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ENGLISH — Paper ITime Allowed : $2\frac{1}{2}$ Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

Instruction : In your answer-book, use the Arabic numerals **1** to **63** of the question you answer.

PART - A**(Marks : 32)**

I. Answer any *three* of the following questions in about 30 words each. Each question carries *two* marks : $3 \times 2 = 6$

1. What are the rules of the road ?
2. What is the message conveyed through the story 'What Happened to the Reptiles' ?
3. Why was Robert convinced that Joan had come from God ?
4. Why did the chalkline boundary frighten young Tagore ?

II. Explain any *two* of the following excerpts with reference to the context. Each carries *three* marks : $2 \times 3 = 6$

5. The whole night they advance and retreat.
6. "House keeping ain't no joke."
7. If I faltered there would be no arms to hold me.
8. My inner and outer lives are based on the labour of other men living and dead.

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III. Answer any *two* of the following questions, each in a paragraph of about 100 words. Each question carries *five* marks : $2 \times 5 = 10$

9. Discuss the rise and fall of Makara.
10. How is the element of the supernatural brought out in 'St. Joan' ?
11. How could one's individual liberty pave way to an ideal social order ?
12. Write a paragraph on Einstein's childhood.

IV. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 200 words. Each question carries *ten* marks : $1 \times 10 = 10$

13. How does Tagore compare his boyhood with that of the modern child ?
14. Why did Mrs. March pretend to be ill ? Justify her act.

PART - B

(Marks : 27)

V. Answer any *three* of the following questions each in not more than 30 words. Each question carries *two* marks : $3 \times 2 = 6$

15. How is joy similar to a butterfly ?
16. What does the poet want to do once he gains the will ?
17. How did the lover of the girl die ?
18. Describe Mrs. Alice Bird in two or three lines.

VI. Answer the questions for any *two* of the following excerpts from the prescribed poems. Each question carries *three* marks : $2 \times 3 = 6$

19. "O is it the parson they want, with white hair,

Is it the parson, is it ?"

- i) Who is a parson ?
- ii) Why do soldiers visit a parson in times of war ?
- iii) What does 'white hair' imply ?

20. "If hopes were dupes fears may be liars

It may be, in yon smoke concealed."

- i) What is contrasted with hope ?
- ii) What is the poet's opinion about hope ?
- iii) Why should fear be shunned ?

21. "I am not yet born; rehearse me

In the parts I must play and the cues I must take."

- i) What is the request of the speaker ?
- ii) What are cues ?
- iii) Bring out the image in the above lines.

22. "And this shall be for music when no one else is near,

The fine song for singing, the rare song to hear."

- i) What does this refer to ?
- ii) What is compared to a rare song ?
- iii) What are the rhyming words ?

VII. Answer any *two* of the following, each in about 100 words. Each question carries five marks : 2 × 5 = 10

23. What is the prayer of the soul before its entry into this world ?

24. What is the central theme of the poem 'Romance' ? Explain.

25. Write a paragraph on how the element of suspense is developing in the poem 'O What is That Sound !'.

26. Explain how the tragic news affected the lady love of the young man.

VIII. 27. Quote from memory either of the following : 5

Joy's like a

..... with strangers near.

OR

Where there is

..... this is my mantra.

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PART - C

(Marks : 18)

IX. Choose the appropriate response which conveys a similar meaning to the italicized word / phrase in the main sentence. 5 × 1 = 5

28. He shook a *pesky* rat off his tail.

- i) The warbling of nestling moved the mother bird.
- ii) The annoying hum of the bee disturbed Ragu.
- iii) The food was inedible.

29. We are all *liable* to forget this.

- i) He never accepts others' arguments.
- ii) The foolish merchant allowed the camel to keep its neck inside his tent.
- iii) It is possible that we may be attacked.

30. She is a *bourgeoise*.

- i) She is generous.
- ii) She belongs to an aristocratic family.
- iii) She hails from a traditional middle class family.

31. When material is in *profusion* the mind gets lazy.

- i) A lazy mind is a devil's workshop.
- ii) Due to excess production, the price of wheat has come down.
- iii) There is scarcity of water due to drought.

32. Does the *inertia* of a body depend on its energy content ?

- i) The feeling of inability to move shocked the fragile old man.
- ii) The school system is functional.
- iii) Human body has a lot of resistance against viral attacks.

X. Choose the most appropriate antonyms of the italicized words from the *four* alternatives given with each sentence. $5 \times 1 = 5$

33. Meg advised Jo *prudently*.

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| i) wisely | ii) sensibly |
| iii) reasonably | iv) imprudently. |

34. The *release* of hatchlings is over before daybreak.

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| i) liberty | ii) fasten |
| iii) capture | iv) collect. |

35. We scampered round the track in a burst of *spontaneous* joy.

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| i) extempore | ii) impulsive |
| iii) instinctive | iv) premeditated. |

36. Albert systematically and *methodically* built his house of cards.

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| i) disciplined | ii) orderly |
| iii) disorderly | iv) firmly. |

37. They sent *urgent* messages to their relatives.

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| i) pressing | ii) immediate |
| iii) quickly | iv) leisurely. |

XI. Use any *two* of the following words in sentences of your own : $2 \times 1 = 2$

38. culinary

39. bully

40. endangered.

XII. Use any *two* of the following phrases in sentences of your own : $2 \times 1 = 2$

41. call in

42. set out

43. throw out.

XIII. Fill in the blanks, choosing the right alternatives given in the brackets :

$2 \times 1 = 2$

44. A tiger usually its victim before actually killing it.

(*stocks/stalks*)

45. A rolling stone gathers no

(*mass/moss*)

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- XIV. a) Use one word for the phrasal verb or idiom italicized in either of the following sentences : 1

46. We *called on* our cousin at Kalimpong on our way back.

OR

Monisha caught sight of her sister Meena in the crowd.

- b) Use a phrasal verb or an idiom in the place of the italicized word in either of the following sentences : 1

47. The father's efforts to mend his son's ways were *futile*.

OR

Occasionally, Monisha does household chores.

PART - D

(Marks : 23)

- XV. Rewrite as directed. Marks are indicated against each item :

48. The war having ended, the soldiers returned.

(Change into a *Complex sentence*) 1

OR

Though Titanic is a box office hit, I have not seen it.

(Change into a *Compound sentence*)

49. Hermann shifted his family to Munich to start an electrical business.

(Change into a *Complex sentence*) 1

OR

You must tell the truth or you will not be forgiven.

(Change into a *Simple sentence*)

50. Makara sent a letter to the tortoises. (Change the *voice*) 1

OR

The building has been demolished recently. (Change the *voice*)

51. Some birds are heavier than penguins.

(Rewrite using *Positive degree*) 1

OR

Hockey is not so dangerous as cricket.

(Rewrite using *Comparative degree*)

52. How beautiful you look in this dress !

(Change into an *Assertive sentence*) 1

OR

The young hatchlings are killed by birds, ?

(Supply a *Question tag*)

53. Naga was the head of the snakes. He pleaded for more time.

(Combine into a *Simple sentence*) 1

OR

Don't lie. Your parents will be unhappy.

(Combine into a *Complex sentence*)

54. The man is social animal.

(Correct the sentence) 1

55. Identify the type of clauses in the given sentence : 2

The eggs are taken to the sanctuary where they are put in their nests.

56. Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles : $4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$

..... incubation takes about 55 days and young hatchlings emerge from nest hatchlings measure 1.5 inch long and weighs less than 30 gm.

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57. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions :

$4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$

If I choose to go the strand a dressing-gown,
..... long hair and bare feet, who shall say me nay ? You have
liberty laugh at me.

58. "Well Prem," said the old man, "did my story send you off to dreamland ?"

(Rewrite in the Reported form of speech)

2

OR

Roger said that he felt that the moment of a lifetime had come.

(Rewrite in the Direct form of speech)

59. a voice shouting relax penetrated me above the noise of the crowd i learnt
afterwards it was stampfls

(Punctuate the sentence)

2

60. Fill in the blanks with the correct tense forms of the verbs given in
brackets :

$3 \times 1 = 3$

We (have) a whole Kingdom in which we (rule)
alone, (can do) what we (choose), be wise or
ridiculous.

61. No, Mala doesn't like lipstick.

(Frame a suitable question)

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OR

Mosquito breeds on stagnant water.

(Frame a 'Wh' question)

62. Identify the sentence pattern :

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Before leaving they cover the nests with sand.

63. Frame a sentence on the given pattern :

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