

Common Instructions to Candidates :

- 1) This is a question cum answer paper booklet.
- 2) Space is provided to write answers below each question. Answer should be written within the space provided.
- 3) This question paper has 54 questions including the matching type question.
- 4) Candidate should not write the answer with pencil. Answer written with pencil will not be evaluated.
- 5) In case of multiple choice, fill in the blanks and matching questions, scratching, rewriting & marking is not allowed. Answers with such errors will not be evaluated.

I. Four alternatives are given for each of the following questions / incomplete statements. Only one of them is correct or most appropriate. Choose the correct or most appropriate alternative and write it in the space provided below each question. [15 x 1 = 15]

1. The postmaster, finally, gave Andy his master's letter when
 - a) Durfy introduced him.
 - b) Andy requested him to give the letter.
 - c) Andy paid eleven pence postage.
 - d) Andy questioned the postmaster for having called him a goose.

Ans: (C) Andy paid eleven pence postage. [1]

2. Who was the toughest batsman that Chandrashekar had to bowl against?
 - a) Vivian Richards.
 - b) Zaheer Abbas.
 - c) Clive Lloyd.
 - d) Ken Barrington.

Ans: (D) Ken Barrington. [1]

3. Students at Karnal gathered at the school premises the second time
 - a) in anticipation of the safe landing of spacecraft.
 - b) to mourn the death of Kalpana.
 - c) to set off fire crackers.
 - d) to see the spacecraft.

Ans: (B) to mourn the death of Kalpana. [1]

4. Why were the intellectuals stunned in the King's court?
 - a) Daksha came forward to solve the Pandit's problem.
 - b) Daksha selected the King as her prize.
 - c) The King called Daksha the wisest of the wise.
 - d) Daksha solved the Pandit's problem.

Ans: (A) Daksha came forward to solve the Pandit's problem. [1]

5. The beggarmaid entered the court with her arms across her breast because
- a) it was the custom in those times. b) it was her practice.
c) she felt shy. d) it was very cold.

Ans: (C) she felt shy. [1]

6. The Lord of Tartary would be summoned to meal by
- a) musicians. b) beating drums.
c) harp and mandoline. d) trumpeters.

Ans: (D) trumpeters. [1]

7. Man has to trust God's grace because
- a) God will never let the believer down.
b) God is our creator.
c) Man has feeble sense.
d) God moves in a mysterious way.

Ans: (A) God will never let the believer down. [1]

8. The king was puzzled when
- a) Daksha solved the Pandit's problem.
b) The farmer spoke refined language.
c) Daksha solved the problem of hatching eggs.
d) Daksha took away his hand and chose that he was his prize. [1]

Ans: (D) Daksha took away his hand and chose that he was his prize.

9. Children liked the school 'Retreat' because
- a) there were no examinations.
b) there was no punishment.
c) it was started by the Sarabhai's.
d) they found a unique way of learning.

Ans: (D) they found a unique way of learning. [1]

10. People of Europe put on more clothes than the People of Asia because
- a) they were fond of clothes. b) they were rich.
c) they live in a cold climate. d) they are more civilized.

Ans: (C) they live in a cold climate. [1].

11. Bhuvana is an honest lady. The word 'honest' is
- a) a verb. b) an adverb.
c) a noun. d) an adjective.

Ans: (D) an adjective. [1].

12. One word for, a person whose job is to prepare medicine and sell is a
- a) Doctor. b) Pharmacist.
c) Merchant. d) Scientist.

Ans: (B) Pharmacist. [1].

13. The word that takes the prefix 'dis' is
- a) Comfort. b) Possible.
c) Pleasant. d) Understand.

Ans: (A) Comfort. [1].

14. "Like a hurt bitch, she bared her teeth".
The figure of speech in the above line is

- a) Metaphor. b) Personification.
c) Simile. d) Alliteration.

Ans: (C) Simile. [1].

15. Why _____ you not come to school yesterday? The correct auxiliary verb to be filled in blank is

- a) have. b) did.
c) does. d) were.

Ans: (B) did. [1].

II. 16. Fill in the blank with suitable preposition :

Vikram was good _____ science.

Ans: at [1]

17. Fill in the blank with the appropriate conjunction :

Remember not gun powder _____ a letter.

Ans: but [1]

18. Fill in the blank with a suitable article :

Who do you think is _____ finest batsman?

Ans: The [1]

19. Fill in the blank with the appropriate tense form of verb given in brackets :

A person who _____ [know] me came into the office and introduced me.

Ans: Knew [1]

20. Fill in the blank with the appropriate form of the word given in brackets :

The Scientist was _____ [success] in his efforts.

Ans: Successful [1]

III. 21. Match the words in list ‘A’ with their meanings in list ‘B’. Write the correct answer in the space provided. [5 x 1 = 5]

A	B	Answers
a) gay	1) deathless	a) <u>happy</u> [1]
b) grace	2) cruel	b) <u>favour</u> [1]
c) feat	3) courage	c) <u>achievement</u> [1]
d) immortal	4) shocked	d) <u>deathless</u> [1]
e) savage	5) expect	e) <u>cruel</u> [1]
	6) happy	
	7) favour	
	8) achievement.	

IV. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences each : [10 x 2 = 20]

22. What made Narendranath visit Sri Ramakrishna? What did he ask him?

Ans: Narendranath met Sri Ramakrishna to know about existence of God - he asked ! Have you seen God!. $\left[1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right]$

23. How do you say that Narendranath was an all rounder?

Ans: Narendranath was good at singing, sports telling stories - liked to meditate ready wit. $\left[1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right]$

24. What is the opinion of the author about the great countries who fight each other?

Ans: The great countries are called barbarous. It is not a civilized or sensible thing for the countries to fight - kill thousands and millions. $\left[1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right]$

25. Why did Bhima refuse to jump over the monkey?

Ans: Bhima could have jumped over the monkey's body - he did not do so - against the scriptures. $\left[1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right]$

26. What according to Tagore, is the ultimate aim of man?

Ans: The ultimate aim of man is to attain deliverance - attained by working hard and also by being useful to society. $\left[1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right]$

27. Why did the Duchess go on strike?

Ans: Her father shifted the family to Milan - missed all the comforts - roads not well. $\left[1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right]$

28. How can you say that Chandrashekar was great fan of Mukesh?

Ans: They were great friends - Mukesh died - Chandrashekar normally does not fly flew to Bombay to attend his funeral. $\left[1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right]$

29. What does the expression 'laugh with their teeth' mean?

Ans: The expression 'laugh with their teeth' means false laughter - not natural but only a pretension. $\left[1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right]$

30. Why do you think that Kalpana, as a girl, was unique?

Ans: We learnt to be brave, adventurous, show initiative, enterprise, creativity. [1½ + ½]

31. What made Gandhiji think of going back to the third standard?

Ans: English became the medium of instruction - Gandhiji found difficult to understand - Geometry was a new subject - difficult to learn. [1½ + ½]

V. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow: [5 x 3 = 15]

32. “Why don’t you ask you stupid thief?”.

a) What should he ask?

Ans: Where he had to go in the town? [1].

b) What reply did he give?

Ans: He replied “I don’t like to be troublesome Sir”. [1].

c) Who does the ‘stupid thief’ refer to?

Ans: Andy [1].

33. “I can try to solve the problem”.

a) What was the problem?

Ans: To empty the ocean with this wooden bowl. [1].

b) When did the speaker say so?

Ans: When nobody solved the problem of Mahapandiji. [1].

- c) Who does 'I' refer to?

Ans: 'I' refers to Daksha. [1]

34. "She in her poor attire was seen".

- a) Who does 'she' refer to?

Ans: The Beggarmaid. [1]

- b) How does she look like in her poor attire?

Ans: She look likes a moon in the clouded skies [1]

- c) What does the word 'attire' mean in the context?

Ans: Dress [1]

35. "This was his only pleasure".

- a) What was his pleasure?

Ans: Look at the gold in the hole. [1]

- b) When did he lose his pleasure?

Ans: One night, a robber, stole all his treasure. [1]

- c) Who does 'his' refer to?

Ans: The miser. [1]

36. "It was a very prestigious position".

- a) Who was it a prestigious position for?

Ans: Prestigious position for Dr. Sarabhai. [1]

- b) When was the position offered to him?

Ans: The position offered in 1968. [1]

- c) What was the prestigious position?

Ans: The prestigious position as the chairman of the UN conference on outer space. [1]

VI. 37. Quote from memory :

[4]

God moves in a mysterious way

His wonders to

_____ perform;

He plants his footsteps in the sea,

And rides upon the

_____ storm

Judge not the lord by feeble sense,

But trust him

_____ for his grace.

OR

Sweet little red feet, Why should you die?

[4]

Why would you leave me, sweet bird,

_____ why?

You lived alone on the forest tree,

Why, pretty thing ! could you not live

_____ with me?

I kiss'd you oft and gave you white peas!

Why not live sweetly, as in the

_____ green trees?

VII. Answer the following questions in five or six sentences each:

38. What made Andy return from the post office without bringing his master's letter?

OR

Narrate how Vimal Gulwadi and Hema Shilonikar display courage.

Ans: Mr. Durfy introduced Andy to the post master - he asked his master's letter - post master asked him to pay eleven pence - Durfy paid only four pence - he refused to pay 11 pence - waited for half an hour - the post master didn't give him the letter - went back without a letter. [2 + 2]

OR

Vimal Gulwadi and Hema Shinolikar were brave - they entered the court hall - the judge entered and shocked - they commanded the judge to get back - told him that India has attained freedom.[2 + 2]

39. Narrate the qualities of the poet's mother as stated by P-Lankesh.

OR

Describe in your own words the dream of Walter de la Mare as narrated in the poem Tartary.

Ans: The Poet's mother was a strong woman. She ploughed and wanted it. She grew hundred measures of millet - She spent her youth - lived for the welfare of her family - aggressive even at the dangerous time - became furious when her son or husband went out of the way - was not religious lady. [2 + 2]

OR

Walter de la Mare imagines how would live - bed would be of
ivory-thrown would be of beaten gold-Tiger, Peacocks, fishes
were in the Tartary - trumpeters call him for meals - the palace
would be shining - he was undisputed lord of fruits. [2 + 2]

VIII. Rewrite as directed:

40. Frame a question to get the underlined words as answer:

Chandrashekar retired in 1981.

Ans: When did Chandrashekar retire? [1]

41. Combine using “neither - - - - - nor”.

Pramod is not clever. Pramod is not intelligent.

Ans: Pramod is neither clever nor intelligent. [1]

42. Write the other degrees of:

Gandhiji was greater than any other man of our generation.

Ans:

a) Gandhiji was the greatest man of our generation. [1]

b) No other man of our generation was so as great as Gandhiji. [1]

43. Change into indirect speech:

The minister said to Ravi, “Come to the office with your daughter tomorrow”. [2]

Ans: The minister asked Ravi to come to the office with his daughter the next day.

44. Point out the difference in meaning between the pair of words using them in meaningful sentences: [2]

Some, Sum

Ans:

a) Grammatically correct sentences.

b) _____.

45. Use the word 'Concentrate' first as noun and then as verb in meaningful sentences. [2]

Ans:

a) Grammatically correct sentences.

b) _____.

46. Combine following sentences using first as 'too' and then as 'so..... that not'.
This man is proud. He does not own his fault.

Ans:

a) This man is too proud to own his fault. [1]

b) This man is so proud that he doesn't own his fault. [1]

IX. 47. Imagine that you are Krishna / Parimala of 23, Fort Road, Gorur.

Write a letter to your friend asking him / her to attend your sister's marriage using the clues given below.

25th May _____ in a temple _____ a few relative invited _____ no dowry _____ bridegroom a teacher _____ apply leave and come.

OR

Write a letter of complaint to the postmaster, Santhamarur – using clues given below.

A big village of thousand houses _____ only one postman _____ postman resides in a town _____ comes late to the office _____ returns early _____ irregular in delivering letters and money orders _____ instruct him to be punctual.

Ans: _____ [3 + 2]

Format

Logical sequences

Grammatically correct sentences

XI. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

After I had my lunch at a wayside inn. I looked for my bag. I had left on a chair beside the door and it was not there now! As I was looking for it, the inn-keeper came in.

“Did you have good meal?” he asked.

“Yes, thank you”, I answered, “but I can’t pay the bill”. I haven’t got my bag.

The inn-keeper smiled and immediately went out. In a few minutes returned with my bag and gave it back to me. “I’m sorry,” he said, “My dog had taken it into the garden. He often does that”.

49. Who is the ‘He’?

Ans: The Dog or Inn Keeper. [1]

50. What does ‘that’ refer to?

Ans: In the habit of taking the bag of the customer into the garden. [1]

51. Pick out the word from passage which means ‘by the side of’.

Ans: Beside [1]

52. Why couldn’t he pay the bill?

Ans: His money bag was missing. [1]

53. Who had taken the bag into the garden?

Ans: The inn-keeper’s dog. [1]

54. When did he notice his bag missing?

Ans: After his lunch at a way side inn. [1]

