy to lift.
(Transform into a compound sentence)

## PART III / Section - 1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
31. They seemed no threat to us at all.
32. He works his work, I mine.
33. Brutes have been gentled where lashes failed.

Section-2
Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
34. Why does the author refer to himself as being in ' a minority'?
35. What did Hillary find in a tiny hollow?
36. Define liberty as perceived by the author.

## Section-3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.
37. Write three sentence about the data.

38. Describe the process.

How will you prepare omelette?
39. Frame a dialogue (Minimum of three exchanges).

A dialogue between a Principal and an old student.
40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below.
(a) Man proposes; God $\qquad$ .
(b) Early bird $\qquad$ the worm.
(c) $\qquad$ is human: to forgive is divine (catches, to err, disposes)

## PART IV

Answer the following questions.
Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.
41 Justify the title of the story "Two Gentlemen of Verona".
(or)
How did Hillary and Tenzing prepare themselves before they set off to the summit?
42. Describe the reminiscences of the poetess Toru Dutt when she sees the Causiriana tree.

Napoleon was a great source of inspiration to his army - Justify.
43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.
Baldwin - honest - loyal to boss - Gresham arrested - for fraud in Bank - Baldwin advises - to return money - Gresham refuses - he offers 100 thousand dollars - to tell three words - I don't remember - Baldwin refuses - family members ask him to accept bribe - Baldwin - refuses - awarded in the end - new bank job - Gresham confesses his fault

Lord Weston - judge - coward - finds paper - Remember Caesar - thinks - a threat to his life - steps to save - close doors drenches a parcel - thinking it a bomb - his wife ridicules - hear a knock at the door - it was gardener Caesar - paper written by Weston - to remind - Humorous end.

## 44. Write a summary or Make notes of the following passage.

Our blood consists of three kinds of blood cells: red blood cells, white blood cells and platelets. The red blood cells are small, thin and disc shaped. They are composed of an iron containing component called hemoglobin. When blood passes through the lungs each hemoglobin molecule picks up four oxygen molecules and it supplies the oxygen to the body's tissues. Red blood cells also transport the $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ from the tissues to the lungs. The lungs throw out this gas when we exhale. The WBC are big and they are few when compared with RBC, numbering only for every 700 red cells. They are the body's defenders, the soldiers that fight bacteria and other enemies. One kind, for instance destroys dead cells, Other kind produces antibodies against viruses. Some others eat up and digest bacteria. Platelets are like round or oval plates. They are the
key elements in blood clotting. When a blood vessel is cut, the platelets rush to the place. They stick to the edges of wound clump together and seal the hole.
45. Read the following advertisement and prepare a resume/bio-data/CV considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified.

WANTED
A Public Sector Company requires a Personal Assistant for its office, preferably a graduate with 5 years experience.
Apply within a week to:
P.O.BOX 895, New Delhi - 110005.
(or)
Write a paragraph on 'Uses and abuses of mobile phone' (or) 'Save the earth'.
46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them.
(a) I lived in this house for 5 years.
(b) I have called on my friend last week.
(c) Copper is an useful metal.
(d) He is not a honourable man.
(e) I met an European yesterday.
(or)
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
a) Dravid is a $\qquad$ cricketer in the $\qquad$ country of India. (populous / popular)
(b) Teach me to fish, I $\qquad$ (live) for a life time.
(suitable form of verb)
(c) Man proposes $\qquad$ God disposes. (use the correct link word)
(d) Elders should not be insulted. (This is an example of $\qquad$ passive voice)
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue.
(a) India moves on EXIDE.
(b) Richard Madhuram acts as "King Maker - the life of Kamaraj".
(c) My objective is to defeat those who indulge in vote bank politics.
(d) Sania comes a cropper against Venus.
(e) The best way to serve God is to wait for His orders.
[Sports, Politics, Business, Religion, Cinema]
(or)
Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

Some insects are harmful to human beings. The poison of the black widow spider causes unbearable pain. It stiffens the muscles of the abdomen and causes death to some of the victims. Some kinds of mosquitoes carry germs that causes diseases such as malaria, yellow fever and sleeping sickness. The mosquitoes pick up the germs and pass them on to the people they bite. Flies play a part in spreading such diseases as cholera, dysentery and typhoid fever. All insects which carry germs and spread diseases live and breed only in dirty places. So we can prevent such diseases if we keep our houses free of dirt.

## Questions:

(a) How harmful is the bite of the black widow spider?
(b) What are the diseases caused by mosquitoes?
(c) How do mosquitoes play a part in spreading diseases?
(d) Why are flies harmful to us?
(e) What is the necessity of keeping our surroundings clean?

## Key Answers

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 5

| 1. b | 2. c | 3. b | 4. d | 5. c | 6. a | 7. c | 8. c |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9. b | 10. b | 11. a | 12. a | 13. c | 14. a | 15. b | 16. a |
| 17. a | 18. a | 19. b | 20. b |  |  |  |  |

27. Vijay asked Ajay why he was late that day. Ajay replied that he had missed the school bus.
28. If I were a bird, I would fly.
29. Brindha, who is a teacher, teaches English.
30. The bag is very heavy and so I can't lift it.
31. 

a) dispose
b) catches
c) to err
46. i) a) I have has been living in this house for 5 years.
b) I called on my friend last week.
c) Copper is a useful metal.
d) He is not an honourable man.
e) I met a European yesterday.
ii)
a) popular, populous
c) but
b) will live
d) Impersonal passive voice
47. a) business b) cinema c) politics d) sports e) Religion (OR)
a) The bite of the black widow spider causes unbearable pain. It stiffens the muscles of the abdomen and causes death to some of the victims.
b) Malaria, Cholera, dysentery and typhoid fever
c) The mosquitoes pick up the germs and pass them on to the people they bite.
d) Flies play a part in spreading diseases like cholera, dysentery and typhoid fever.
e) it is necessary to keep our surroundings clean to prevent diseases.

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 6

## XII - STANDARD <br> English

Time: 3 hrs
Max. Marks: 90
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.

## PART I

## Answer all the questions.

(20×1=20)
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. No more humps to tantalize us with hopes of success.
(a) taunt
(b) delight
(c) provide
(d) cause
2. Individual liberty would have become social anarchy.
(a) Lawfulness
(b) legality
(c) lawlessness
(d) orderliness
3. but there is not much stimulation in it.
(a) strength
(b) encouragement
(c) weakness
(d) eagerness

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. I could scarcely believe my eyes.
(a) sufficiently
(b) barely
(c) narrowly
(d) hardly
5. I experienced not only agony and fear but also anger.
(a) pain
(b) comfort
(c) insult
(d) fortitude
6. The result would be that Piccadilly Circus would be a maelstrom that you would never cross at all.
(a) harmony
(b) chaos
(c) clear
(d) storm
7. Choose the blended form of "heliport".
(a) helicopter + port
(b) helicopter + bus port
(c) copter + port
(d) helicopter + air port
8. Choose the right definition for the given term "genocide".
(a) killing of a race
(b) killing of a child
(c) killing of a God or a divine being
(d) killing of a monster
9. Choose the meaning of the idiom.

We waited for the dust to settle before talking to the farmers on strike.
(a) wait for a solution
(b) wait for a situation to become clear
(c) wait for a situation to take action
(d) wait aimlessly
10. Choose the correct combination for the compound word 'upkeep'
(a) Noun + Adjective
(b) Adverb + Noun
(c) Adverb + Verb
(d) Verb + Noun
11. Choose the American English word for "sweets".
(a) candies
(b) toffees
(c) cookies
(d) chokkies
12. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word 'code'.
(a) in
(b) re
(c) un
(d) de
13. Choose the most appropriate conjunction / connector and complete the sentence.

Take an umbrella $\qquad$ it rains.
(a) since
(b) and
(c) in case
(d) in case of
14. Choose the correct polite word for the underlined word below.
The children went to the loo.
(a) living room
(b) rest room
(c) drawing room
(d) lavatory
15. Choose the correct plural form of the word 'bureau'.
(a) bureau
(b) bureaues
(c) bureaux
(d) bureauess
16. Replace the underlined word choosing the most appropriate phrasal verb.
He extinguished the lamp.
(a) put off
(b) put down
(c) put in
(d) put out
17. Choose the appropriate preposition and complete the sentence.

The competition will commence $\qquad$ Monday.
(a) for
(b) to
(c) from
(d) on
18. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate marginal modal.
You $\qquad$ report before 10 AM .
(a) ought to
(b) dare to
(c) used to
(d) need to
19. Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following sentence.
He seldom goes to the park $\qquad$ ?.
(a) did he
(b) does he
(c) did not he
(d) doesn't he

## 20. Choose the appropriate pattern of the following sentence.

Raju painted the walls green.
(a) SVOA
(b) SVOC
(c) SVIODO
(d) SVAA

PART II / Section - 1
Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it.
( $4 \times 2=8$ )
21. Is second childishness and more oblivion
sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything
(a) Which stage of man is referred to here?
(b) Give the meaning of the word, 'sans'.
22. Legs wide, arms locked behind

As if to balance the prone brow.
(a) Whose action is described here?
(b) What is meant by the phrase, 'prone brow'?
23. A creeper climbs in whose embraces bound No other tree could live.
(a) How dose the tree survive the tight hold of the creeper?
(b) Pick out the words in alliteration.
24. Tell him to the different from other people if it comes natural and easy being different.
(a) What are the poet's thoughts on being different?
(b) What condition does the poet lay for being different?
25. We could do nothing, being sold
(a) Why couldn't they do anything?
(b) Why did they feel helpless?
26. Little remains : but every hour is saved

From that eternal silence, something more
A bringer of new things and vile it were
(a) How is every hour important to Ulysses?
(b) What does the term 'Little remains' convey?

## Section-2

## Answer any three of the following questions.

27. Rewrite in other speech.

Moorthy asked Murali whether he would like to watch a film with him the next day.
28. Rewrite using positive degree.

Vetri is one of the smartest contestants.

## 29. Rewrite as directed.

If I had seen you, I would have greeted you.
[Begin with "Had"]
30. Transform the following into a simple sentence.

While the cat is away, the mice will play.

## PART III / Section - 1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.
31. How can this shameful tale be told?
32. Mewling and Puking in the nurse's arms.
33. A tough will counts, so does desire.

## Section-2

Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
34. What were the various jobs undertaken by Nicola and Jacobo?
35. What was the profound lesson that Dr. Barnard learnt from the boys?
36. What is the foundation of social contract?

## Section-3

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

## 37. Complete the dialogue:

Patient : Is Dr. Venkatasundaram available this evening? I have a review meet on Friday.
Receptionist : I am sorry madam (i)

Patient (ii)

Receptionist : Yes mam. You please confirm the appointment for Thursday at 10 a.m.
Patient : (iii)
38. Edit the following passage and rewrite the corrected passage:
A officer in Andhra Pradesh who was in charge of tribal development found that the tribals put certain gums and wooden materials in turbid water to make the water clear. Apparently some chemical or physical action takes place which absorb the materials that make the water turbid. Being curious this officer approached the few scientists who, on experimentation, find that materials used by the tribal even has the property of absorbing heavy minerals, such as nuclear metals.
39. Fill in the blanks with suitable determiner.
(a) The unicorn is $\qquad$ one - horned horse.
(b) Fill in the blank with suitable tense form. Slow and steady $\qquad$ (win) the race.
(c) Frame a question for which the following sentence is an answer.

The books are on the table.
40. Match the proverbs with their meanings.

| Proverb | Meaning |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1. Art is long and life is short | a) Appearances are <br> deceptive |
| 2. All that glitters is not gold | b) We should be thankful for <br> any offer |
| 3. Beggars can't be choosers | c) Man cannot live long |

## PART IV

## Answer the following questions.

## Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.

41. Justify the title of the story "Two Gentlemen of Verona".

How did Hillary and Tenzing prepare themselves before they set off to the summit?
42. Describe the reminiscences of the poetess Toru Dutt when she sees the Causiriana tree.
(or)
Napoleon was a great source of inspiration to his army - Justify.
43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:
Ausable - spy - never looked like - fat - sloppy - Fowler - writer

- enter room - Max - gun trotting - documents - Fowler thrilled
- Ausable spins story - about balcony - Max believes there is balcony - knock on door - Ausable says - it is police - Max panicked - jumped out - dies - presence of mind. (or)
Venus - children - wait for sun - after 7 years - continuous rain - saw sun - when 2 years old - 7 years ago - Margot - thin pale girl - Ohio - USA - saw sun when 4 year old - describes sun - others - jealous - lock her up - sun comes out - only for two hours - rain again batters - children reformed - open the lock - release Margot

44. Write a summary or Make notes of the following passage.

As what geographers have estimated, about twenty percent of the earth's surface is occupied by deserts. A majority of us view deserts as one unique kind of landscape -- areas with little or no rainfalls. In actual fact, there are differences among the deserts, though in varying degrees. Despite the fact that rainfall is minimal, temperatures do change in deserts, ranging from seasonal ones to daily changes where extreme hotness and coldness are experienced in the day and night. Unfavorable conditions in the deserts, especially the lack of water, have discouraged many living things from inhabiting these landscapes. One such kind is the specialist annual plants which overcome seasonal temperature changes with their extremely short, active life cycles. Their flowers bloom and set seeds that ripen quickly in the hot sun too. Once the water runs dry, the mother plant dies, leaving behind the drought-resistant seeds, waiting patiently for the next rainy season to arrive. The Cacti, a native in American deserts, adapts to the dry surroundings by having unique body structures. The plant has swollen stems to help store water that carries it through months. By having sharp pines instead of leaves, water loss through respiration is minimized. Besides plants, there are also animals with distinct surviving tactics in deserts too. For instance, Skinks (desert lizards) producing water to supplement their needs, just like what camels do with the stored food in their humps during long journeys through deserts, it keeps fat in its tail. It generates water from the fats. Antelopes like the addax, have very low water needs and hence are able to tolerate the conditions in deserts, extracting moisture from the food they eat. Finally, there are the sandgrouse (desert birds) which do not have special features to overcome the drought-like nature in deserts. Hence, to survive in these hot, dry deserts, they need to spend a large part of their time flying in search of waterholes.

## 45. Read the following advertisement and prepare a resume/bio-data/CV considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified:

## WANTED

Wanted enterprising young men for the post of Salesmen for our new branch, dealing in textiles.
Minimum Qualification required : A degree from any of the recognised universities with at least 2 years experience in the field.
Apply with your curriculum vitae to:
RS. PVT. LTD., No. 10, Greams Road, Chennai - 600006.
(or)
Write a paragraph on 'Advantages and disadvantages of Social media' (or) 'Empowerment of women'
46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them :
(a) He is sleeping for four hours.
(b) She has left school last year.
(c) When I saw him he is playing.
(d) Discussing the problems with neighbours are not advisable.
(e) If you practice you would win.
(or)
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
a) An $\qquad$ scientist warned about the $\qquad$ danger of nuclear war. (imminent/eminent)
(b) In primitive times, stone implements $\qquad$ (employ) to kill animals. ( suitable form of verb)
(c) $\qquad$ you work hard, you will not clear the semester. (use the correct link word)
(d) I have a new car. (In this sentence, 'have' is a $\qquad$ verb) Fill in the blank suitably.
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue.
(a) She applied for visa to go to America.
(b) He is an expert in using pedagogical methods.
(c) The yield of cash crop is increasing due to rain.
(d) Primary market is concerned with issue of new shares.
(e) Manual data processing involves use of papers at each stage.
[Education, Agriculture, Travel, Computer, Commerce]

> (or)

## Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

A patriot is a man who loves his country, works for it, and is willing to fight and die for it. Every soldier is bound to do his duty, but the best soldiers do more than this. They risk their lives because they love the country they are fighting for. They love its hills and valleys, its cities and villages, its people and their way of life and they are willing to defend it to the last against enemies who try to conquer it and destroy it.

## Questions:

a) 'Risk' means:
i) miss
ii) lose
iii) endanger
iv) meet
b) Who is a patriot?
c) What do the best soldiers do?
d) Why do they risk their lives?
e) What do they love?

## Key Answers

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 6

| 1. a | 2. c | 3. b | 4. a | 5. b | 6. b | 7. d | 8. a |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9. b | 10. c | 11. c | 12. d | 13. c | 14. b | 15. c | 16. d |
| 17. d | 18. a | 19. b | 20. b |  |  |  |  |

27. Moorthy said to Murali, "Would you like to watch a film with me tomorrow"?
28. Very few contestants are as smart as Vetri.
29. Had I seen you, I would have greeted you.
30. The cat being away, the mice will play.
31. i) He is not available.
ii) Can I get an appointment on Thursday?
iii) Thank you mam.
32. An officer in Andhra Pradesh who was in charge of tribal development found that the tribals put certain gum and wooden materials in turbid water to make the water clear. Apparently some chemical or physical action takes place which absorbs the materials that make the water turbid. Being curious this officer approached the few scientists who, on experimentation, found that materials used by the tribal even have the property of absorbing heavy minerals, such as nuclear metals.
33. a) a
b) wins
c) Where are the books?
34. 35. c
1. a
2. b
3. i) a) He has been sleeping.
b) She left school last year.
c) When I saw him he was playing.
d) Discussing the problems with neighbours is not advisable.
e) If you practice you will win.
ii) a) eminent, imminent
b) were employed
c) Unless
d) Anomalous Finite
4. a) Travel
b) Education
c) Agriculture
d) Commerce
e) Computer
a) iii) endanger
b) A patriot is a man who loves his country, works for it, and is willing to fight and die for it.
c) The best soldiers can do better than a patriot.
d) They risk their lives for the fake of the nation.
e) They love its hills and valleys, its cities and villages, its people and their way of life.

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 7

## XII - STANDARD <br> English

Time: 3 hrs
Max. Marks: 90
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.

## PART I

## Answer all the questions.

$(20 \times 1=20)$
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. They only drink it in order to be warmed and stimulated.
(a) motivated
(b) discouraged
(c) only (a)
(d) only (b)
2. Something basic that was full of solace for me.
(a) suffering
(b) serious
(c) comfort
(d) great

3 can do what we choose, be wise or ridiculous.
(a) confusion
(b) scrutiny
(c) declare
(d) comic

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. He was glaring at his young brother in vexation.
(a) agitation
(b) annoyance
(c) happiness
(d) none of these
5. He glanced at us hopefully.
(a) hopelessly
(b) desperately
(c) both (a) and (b)
(d) neither (a) nor (b)
6. ...... but this is merely one of a myriad of major and
(a) infinite
(b) limited
(c) countless
(d) unlimited
7. Choose the correct expansion of "CBSE".
(a) Central Bureau of Secondary Education
(b) Central Based Secondary Education
(c) Central board of Secondary Education
(d) Central Board of Senior Education
8. One who studies languages and their functions is called
(a) Musicologist
(b) Ornithologist
(c) Linguist
(d) Dermatologist
9. Choose the meaning of the idiom

The bank is round the corner.
(a) very near
(b) opposite
(c) very far
(d) in the street corner
10. Choose the correct combination for the compound word 'black tea'
(a) Noun + Verb
(b) Adjective + Verb
(c) Adjective + Noun
(d) Noun + Noun
11. Choose the American English word for 'pull over'.
(a) vest
(b) sweater
(c) overcoat
(d) waist coat
12. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word 'recognize'.
(a) in
(b) re
(c) un
(d) de
13. Choose the most appropriate determiner and complete the sentence.

How $\qquad$ sugar do you want?
(a) many
(b) much
(c) long
(d) more
14. Choose the correct substitute word for the underlined word below.
This material is for slow learners.
(a) gifted students
(b) high achievers
(c) late bloomers
(d) differently abled
15. Choose the correct plural form of the word offspring.
(a) offsprings
(b) offspring
(c) offspringes
(d) offspringess
16. Replace the underlined word choosing the most appropriate phrasal verb.
The CBI investigated the scandal case.
(a) look on
(b) look into
(c) look back
(d) look after
17. Choose the appropriate preposition and complete the sentence.
Everyone prayed ............. Baby Surjeet's safe retrieval from the bore well.
(a) for
(b) to
(c) from
(d) by
18. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate Marginal Modal.
We $\qquad$ close the bore well right now.
(a) ought to
(b) dare to
(c) used to
(d) need to
19. Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following sentence.
Water is scarcely available here $\qquad$ ?
(a) isn't it
(b) is it
(c) does it
(d) doesn't it
20. Choose the appropriate relative pronoun of the following sentence.

This is $\qquad$ I expect from you.
(a) when
(b) where
(c) who
(d) what

## PART II / Section - 1

## Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it. <br> ( $4 \times 2=8$ )

21. The giant wears the scarf, and flowers are hung

In crimson clusters all the bough among
(a) What is the poetic device employed in the above lines?
(b) Why is the scarf colourful?
22. There was a little private gate

A little wicked wicket gate
(a) What does the wicked gate mean?
(b) Mention the figure of speech used here.
23. A film the mother - eagle's eye

When the bruised eaglet breathes .
(a) Who is compared to the mother eagle?
(b) Explain the compassion.
24. For his shrink - shank and his big manly voice Turning again towards childish treble, pipes
(a) Pick out the alliterated words.
(b) Explain 'shrink - shank'.
25. That ever with a frolic welcome took

The thunder and the sunshine and opposed
(a) What do 'thunder' and 'sunshine' refer to?
(b) What do we infer about the attitude of the sailors?
26. Tell him time as a stuff can be wasted

Tell him to be a fool every so often
(a) Why does the poet suggest that time can be wasted?
(b) Write the poetic device employed in the above lines.

Section-2
Answer any three of the following questions.
$(3 \times 2=6)$
27. Report the dialogue.

Conductor: Where do you want to go?
Passenger: Give me a ticket to Puducherry.
Conductor: Give me Rs. 250/-
28. Rewrite the sentence using 'unless'.

If you prepare well you will score high marks.
29. Rewrite as directed.

If I were a fish I would swim in the river. (Begin with 'Were')
30. Combine the following into a simple sentence.

I ran fast. I could board the bus.

## PART III / Section - 1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
31. He works his work, I mine.
32. I will maintain until my death
33. it is the tree's lament, an eerie speech.

## Section-2

Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
34. What does the profound lesson that Dr. Barnard learnt from the boys?
35. How would 'liberty' cause universal chaos?
36. Were the boys saving money to go to the states? How do you know?

## Section - 3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $3 \times 3=9$ )
37. Rearrange the word and phrases to make meaningful sentences:
(a) Jane Austen / was / novelist / Emma / by the famous / written
(b) an integral part / sports / of education / should be
(c) to reduce stress / in our lives / an excellent way / laughing / is
38. Write a dialogue between a mother and her son who is weak in English. (Minimum of three exchanges)
39. Describe the process of making greeting cards.
40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below.
(a) Failures are $\qquad$ stones to success.
(b) Fine $\qquad$ make fine birds.
(c) Still waters $\qquad$ deep.
(run, stepping, feathers)

## PART IV

Answer the following questions.

## Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.

41. What are the aspects that contribute to humour in the essay "A Nice Cup of Tea"?

Civilization can only exist when the public collectively accepts constraints on its freedom of action. Explain.
42. Describe the various stages of a man's life picturised in the poem "All the World's a stage".

List the roles and responsibilities Ulysses assigns to his son Telemachus, while he is away.

## 43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:

Pi Patel - an Indian boy - survives 227 days after shipwreck stranded on a life boat - Bengal tiger - Richard Parker - a Hyena and sharks - beneath him - search water - finds water - drinks enough - leaves the tiger in the jungle - reunited with his family (OR)
Lord Weston - judge - coward - finds paper - Remember Caesar - thinks - a threat to his life - steps to save - close doors drenches a parcel - thinking it a bomb - his wife ridicules - hear a knock at the door - it was gardener Caesar - paper written by Weston - to remind - Humorous end.

## 44. 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 illnesses 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 ulcer more frequently than people who do not use alcohol.
45. Read the following advertisement and prepare a resume/bio-data/CV considering yourself fulfilling the conditions specified:

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(or)
Write a paragraph on 'Importance of cleanliness' (or) 'The leader you like to follow'.
46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them :
(a) The leader as well as the boys have gone to the office.
(b) He was made laughing by my jokes.
(c) I am happy, isn't it?
(d) I have ordered for a cup of tea.
(e) He gave me a lot of advice.
(or)
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
(a) The moisture is $\qquad$ to the heavy $\qquad$ . (due/ dew)
(b) You $\qquad$ not return the money.
(Use a semi modal verb)
(c) While I $\qquad$ (read) a book, he shouted at me. (Use a suitable tense form)
(d) This is $\qquad$ most interesting story I have ever read. (Fill in with a determiner)
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue.
(a) It was a thrilling win for Roger Federer.
(b) Palestenians have decided to go to polls.
(c) A new software is adopted to make operations easier.
(d) This oil massage will refresh you a lot.
(e) Britney Spears will release a new album next month.
[Music, Computer, Politics, Sports, Health]
(or)

## Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

The origins of the English Dictionary are found in the late 16th century when people became aware of the two levels of English ('learned', 'literacy' distinct from 'spoken', 'popular') to an extent that made it desirable to gloss one's level in the other's terms. Cawdrey's 'Table Alphabetical of Hard Words' (1604) containing about3000 words might be called the first English dictionary but it is 'The Dictionary of the English Language' brought out in 1755 by Dr. Samuel Johnson that stands as one of the two great landmarks in English lexicographical history. Johnson's objective was to produce "a dictionary by which the pronunciation of our language may be fixed, and its attainment facilitated; by which its purity may be preserved, its use ascertained, and its duration lengthened." He wrote the definitions, some playfully, of over 40,000 words illustrating them with about 114,000 quotations drawn from every field of learning and literature from the 16th century onwards. The work, though scanty in etymological knowledge remained without rival until the creation of the Oxford English Dictionary (OED) (18841926) edited by a group of lexicographers. The OED attempts to give a full history of the development of all English words since the 12th century with full illustrative quotations, ordered
according to the principal distinct sense of the word. It has been updated by a series of supplements through the centuries. The possibility of one organized on synchronic, rather than historical, principles was brought close when in 1984 the OED files began to be converted into a computerized database.

## Questions:

(a) When was the first English dictionary compiled?
(b) Why was it compiled?
(c) What are the features of Johnson's dictionary?
(d) Of the two landmarks of English lexicographical history which is more in use today?
(e) What dictionary do you use and how often do you use it?

## Key Answers

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 7

| 1. c | 2. c | 3. d | 4. c | 5. a | 6. b | 7. d | 8. c |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9. a | 10. c | 11. a | 12. d | 13. b | 14. c | 15. b | 16. b |
| 17. a | 18.a | 19. b | 20. d |  |  |  |  |

27. The conductor asked the passenger where he wanted to go. The passenger asked him to give him a ticket to Puducherry. The conductor asked him to give him Rs. 250
28. Unless you prepare well, you will not score high marks.
29. Were I a fish, I would swim in the river.
30. Running fast, I could board the bus.
31. a) Emma is written by the famous novelist Jane Austen.
b) Sports should be an integral part of education.
c) Laughing is an excellent way to reduce stress in our lives.
32. a) stepping
b) feathers
c) run
33. i) a) has gone
b) to laugh
c) aren't I
d) delete 'for'
e) advice
(OR)
ii) a) due, dew
b) need
c) was reading
d) the
34. 35. Sports
1. Politics
2. Computer
3. Health
4. Music
(OR)
a) In 1755, the first English dictionary was compiled.
b) It was compiled to fix the pronunciation of the language and to facilitate its attainment.
c) Johnson's dictionary had over 40,000 words illustrating them about 114,000 quotations drawn from every field of learning and literature from the 16th century onwards.
d) Computerized data is more in use today.
e) I use Oxford Advanced Learners' English Dictionary regularly.

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 8

## XII - STANDARD <br> English

Time: 3 hrs
Instructions:

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## PART I

Answer all the questions.
(20×1=20)
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. And very soon this trolley was commandeered by an intrepid crew of two - a driver and a mechanic.
(a) boisterous
(b) weak
(c) bold and daring
(d) cowardly
2. ..........the tents flapped and shook under the perpetual South Col gate.
(a) waved
(b) moved up and down
(c) shook
(d) flagged
3. Liberty is not a personal affair but a social contract.
(a) commitment
(b) disagreement
(c) misunderstanding
(d) right

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. but there's not much stimulation in it.
(a) motivation
(b) inspiration
(c) fatigue
(d) energy
5. .the tents flapped and shook under the perpetual South Col gate.
(a) continual
(b) permanent
(c) continuous
(d) intermittent
6. The end of such liberty would be universal chaos.
(a) world
(b) complete
(c) unidentified
(d) individual
7. Choose the correct expansion of 'GPS'.
(a) Globe Priority Station
(b) Global Positioning Station
(c) Global Positioning Satellite
(d) Global Positioning System
8. The study of principles of beauty is called
(a) genetics
(b) aesthetics
(c) statistics
(d) physics
9. Choose the meaning of the idiom.

The collector has the whip hand in district administration.
(a) most powerful
(b) powerless
(c) weak
(d) fragile
10. Choose the appropriate compound word for the combination 'Noun + Gerund'.
(a) ear mark
(b) book binding
(c) spelling book
(d) air ticket
11. Choose the British English word for 'cookies'.
(a) chocolates
(b) sweets
(c) biscuits
(d) chips
12. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word "usual".
(a) in
(b) re
(c) un
(d) de
13. Choose the most appropriate unclipped word for 'mark'.
(a) market
(b) demarket
(c) demarcate
(d) remark
14. Choose the meaning for the foreign word in the following sentence.

The sum was paid 'Ex gratia'.
(a) moral obligation
(b) immoral obligation
(c) humble obligation
(d) special obligation
15. Choose the correct singular form of the word larvae.
(a) larvum
(b) larvus
(c) larva
(d) Iarvam
16. Choose the tetra syllabic word.
a) campaign
(b) university
(c) expensive
(d) biology
17. Identify the pattern of the following sentence.

The question paper is very easy to answer.
(a) SVIODO
(b) SVCA
(c) SVAA
(d) SVOA
18. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate Modal.
The medicine $\qquad$ be kept in the refrigerator.
(a) can
(b) could
(c) must
(d) will
19. Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following sentence.
The pair of shoes near the door is not yours $\qquad$ ?
(a) isn't it
(b) is it
(c) are they
(d) aren't they
20. Choose the appropriate relative pronoun of the following sentence.

The watchman and the dog $\qquad$ entered the hotel were stopped.
(a) who
(b) which
(c) that
(d) whom

## PART II / Section - 1

Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it.
( $4 \times 2=8$ )
21. How can this shameful tale be told?

I will maintain until my death.
(a) Whom does 'I' refer to?
(b) What is the figure of speech used in the first line?
22. What is that dirge - like murmur that I hear Like the sea breaking on the shingle - beach
(a) What does the poet compare the murmur to?
(b) Mention the figure of speech used here.
23. All the world's a stage

And all the men and women merely players
(a) Why does the poet compare the world to a stage?
(b) Write out the alliterated words..
24. Though scudding drifts the rainy Hyades

Vexed the dim sea : I am become a name
(a) What is 'Hyades'?
(b) Mention the figure of speech employed in the above line.
25. The growth of a frail flower in a path up

Has sometimes shattered and split a rock
(a) What does a frail flower do?
(b) Write out the words of alliteration in the second line.
26. Legs wide arms locked behind

As if to balance the prone brow
(a) What is meant by prone brow?
(b) Write the words of alliteration.

## Section-2

Answer any three of the following questions.
27. Change the following into indirect speech.

Geeta said to Angel, " Will you help me to pack my bag?"
28. Rewrite the sentence using 'passive voice'.

It's time to ring the bell.
29. Rewrite as directed.

If I had known you were ill, I would have come to meet you. (Begin with 'Had')
30. Rewrite the following into a simple sentence.

Praveen ran so fast into the field so that he might congratulate the winners.

## PART III / Section - 1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.
31. The Marshal's in the market - place

And you'll be there anon
32. To strive, to seek, to find, and not to excel
33. We watched the mowers in the hay.

## Section-2

## Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each. <br> ( $2 \times 3=6$ )

34. Why does the author advise removing cream from milk?
35. Why did Hillary become clumsy fingered and slow moving?
36. How can we sweeten the life journey?

## Section-3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.
$(3 \times 3=9)$
37. Expand the following news headlines:
(a) Committee to implement new policy of Education.
(b) Museum to showcase Keeladi artefacts.
(c) TRAI fixes ring timings for mobiles and landlines.

38 Extend the dialogue given below.
(Minimum of three exchanges)
PET Master : Why are you late today?
Student : I missed my school bus sir.
39. Describe the process of organizing a birthday party.
40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below.
(a) Think before you ............ (jump, leap, write)
(b) ............ and tide wait for none. (time, gold, everybody)
(c) Time is $\qquad$ (time, gold, everybody)

## PART IV

## Answer the following questions.

Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.
41. How did a casual incident in a hospital help Dr. Barnard perceive a new dimension of life?

> (or)

Explain in your own words "What freedom means".
42. Describe the reminiscences of the poet, when she sees the Casuariana tree.

> (or)

How, according to the poet, is it possible for his own to bring changes into a world that resents change?
43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:
Aksionov - sentenced - 26 years - crime not committed - wife doubted - devasted - resigns to himself - turns up to God works hard - reads books -earns respect in prison - Makar - wicked - blame on Aksionov - meets in prison - repents for mistakes - finally - comes forward to tell the truth - but Aksionov dies.

Ausable - spy - never looked like - fat - sloppy - Fowler - writer - enter room - Max - gun trotting - documents - Fowler thrilled - Ausable spins story - about balcony - Max believes there is balcony - knock on door - Ausable says - it is police - Max panicked - jumped out - dies - presence of mind.
44. Write a summary or Make notes of the following passage

Sea water is unfit for drinking. The water of the Dead Sea is about six times salty. It is called the Dead Sea because almost none of nature's creatures can live in this environment. It is mainly the Jordan which flows into it and at the surface, it is less salty. The Dead sea is deadly to ferns, plants and even to all kinds of fish. Any fish which accidentally swims into it from fresh water source is killed instantly. Its body is coated with mineral salts and tossed ashore. Human beings do not perish in it. Why? The answer to this question lies in your science teacher's exam question: Is it easier to swim in fresh water or sea water and why? The answer is that just as you find it easier to swim in the ocean or the sea than in the swimming pool, it is much easier to swim in the Dead Sea with its extreme concentration of minerals and consequent high density. It is really easy to float in the Dead Sea. Why is the Dead Sea so salty? The Dead Sea is located on the border between Israel and Jordan. It is completely landlocked, thus no water can leave it except by evaporation. It is hot there, So, evaporation takes place very rapidly making the sea salty.
45. Write a letter to $A Z$ company requesting them to replace the defective juicer that you bought recently. Include the following details: the problem, the date of purchase, receipt number, model and warranty.

> (or)

Write a paragraph on 'The Need for New Education Policy' (or) 'A visit to an exhibition'
46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them :
(a) A bad weather prevented the match from continuing.
(b) We look forward to receive the chief guest.
(c) The criminal was to be hung last Sunday.
(d) The sun is setting in the west.
(e) David with his neighbours were quizzed by the police.
(or)
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
a) He told us a $\qquad$ about a donkey's $\qquad$ . (tail / tale)
(b) He $\qquad$ consult his parents right now.
(Fill in with a modal verb)
(c) They $\qquad$ a fantastic programme. (Fill in with an Anomalous Finite verb)
(d) ___ there is no hike in their salary, the workers are on strike. (use a linker)
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue.
(a) Organic fertilizers have increased the produce of the land.
(b) The Prime Minister visited France for talks on the nuclear deal.
(c) Faith in God helps one to lead a peaceful life.
(d) The Nilgiri's Biosphere has been affected by pollution.
(e) Indian athletes have performed well in the final of the World Championships.
[Religion, Sports, Environment, Agriculture, Politics] (or)

## Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

It took three long years for my coming into existence after the idea of a new currency was conceived. I was conceived and named on 1st Jan, 1999, when eleven European countries decided to have a new money from i.e. the Euro. My value was determined according to the conversion rate fixed by these countries in terms of their own currencies. On 1st January 2002, I was circulated as currency notes when twelve countries adopted me as their currency. Some countries opposed the idea of using me and initially refused to accept me. But now almost all the European countries have accepted me as valid currency. My brother Dollar who is in America, my brother Lira residing in Italy and my sister Sterling were quite jealous of me but soon they accepted my existence and started respecting me. I now enjoy a place of pride among all the currencies in the world and almost everyone accepts me freely.

## Questions:

(a) What is the passage about?
(b) How many countries decided to have new currency?
(c) When was the Euro circulated as currency?
(d) Name the currencies of America and Italy.
(e) What is the present status of the Euro?

## Key Answers

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 8

| 1. a | 2. a | 3. a | 4. c | 5. d | 6. d | 7. d | 8. b |
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| 9. a | 10. b | 11. b | 12. c | 13. c | 14. a | 15. c | 16. d |
| 17. b | 18. c | 19. b | 20. a |  |  |  |  |

27. Geeta asked Angel if she would help her to pack her bag.
28. It's time for the bell to be ring.
29. Had I known you were ill, I would have come to meet you.
30. Praveen can fast to congratulate the winners.
31. 

a) leap
b) time
c) gold
46. i) a) Delete ' $A$ '
b) receiving
c) hanged
d) sets
e) was quizzed
(OR)
ii) a) tale, tail
b) must / should
c) had
d) As
47. a) Agriculture b) Politics c) Religion d) Environment
e) Sports
a) The passage is about currency.
b) 11 countries.
c) On Ist January 2002.
d) Dollar and Lira.
e) Euro is accepted by the nations all over the world.

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER-9

## XII - STANDARD <br> English

Time: 3 hrs
Max. Marks: 90
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.

## PART I

Answer all the questions.
(20×1=20)
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. If you are going to fill it nearly to the brim.
(a) step
(b) edge
(c) steep
(d) vertical
2. There was a grand finale of scattered plates and silverware.
(a) climax
(b) boring
(c) beginning
(d) commencing

3 I scraped the ice off the gauges and was relieved to find out........
(a) rubbed
(b) removed
(c) added
(d) deleted

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. One night, we came upon them in the windy and deserted square.
(a) inhabited
(b) isolated
(c) uninhabited
(d) emptied
5. He had full confidence in the mechanic.
(a) trust
(b) faith
(c) belief
(d) diffidence
6. We are much more conscious of the imperfections of others
(a) concerned
(b) impressed
(c) unmindful
(d) mindful
7. Choose the correct expansion of 'UGC'.
(a) Universal Grants Commission
(b) University Grants Corporation
(c) University Grants Commission
(d) University Grants Council
8. The study of speech sounds is called
(a) genetics
(b) aesthetics
(c) statistics
(d) phonetics
9. Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning:
A car stopped in front of our house.
(a) drew on
(b) drew up
(c) drew off
(d) drew over
10. Choose the appropriate compound word for the combination 'Gerund + Noun'.
(a) day dreaming
(b) book binding
(c) dancing bird
(d) water up
11. Choose the British English word for "fall".
(a) down
(b) autumne
(c) autumn
(d) spring
12. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word "differ".
(a) ful
(b) ance
(c) ence
(d) ly
13. Choose the most appropriate unclipped word for 'varsity'.
(a) universe
(b) university
(c) universal
(d) unique city
14. Choose the meaning for the foreign word in the following sentence.

Boswell who wrote the biography of Dr. Johnson is Dr. Johnson's protégé.
(a) independent
(b) dependent
(c) free bird
(d) proposed
15. Choose the correct combination for the blended word 'netizen'.
(a) internet + citizen
(b) inter + citizen
(c) interval + citiaen
(d) international + citizen
16. Choose the tri syllabic word.
(a) eastern
(b) strong
(c) crusader
(d) decrease
17. Identify the pattern of the following sentence.

Birds fly high in the sky.
(a) SVIODO
(b) SVCA
(c) SVAA
(d) SVOA
18. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate Modal.
I $\qquad$ do anything for Prema.
(a) can
(b) could
(c) must
(d) will
19. Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following sentence.
Let's take this matter to the court,
(a) will we
(b) wont we
(c) shan't we
(d) shall we
20. Choose the appropriate relative adverb of the following sentence.
This is the place $\qquad$ the meeting will be held.
(a) when
(b) where
(c) who
(d) how

## PART II / Section - 1

Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it.
( $4 \times 2=8$ )
21. You know we French stormed Ratisbon
(a) By whom was Ratisbon stormed?
(b) What is the figure of speech used in the above line?
22. .......... free imaginations

Bringing changes into a world resenting change
(a) How does free imagination help the world?
(b) Mention the poetic device used here.
23. To follow knowledge like a sinking star

Beyond the utmost bound of human thought
(a) How is the comparison made here?
(b) Write out the alliterated words..
24. Seeking the bubble reputation
(a) What is 'Bubble reputation'?
(b) Mention the figure of speech employed in the above line.
25. By that hoar tree, so beautiful and vast, The water lilies spring, like snow enmassed.
a) What does 'hoar' mean?
b) What is the figure of speech employed here?
26. Our only enemy was gold
a) What is the real enemy?
b) Write the words of assonance.

## Section-2

Answer any three of the following questions.
27. Change the following into direct speech.

The little boy exclaimed sorrowfully that his dog was dead.
28. Rewrite the sentence using 'positive form of degree'. The pen is mightier than the sword.
29. Rewrite as directed.

Teach me swimming. (change the gerund to infinitive)
30. Rewrite the following into a complex sentence.

This is not the way to answer.

## PART III / Section - 1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
31. With deathless trees - like those in Borrowdale

Under whose awful branches lingered pale
32. A tough will counts;' so does a desire
33. This is my son, mine own Telemachus.

## Section-2

## Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each. <br> ( $2 \times 3=6$ )

34. What made the boys of Verona join the resistance movement against the Germans?
35. How does Dr. Barnard know the boy who played the trolley's driver?
36. Why should individual liberty be curtailed?

## Section-3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.
$(3 \times 3=9)$
37. Write three sentence about the data.

The graph shows a comparison in \%, in opting for various courses of study at the higher education level, between the early 60's and late 90's.

38. How will you open a savings bank account in a nationalised bank?
39. Frame a dialogue. (Minimum of three exchanges)

Dialogue between two cricket players after their team lost a match very narrowly.
40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below:
(a) Don't rob Peter to pay $\qquad$ .
(b) $\qquad$ sometimes nods.
(c) Don't build $\qquad$ in the air.
(Homer, Paul, Castles)

## PART IV

## Answer the following questions.

## Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.

41. Give an account of the journey to the South Col from 28,000 feet.
(or)
Which character do you like most in the story "Two Gentlemen of Verona"? Substantiate your answer.
42. Describe the seven stages of man.
(or)
What is the role of young soldier in the victory of the French at Ratisbon?

## 43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:

Baldwin - honest - loyal to boss - Gresham arrested - for fraud in Bank - Baldwin advises - to return money - Gresham refuses - he offers 100 thousand dollars - to tell three words - I don't remember - Baldwin refuses - family members ask him to accept bribe - Baldwin - refuses - awarded in the end - new bank job - Gresham confesses his fault

Lord Weston - judge - coward - finds paper - Remember Caesar - thinks - a threat to his life - steps to save - close doors drenches a parcel - thinking it a bomb - his wife ridicules - hear a knock at the door - it was gardener Caesar - paper written by Weston - to remind - Humorous end.

## 44. Write a summary or Make notes of the following passage

Today the sense of responsibility and the devotion to work is disappearing slowly among the younger generation. Students' agitation has become a common scene now-a-days. So it has become essential to prepare the youth for their
prosperous future and for the stronger nation. With this view in mind, the centre has introduced the national service scheme in schools and colleges. A coordinator has been appointed for the conduct of the scheme. In every school and college a teacher is deputed in charge of it. Fifty students from high secondary classes are admitted into the scheme. In colleges students who are willing to join the scheme are enrolled in it. The aim of the scheme is to inculcate the qualities like leadership, cooperation, adjustability, discipline, team-spirit, a sense of responsibility and service mindedness. The scheme includes traffic regulation, helping the public, cleaning the surroundings, rural service, adult education etc. It conducts camp for ten days in rural areas. It also conducts national integration camps to understand and appreciate the culture of each state. Really this scheme shapes the youth into good and dutiful citizens.
45. Write a letter to your friend who is hospitalized for treatment of Dengue fever. Advise him/her not to worry about the illness and to be positive. Assure him/her of your psychological and to financial help during the crisis.
(or)
Write a paragraph on 'Importance of Reading' (or) 'A Village Festival'.

## 46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them :

(a) Russians sent up the first earth satellite.
(b) The majority of boys like playing football.
(c) This fruit tastes bitterly.
(d) That pair of scissors belong to me.
(e) What would you do if you had been the manager?
(or)
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
a) The $\qquad$ on yoga helped him to $\qquad$ his back pain. (lessen / lesson)
(b) How $\qquad$ you oppose the leader? (semi modal verb)
(c) You $\qquad$ not read every chapter. (semi modal verb)
(d) The scientist $\qquad$ (leave) India on the 12th of January. (suitable form of verb)
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue.
(a) China-Russia border trade gets a boost.
(b) India bags a gold medal in wrestling.
(c) The Health Department is taking remedial Measures to curb Ebola infection.
(d) Farmers learn mite control measures.
(e) English learning lab was opened for the students.
[Medicine, Commerce, Agriculture, Education, Sports]

## Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

Schools all over India celebrate 'Children's Day on 14th November every year. On this day, our great Prime Minister who had a great love for children was born. His ancestors came down from Kashmir to the rich plains below. Kaul had been his family name; this changed to Kaul - Nehru; and in later years Kaul was dropped and they became simply Nehrus. Jawaharlal Nehru was the only son of his prosperous parents. His two sisters were much younger to Jawaharlal Nehru. And so, he grew up and spent his early years as a lonely child with no companion of his own age. Private tutors were in charge of his education. Then he went to England and was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge.

## Questions:

(a) Why is 14th November celebrated as Children's Day?
(b) Why did Jawaharlal Nehru spend his early years as a lonely child?
(c) Where did Pt. Nehru's forefathers come from?
(d) How many brothers and sisters did Jawaharlal Nehru have?
(e) Name the educational institution he attended in England?

## Key Answers

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 9

| 1. b | 2. a | 3. a | 4. a | 5. d | 6. c | 7. c | 8. d |
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| 9. b | 10. c | 11. c | 12. c | 13. b | 14. b | 15. a | 16. c |
| 17. c | 18. d | 19. d | 20. b |  |  |  |  |

27. The little boy said, "Alas! My dog is dead."
28. The sword is not so mighty as the pen.
29. Teach me to swim.
30. This is not the way in which you should answer.
31. a) Paul
b) Homer
c) Castles
32. i)
a) The Russians
b) A majority
c) bitter
d) belongs
e) if you were the manager
ii) a) lesson, lessen
b) dare
c) need
d) left / will leave
33. a) Commerce
b) Sports
c) Medicine
d) Agriculture
e) Education
(OR)
a) Nehru liked children very much. So his birthday is celebrated as Children's day.
b) Nehru's two sisters were much younger than Nehru.
c) Pt. Nehru's forefathers came from Kashmir.
d) Jawaharlal Nehru had two sisters.
e) Trinity college.

## MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 10

## XII - STANDARD <br> English

Time: 3 hrs
Max. Marks: 90
Instructions:

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## PART I

## Answer all the questions.

(20×1=20)
Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. They shined shoes, sold fruit, hawked newspapers.
(a) bought
(b) purchased
(c) sold
(d) shouted
2. I had eleven broken ribs and a perforated lung.
(a) damaged
(b) punctured
(c) both (a) and (b)
(d) neither (a) nor (b)
3. If liberty entitled the pedestrians to walk down the middle of the road, then the end
(a) forbid
(b) allowed
(c) permitted
(d) both (b) and (c)

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.
4. In some countries teapots are fitted with little dangling baskets
(a) hanging
(b) steady
(c) limping
(d) flagging
5. I cooked them over the fierce flame of the Primus.
(a) moderate
(b) strong
(c) powerful
(d) slow
6. We persisted in our efforts to beat a trail up it.
(a) slackened
(b) continued
(c) followed
(d) hastened
7. Choose the correct expansion of "RAW".
(a) Research \& Analysis Wing
(b) Research \& Analytical Wing
(c) Respond \& Analysis Wing
(d) Research \& Association Wing
8. The study of fossils is called
(a) sociologist
(b) paleontologist
(c) optimist
(d) archeologist
9. Fill in with the appropriate phrasal verbs from the options given.
The government $\qquad$ the old pension scheme.
(a) cut on
(b) cut up
(c) cut off
(d) cut down
10. Choose the appropriate combination for the compound word 'sleeping bags'.
(a) Gerund + Adverb
(b) Gerund + Verb
(c) Gerund + Noun
(d) Gerund + Adjective
11. Choose the British English word for 'bin'.
(a) trash
(b) garbage
(c) hook
(d) can
12. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word "manage".
(a) ful
(b) ance
(c) or
(d) ment
13. Choose the most appropriate unclipped word for 'mike'.
(a) telephone
(b) microphone
(c) gramaphone
(d) microbiology
14. Choose the meaning for the foreign word in the following sentence.

People want to maintain the status quo.
(a) law and order
(b) a complete change
(c) introduce new rules
(d) retain the existing condition
15. Choose the suitable preposition.

The boy fell $\qquad$ a deep borewell.
(a) down
(b) in
(c) into
(d) inside
16. Replace the underlined word with a polite alternative. The rules don't permit beating the children with a cane in the school.
(a) severe punishment
(b) cruel punishment
(c) corporal punishment
(d) civilian punishment
17. Identify the pattern of the following sentence I bought a laptop yesterday.
(a) SVIODO
(b) SVCA
(c) SVAA
(d) SVOA
18. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate Modal.
The rules of the road ............. be followed by every one.
(a) can
(b) could
(c) must
(d) should
19. Choose the most appropriate question tag for the following sentence.

One can't be too careful $\qquad$
(a) can one
(b) can he
(c) can they
(d) can you
20. Choose the appropriate relative adverb of the following sentence.

This is the best solution $\qquad$ I would like to suggest.
(a) which
(b) what
(c) whose
(d) that

## PART II / Section - 1

## Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it. <br> ( $4 \times 2=8$ )

21. Oh then our maze of tunneled stone Grew thin and treacherous as air
(a) What is meant by 'treacherous'?
(b) What is the figure of speech used in the first line?
22. Up to its very summit near the stars

A creeper climbs, in whose embraces found
a) Who embraces whom?
b) Mention the poetic device used in the first line.
23. Sighing like furnace, with a woeful ballad

Made to his mistress' eyebrow
(a) What does 'woeful ballad' mean?
(b) Mention the figure of speech.
24. One equal temper of heroic hearts

Made weak by time and fate, but strong in will
(a) Explain the second line.
(b) Write out the words of alliteration in the first line.
25. Tell him to be alone often and get at himself

And above all tell himself no lies about himself
(a) Does the father motivate telling lies?
(b) What is the poetic device employed here?
26. Let once my army-leader Lannes

Waver at yonder wall
(a) Who is Lannes?
(b) Write the words of alliteration.

## Section-2

Answer any three of the following questions.
27. Change the following into other speech. "Just let me sleep a bit longer, Pradeep", Varshini begged.
28. Rewrite the sentence using 'superlative form of degree'. I cannot do anything better for you than this.
29. Rewrite as directed.

His coat is tattered. It needs mending. (Combine into a simple sentence)
30. Rewrite the following sentence using infinitive form. Children love eating icecream.

## PART III / Section - 1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
31. Life is a soft loam; be gentle; go easy
32. And see the great Achilles, whom we knew
33. The rugged trunk, indented with deep scars.

Section-2
Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.
( $2 \times 3=6$ )
34. How does adding sugar affect the taste of tea?
35. When did Hillary feel a sense of freedom and well being?
36. What does the traffic policeman symbolize?

## Section-3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.
$(3 \times 3=9)$
37. Write three sentences about the data.

INSECT POPULATION
Before dumping garbage

38. What will you do if your article is rejected by the magazine? Describe the process.
39. Frame a dialogue. (Minimum of three exchanges)

A dialogue between students with the teacher about home work.
40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below:
(a) $\qquad$ is the best teacher.
(b) $\qquad$ cuts diamond.
(c) $\qquad$ don't catch flies.
(Diamond, Eagles, Experience)

## PART IV

Answer the following questions.
Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words.
41. Discuss how the essay of Orwell reveals the factual points and the author's personal opinions on the preparation of tea.

Liberty is not only a personal affair but a social contract Elucidate.
42. Human greed led to the mighty fall of the citadel - Explain.

Shakespeare has skillfully brought out the parallels between the life of man and actors on stage. Elaborate this statement with reference to the poem.

## 43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the

 following hints:Venus - children - wait for sun - after 7 years - continuous rain - saw sun - when 2 years old -7 years ago - Margot - thin pale girl - Ohio - USA - saw sun when 4 year old - describes sun - others - jealous - lock her up - sun comes out - only for two hours - rain again batters - children reformed - open the lock - release Margot

> (or)

Pi - from Pudhucherry - stranded in life boat - left with a leopard - hyena - very thirsty - look for water - close to tiger - overpowers - finds water cans - comes to life after drinking water - elixir of life - learnt - tiger who scared him brought peace - wholeness - after 227 days - Pi reunites with family.

## 44. Write a summary or Make notes of the following passage

Sparrows are found in many parts of the world and they are of several kinds. The one that is best known to us is the house-sparrow. But there is also the hedge-sparrow that makes its nest in hedges and bushes. A noisy bird, the house - sparrow has its own song, mainly made up of a series of calls and twitters. It makes its nest in a hole or some niche in the house. This nest is no more than an arrangement, not a very tidy one, of paper and straw which may be lined with wool and hair. The hedgesparrow is more slender than the house- sparrow. It is brown, black and bluish grey in colour. It too sings, often a warbling
song. Like the house-sparrow it hops on the ground and makes its own untidy nest. Sparrows eat seeds of many different kinds. But much more than seeds, they feed on insects. They lay eggs which number three to six (at onetime).
45. Write an application for the post of Personal Secretary to the Managing Director of a company. Include the following details: Educational qualifications, experiences, various other qualifications required for the post.

Write a paragraph on 'Rain Water Harvesting' (or) ' Excursion to Coutrallam'.
46. i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them :
(a) No one know the answer.
(b) Children prefer sweets than fruits.
(c) He is my cousin brother.
(d) Jim is one of the best student in the class.
(e) He is a M.Sc student.
(or)
ii) Fill in the blanks appropriately.
(a) The nurse tried in $\qquad$ to get the $\qquad$ . (vein/vain)
(b) He $\qquad$ submit his work on time. (semi modal verb)
(c) The experiment had to $\qquad$ (stop) because of power failure. (suitable form of verb)
(d) He was happy $\qquad$ his poverty. (use the correct phrase /preposition)
47. Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue.
(a) The board had decided to give the shareholders a dividend of 25 percent.
(b) A salaried employee in the highest slab pays income tax at 33.66 percent.
(c) For programming, people use the binary system.
(d) Every plant organ has a definite form and structure and it performs certain specific functions.
(e) "My goal is winning a Grand Slam," says Sania Mirza. [Botany, Sports, Taxation, Business, Computer]

Read the following passage and answer in your own words.

Speech is a great blessing but it can also be a great curse, for while it helps us to make our intentions and desires known to others, it can also, if we use it carelessly, make our attitude completely misunderstood. A slip of the tongue, the use of an unusual word, or of an ambiguous word, may create an enemy where we had hoped to win a friend. Again different classes of people use different words, and the ordinary speech of an educated man may create the impression to an uneducated listener that he was showing off with his skill: Unwittingly we may use a word which bears a different meaning to our listener from what it does to a man of his own class. Thus speech is not a gift to use lightly without thought, but one which demands careful handling: Only a fool would express himself alike to all kinds and conditions of people and situations.

## Questions:

(a) In what way is speech a blessing to mankind?
(b) Describe how words could make an enemy out of someone you would like to be a friend
(c) Why is an educated man's speech considered boastful by an uneducated listener?
(d) How should speech be used?
(e) How does one prove himself a fool through his speech?

## Key Answers

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| 1. c | 2. d | 3. d | 4. b | 5. a | 6. a | 7. a | 8. b |
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| 9. c | 10. c | 11. d | 12. d | 13. b | 14. d | 15. c | 16. c |
| 17. d | 18. c | 19. a | 20. d |  |  |  |  |

27. Varshini begged Pradeep to let her sleep a bit longer.
28. This is the best thing I can do for you.
29. His tattered coat needs mending.
30. Children love to eat ice cream.
31. a) Experience
b) Diamond
c) Eagles
32. i)
a) knows
b) to
c) He is my cousin.
d) best students
e) an MSc
ii) a) vain, vein
b) should, must
c) be stopped
d) in spite of
33. a) Business
b) Taxation
c) Computer
d) Botany
e) Sports
a) Speech helps us make our intentions and desires known to others.
b) A slip of the tongue, the use of an unusual word or of an ambiguous word may create an enemy where we had hoped to win a friend.
c) It is because he may use a word which bears a different meaning.
d) Speech should be used with careful handling.
e) Only a fool would express himself alike to all kinds and conditions of people and situations.
