

**SECTION - A Vocabulary (20 marks)**

**I.(1) Choose the appropriate synonym of the underlined words:** (5 x 1 = 5)

The beggar extended his hands for alms(i). Seeing the piteous(ii) expression on his face the boy had a profound(iii) surge of sympathy in his heart. He tendered (iv) a ten rupee note to the beggar and left with a well-defined(v) expression of satisfaction on his face.

- (i) a) handshake b) gloves c) offering d) greeting
- (ii) a) hopeful b) angry c) frank d) sorrowful
- (iii) a) strong b) prominent c) sincere d) daring
- (iv) a) took b) offered c) extracted d) revealed
- (v) a) strongly spoken b) well cultivated  
c) very stubborn d) clearly marked

**(2) Choose the appropriate antonym of the underlined word:** (5 x 1 = 5)

My expectations were soaring(i) high at the prospect of visiting my brother in the US. I was much excited (ii) and triumphantly(iii) announced to my friends the date of my journey. On landing at the airport, its exceptional(iv) beauty and grandiose (v) environment amazed me.

- (i) a) shooting b) searing c) decreasing d) descending
- (ii) a) calm b) deprived c) exhilarated d) denied
- (iii) a) tremendously b) dejectedly  
c) shamefully d) unsuccessfully
- (iv) a) exciting b) electrifying c) uncommon d) usual
- (v) a) unimpressive b) grand c) weak d) ugly

**II. Answer any ten of the following.** (10 x 1 = 10)

- (3) The common expansion of **SR** is  
a) Suburban Railways b) Standard Railways  
c) Southern Railways d) Steam Railways
- (4) Choose the sentence that is correct in its meaning:  
a) She looked pale after her illness.  
b) She looked pail after her illness.
- (5) Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English word.  
Don't leave the cupboard unlocked.
- (6) Which of the words given below can be placed after 'cricket' to form a compound word?  
a) field b) court c) ground d) area
- (7) What is the plural form of the word 'son-in-law'?  
a) son-in-laws b) sons-in-law c) sons-in-laws
- (8) Attach a suffix to the word 'hero' from the list given below to complete the sentence.  
He exhibited his hero by fighting bravely.  
a) ....ity b) .....ism c) ish d) .....ic
- (9) Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning.  
The lawyer managed the case cleverly.  
a) dealt in b) dealt with c) dealt out d) dealt on
- (10) Separate the syllables of any one of the following words:  
**a) reverence b) documentation c) fascinating**
- (11) Choose appropriate word to make a meaningful sentence:  
The rhythm of the songs was fast and ....  
a) interesting b) melodious c) lively d) quick
- (12) Construct a sentence using one of the words given below:  
**a) free b) freedom c) freely**
- (13) Reframe sentence using the underlined word as a noun.  
He was penalised for his disobedience.
- (14) Which of the two sentences given below conveys the following meaning?  
**'We will always remember those happy days.'**  
a) Will we ever forget those happy days?  
b) Will we forever remember those happy days?

**SECTION – B (Grammar 25 marks)**

**I. Answer All the questions Respond to the following as directed.** 10 x 1= 10

- (15) Which of the options given below will suit the following sentence? **If I met him** .....  
a) I would have spoken to him  
b) I would speak to him  
c) I will speak to him
- (16) Identify the pattern of the following sentence:  
**They named the child Prem.**  
a) SVAC b) SVOC c) SVCA
- (17) Choose the correct question tag for the following statement: **Let us start working, .....**?  
a) will we b) must we c) shall we
- (18) Complete the sentence:  
**Very few boys in the class are** \_\_\_\_\_ **Shyam.**  
a) intelligenter than b) as intelligent as  
c) more intelligent than
- (19) Choose the sentence which correctly conveys the meaning of the sentence given below:  
**We shall remain ever grateful to you. :**  
a) We shall never be grateful to you.  
b) We shall always remain ungrateful to you.  
c) We shall always be grateful to you.
- (20) Complete the sentence:  
**..... in the hills all these years, she is now unable to bear the heat of the plains.**  
a) Having lived b) Being living c) To have lived
- (21) Choose the correct verb form to complete the sentence:  
**He prevented me from..... the contract.**  
a) signed b) being signed c) signing
- (22) Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence:  
**..... it rained the teams continued to play the match.**  
a) In the event of b) On account of c) Even though
- (23) Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence:  
**This is .... book that I had been looking for in all the bookshops.** a) a b) an c) the
- (24) Choose appropriate preposition to complete the sentence:  
**He built his hut .....the side of the lake.**  
a) on b) by c) at

**II. Answer all the questions - Rewrite as directed.** (5x2=10)

- (25) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence:  
**I missed the bus.**  
**I was late to school.**
- (26) Rewrite this sentence using the passive voice:  
**You have answered the question correctly so I will give you a gift.**
- (27) Rewrite this sentence in reported speech:  
**Jeevan said to his teacher, "I cannot understand this lesson. Will you teach it to me once again?"**
- (28) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence using the 'if' clause:  
**Muthu did not perform well.**  
**He was not selected.**
- (29) Read the following sentences. Then write an observation in a single sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison.  
**Mani's shirt costs Rs.75.**  
**Gokul's shirt costs Rs.65.**  
**Venu's shirt costs Rs.90.**  
**Vivek's shirt costs Rs. 150.**

**III (30) Punctuate the following sentence:**

**Kumar said when will the shop open**

**SECTION – C (Prose – 15 marks)**

**I. Answer briefly any five of the following questions. Your answer should not exceed 30 words ( 5 x 2 = 10 )**

- (31) Describe the dangers that birds face during their migration.
- (32) State the definition of a domestic worker as cited by the International Labour Organisation.
- (33) Why did Hughie wish to apologise to the Baron?
- (34) What makes students give way to emotions easily?
- (35) How does Dr. Karl Paulnack define art?
- (36) What does the water expert Peter Gleick foresee as the consequences of diminished water supplies?
- (37) What is the speciality of the vimanam of the Brihadeeswara Temple at Tanjore?

**II. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following question Your paragraph should NOT exceed 120 words. (1x5=5)**

- (38) (a) Describe any two duties of a student as pointed out by Gokhale.  
(OR)  
(b) Briefly describe the scene on the streets of Delhi from the arrival of the water tanker till its departure.  
(OR)  
(c) What makes the Brihadeeswara temple unique and outstanding?

**SECTION – D (POETRY – 20 MARKS)**

**I. Quote from memory one of the following extracts: (1x5=5)**

39. (a) The first five lines of the poem ‘Manliness’  
(OR)  
(b) Five lines of the poem ‘The Cry of the Children’ from “For oh”,..... to ..... in the stooing.”

**II. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions below each set: ( 5 x 1 = 5 )**

- (40) ‘*Good men perform just deeds, and brave men die, And win not honour such as gold can give.*’  
**Do good men win honour? If so, what kind of honour could it be?**
- (41) ..... *my manhood is cast down in the flood of remembrance, I weep like a child for the past.*  
**(i) Is the speaker a child or an adult?**  
**(ii) What does he weep for?**
- (42) ‘*No maps, no boundaries to block My sojourn into unknown lands.*’  
**Whose sojourn is referred to here?**
- (43) ‘*He steps back, surveys with close scrutiny.....*’  
**What is surveyed with close scrutiny?**

**III. Read the following lines from the poems you have studied and answer the questions given below: ( 5 x 1 = 5 )**

- (44) ‘*We ran as if to meet the moon That slowly dawned behind the trees, The barren boughs without the leaves, Without the birds, without the breeze.*’  
**Pick out the rhyming words in these lines.**
- (45) *Softly, in the dusk, a woman is singing to me; Taking me back down the vista of years, till I see A child....., in the boom of the tingling strings And ..... a mother who smiles as she sings.*  
**Bring out the rhyme scheme employed in these lines.**
- (46) ‘*We ran as if to meet the moon*’  
**How is this sentence an example of a simile?**
- (47) ‘*Sinews taut yet steady*’  
**Identify the words which make this sentence an example of the figure of speech called alliteration**
- (48) ‘*O, ye wheels*’  
*Stop! Be silent for to-day!*  
**Name the figure of speech used in the above line.**

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

- (49) (a) Describe the millionaire as portrayed by Archibald Lampman.  
(OR)  
(b) Narrate the adventure of the children who went in search of water.  
(OR)  
(c) How does the poet contrast the life of the migrant bird to that of human beings?

**SECTION–E (Language Functions–20 marks)**

**(50) Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (5 x 2 = 10)**

Books are the greatest treasure of mankind, and the habit of reading them is the greatest source of pleasure. He who is in the habit of reading books should buy books for himself. Borrowed books do not give so much pleasure as the bought ones because in the case of borrowed books, the reader has to be very careful in handling them. The books which belong to the reader himself give a special pleasure because the reader has no worry in handling them and he has not to worry about their return. He who is interested in reading books should start collecting them in his youth. The books collected and arranged properly in a room not only decorate the room but also make the presence of their authors felt. The knowledge of the presence of the great personalities in the room is very inspiring and refreshing because they are always prepared to talk heart to heart with the reader. Books contain in them eternal truths and are better friends than those of flesh and blood as they not only entertain but also guide us.

**Questions :**

- (a) What is the precaution to be taken while handling borrowed books?
- (b) Why is one’s own book a source of special pleasure?
- (c) Are books only adornments? Why do you say so?
- (d) How can you hold a conversation with great personalities?
- (e) In what way are books better than friends of flesh and blood?
- (51) **Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences: ( 5 x 1 = 5 )**
- (a) Chennai is one of the hottest city in Tamil Nadu.
- (b) A lot of questions has been omitted.
- (c) I am absent yesterday.
- (d) As the child fell down so it started crying.
- (e) Neither Ram nor his friends knows the answer.
- (52) **Look at the picture and answer the following questions in one or two sentences of your own: ( 5 x 1 = 5 )**



- (a) What do you see in the picture?
- (b) Does the scene portray an authorized parking lot?
- (c) Is it advisable to use the roadside for parking vehicles? Give a reason for your answer.
- (d) Would you resort to such a measure when you park a vehicle?
- (e) What would be your advice to your friends in this regard?

**SECTION – A (Vocabulary (20 marks))**

**I.(1) Choose appropriate synonym for underlined words: 5**

We were denied (i) permission to enter the driveway. Our house had caught fire while we were away and had erupted (ii) into flames. The firemen who were fighting the flames were staunch (iii) in their task of quenching (iv) the fire. We stood forlorn (v) watching them and wondering where we would sleep that night.

- (i) a) debarred b) discharged c) refused d) renewed  
 (ii) a) burst b) spread c) kindled d) grew  
 (iii) a) alert b) fast c) rapid d) steadfast  
 (iv) a) filling b) satisfying c) extinguishing d) wetting  
 (v) a) forsaken b) longing c)angry d) afar

**(2) Choose appropriate antonym of the underlined word: 5**

Grandfather advised Sundar not to panic(i) at times of disaster. He should act with courage, avoid being invidious (ii), work with diligence (iii) and treat elders with reverence(iv). Seldom(v) do we get an opportunity to listen to earnest and valuable advice!

- (i) a) to confront b) to fear c) to be calm d) to command  
 (ii) a) greedy b) hardworking c) tactful d) just  
 (iii) a) laziness b) alertness c) gloom d) rage  
 (iv) a) dejection b) disloyalty c) disrespect d) dignity  
 (v) a) rarely b) annually c) often d) occasionally

**II. Answer any ten of the following: 10 x 1= 10**

- (3) The common expansion of **ILO** is  
 a) International Law and Order  
 b) International Labour Organisation  
 c) Indian Legal Orientation  
 d) Inter-state Lawful Ordinance
- (4) Choose the sentence that is correct in its meaning:  
 a) The tyre of my bicycle has been punctured.  
 b) The tier of my bicycle has been punctured.
- (5) Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English word  
 Many people seem to prefer throwing the waste around the dustbin rather than into it.
- (6) Which of the words given below can be placed before 'light' to form a compound word?  
 a) face b) hand c) head d) back
- (7) What is the plural form of the word 'species'?  
 a) specie b) specy c) species
- (8) Attach a suffix to the word 'polite' from the list given below to complete the sentence.  
 The shopkeeper dismissed his assistant because he was \_\_\_ polite to his customers.  
 a) un b) dis c) im d) mis
- (9) Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning.  
 I will not yield to pressure, I shall face the challenge bravely.  
 a) give away b) give in c) give out d) give off
- (10) Separate the syllables of any one of the following words:  
**a) completely b) refuse c) reminder**
- (11) Identify the correct spelling of the word.  
 a) recieve b) receive c) ricieve
- (12) Construct a sentence using one of the words given below:  
 a) decision b) decide c) decisive
- (13) Reframe the sentence using the underlined word as an adjective:  
 He argues sensibly.
- (14) Choose the correct meaning of the underlined word :  
 There was much chaos at the meeting.  
 a) crowd b) fun c) confusion

**SECTION – B (Grammar 25 marks)**

**I. Respond to the following as directed. (10 X 1 = 10)**

- (15) Which of the options given below will suit the following sentence?  
**If I had studied diligently ..... the examination.**  
 a) I would pass b) I will pass c) I would have passed
- (16) Identify the pattern of the following sentence:  
**We completed the work on time.**  
 a) SVOC b) SVAC c) SVOA
- (17) Choose the correct question tag for the following statement:  
**We need not come tomorrow, .....**?  
 a) should we b) need we c) needn't we
- (18) Complete the sentence:  
**The Nile is \_\_\_\_\_ rivers in the world.**  
 a) the longest b) one of the longest c) longer than any other
- (19) Rewrite the given sentence as a negative sentence without altering its meaning.  
**I play tennis only during the weekends.**
- (20) Complete the sentence:  
 .....**but he missed the train.**  
 a) Though he walked fast b) He walked fast  
 c) In spite of walking fast
- (21) Choose the correct auxiliary verb that would complete the sentence:  
**Why ..... he called by the Principal?**  
 a) did b) was c) had
- (22) Rewrite the following sentence as a statement.  
 How I wish I had won the prize!
- (23) Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence:  
**He holds ..... M.A. Degree in History.**  
 a) a b) an c) the
- (24) Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence:  
**I agree \_\_\_ your proposal.**  
 a) to b) with c) for

**II. Answer ALL the questions. Rewrite as directed (5x2=10)**

- (25) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence:  
**I have some bills.**  
**I must pay them.**
- (26) Rewrite this sentence using the active voice:  
**My watch has been stolen and it hasn't been recovered yet.**
- (27) Rewrite this sentence in direct speech:  
**I exclaimed with regret that I had forgotten to bring my pen.**
- (28) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence using the 'If' clause:  
**I forgot the answer. I lost marks.**
- (29) Read the following sentences. Then write an observation in a single sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison.  
**Seema's ribbon is 15 cm long.**  
**Neela's ribbon is 18 cm long.**  
**Kamala's ribbon is 12 cm long.**  
**Vimala's ribbon is 20 cm long.**
- (30) **Punctuate the following sentence: 5 x 1 = 5**  
 what are you doing there cried a rough voice

**SECTION – C(Prose – 15 marks)**

**I. Answer briefly any five of the following questions:**

**Your answer should not exceed 30 words**  $5 \times 2 = 10$

- (31) Identify the reasons why birds migrate.
- (32) Bring out at least two shortcomings in ‘child labour laws.’
- (33) How did the Americans express their grief over the collapse of the Twin Towers?
- (34) Why is the model’s face his fortune?
- (35) What kind of a character should you acquire while you are a student?
- (36) What did the narrator see at the Royal Museum at Tanjore?
- (37) Suggest some reasons as to why birds travel in flocks.

**II. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions: Your paragraph should NOT exceed 120 words**  $(1 \times 5 = 5)$

- (38) (a) How did the millionaire model turn out to be a model millionaire?  
(OR)
- (b) What lesson does Messiaen teach mankind through his attitude towards music?  
(OR)
- (c) Describe briefly how and when birds migrate.

**SECTION – D(Poetry – 20 marks)**

**I. Quote from memory one of the following : (1x5 = 5)**

- (39) (a) Five lines from the poem “Going for Water” from ‘That slowly dawned....’ to ‘..... from the moon’  
(OR)

(b) The last five lines of the poem “Migrant Bird.”

**II. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions below each set: ( 5 x 1 = 5 )**

(40) *Softly, in the dusk, a woman is singing to me;*

**To whom do the words ‘woman’ and ‘me’ refer ?**

(41) *‘And so hold on when there is nothing in you  
Except the will which says to them, “Hold on”.*

**What instills courage in one to ‘hold on’?**

(42) *‘If we cared for any meadows, it were merely  
To drop down in them and sleep.’*

**How are the meadows used by the children?**

(43) *‘Rugged lines melt,  
Sharp edges merge*

*Into smooth well moulded curves.’*

**How are the well moulded curves formed?**

**III. Read the following lines from the poems you have studied and answer the questions given below: (5x1=5)**

(44) *‘Not loth to have excuse to go,  
Because the autumn eve was fair  
... because the fields were ours,  
And by the brook our woods were there.’*

**Bring out the rhyme scheme employed in these lines.**

(45) *‘By want and rags and homelessness made vile,  
The griefs and hates, and all the meaner parts  
That balances thy one grim misgotten pile.*

**Pick out the rhyming words in these lines.**

(46) *‘And, what is more, you’ll be a man , my son’*

**Identify the words which make this sentence an example for the figure of speech called Alliteration.**

(47) *‘But once within the wood, we paused  
Like gnomes that hid us from the moon’,*

**Identify the figure of speech employed in these lines.**

(48) *‘The world in gloom and splendour passes by*  
**Identify the figure of speech employed in this line.**

**IV. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions: (Your paragraph should not exceed 120 words) (1 x 5 = 5)**

- (49) (a) How does the poet of the poem ‘The Piano’ reminisce his childhood days ?  
(OR)
- (b) Describe the tragic state of the children portrayed in Elizabeth Barrett Browning’s poem.  
(OR)
- (c) How does the sculptor in ‘Shilpi’ produce the image of God in stone?

**Section – E (Language Functions – 20 marks)**

**(50) Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: ( 5 x 2 = 10)**

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:**

1. In what way is speech a blessing to mankind?
2. Describe how words could make an enemy out of someone you would like to befriend.
3. Why is an educated man’s speech considered boastful by an uneducated listener?
4. How should speech be used?
5. How does one prove himself a fool through his use of language?

**(51) Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences: (5 x 1 = 5)**

1. He has grey hairs.
2. I prefer mangoes than grapes.
3. Chennai is one of the hottest city in Tamil Nadu.
4. The deer runs fastly.
5. We discussed about the water problem at the meeting.

**52) Look at the picture given below and answer the following questions in one or two sentences of your own: (5 x 1 = 5)**



1. What do you see in the picture?
2. For what purpose, could the man be carrying the fowls?
3. Is it an easy task for the man to travel so?
4. Could the man prove harmful to other commuters on the road? Give reasons for your answer.
5. What do you feel when you see this picture?

**SECTION – A (Vocabulary-20 marks)**

**I. (1) Choose appropriate synonym of underlined word: 5**

Praveen had mastered (i) many skills and his accomplishments (ii) were many. He was always in the pursuit (iii) of his goals which were lofty. He worked in earnestness (iv) towards these goals, realized them and triumphantly (v) announced his success to the world.

- (i) a) tried b) learnt c) taught d) created  
 (ii) a) achievements b) acquaintances  
 c) qualifications d) applications  
 (iii) a) attempt b) chase c) attainment d) description  
 (iv) a) quickness b) alertness c) tenderness d) seriousness  
 (v) a) victoriously b) untiringly c) tolerantly d) consecutively

**(2) Choose appropriate antonym of underlined word: 5**

The internal (i) riots within the country affected its economy. There was hostility (ii) and anger in many quarters. The situation grew worse (iii) day by day. Those indulging in riots were arrested and penalised (iv). People were helpless and sought divine (iv) help to redeem the situation and establish peace in the country.

- (i) a) superficial b) exterior c) external d) exemplary  
 (ii) a) friendship b) warmth c) enmity d) playfulness  
 (iii) a) good b) better c) best d) excellent  
 (iv) a) rewarded b) purified c) pictured d) punished  
 (v) a) heavenly b) magical c) desirable d) mortal

**II. Answer any ten of the following (10x1=10)**

(3) Replace the underlined word with its equivalent British English word.

The window shade was drawn to prevent the cold wind from drifting into the room.

(4) The common expansion of **KPO** is  
 a) Kinetic Potential Output b) Knowledge Process Outsourcing  
 c) Keen Programme Observation d) Knowledge Performance Outcome

(5) Separate the syllables of any one of the following words:  
**a) guitarist b) diploma c) warped**

(6) Attach a suffix to the word 'associate' from the list given below to complete the sentence.

**He had close associate \_\_\_ with many learned persons.**  
 a) \_ly b) \_ness c) \_ion d) \_or

(7) Choose the sentence that is correct in its meaning:  
 a) There was a gaping hole in the middle of the road.  
 b) There was a gaping whole in the middle of the road.

(8) Which of the words given below can be placed before screen to form a compound word?  
 a) road b) car c) wind d) main

(9) What is the plural form of 'piece of furniture'?  
 a) pieces of furniture b) pieces of furnitures  
 c) piece of furnitures

(10) Replace the phrasal verb in the sentence with one of the options given below to convey the same meaning.  
 Sundar knows how to get on with his colleagues.

- a) avoid blows b) share the work  
 c) spend time d) be friendly

(11) Choose the right idiom that will replace the underlined words in the following sentence:

The Government has taken steps to bring down the number of **those who withdraw** from schools **without completing their education**.

- a) golden hearts b) chicken hearted souls  
 c) early birds d) drop-outs

(12) Construct a sentence using one of the words given below:  
 a) free b) freedom c) freely

(13) Reframe sentence using the underlined word as a noun.  
 He was punished for his disobedience.

(14) Fill in the blank in the following sentence choosing the word with the right spelling:

The volunteers \_\_\_ for the freedom of child labourers.  
 a) campained b) campainged  
 c) campaigned d) campined

**Section – B ( Grammar 25 marks )**

**I. Answer All the questions. Respond to the following as directed. (10 x 1 = 10)**

(15) Which of the options given below will suit the following sentence? **If he were patient** \_\_\_\_\_ .

- a) he would have won the argument  
 b) he will win the argument  
 c) he would win the argument

(16) Identify the pattern of the following sentence:

**The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.**

- a) SVA b) SVC c) SVO

(17) Choose correct question tag for the following statement:

**It has been raining heavily, \_\_\_\_\_?**

- a) has it b) hasn't it c) doesn't it

(18) Complete the sentence:

**Ravi is more capable \_\_\_\_\_ boys.**

- a) than any other b) as the other c) than most other

(19) Choose the sentence which correctly conveys the meaning of the sentence given below:

**Seldom do buses stop here.**

- a) Buses do stop here often. b) Buses never stop here.  
 c) Buses do not stop here often.

(20) Complete the sentence:

\_\_\_\_\_ **the book, I returned it to the library.**

- a) Having read b) Having been reading  
 c) Having reading

(21) Choose the correct verb form to complete the sentence:

**He avoided \_\_\_\_\_ much time on the computer.**

- a) to spend b) been spent c) spending

(22) Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence:

**This is not \_\_\_\_\_ easiest way to do it.**

- a) a b) an c) the

(24) Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence:

**He congratulated me \_\_\_\_\_ my success.**

- a) on b) for c) at

**II. Answer all the questions. Rewrite as directed. (5x 2=10)**

(25) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence:

**The boy saw a thief. He cried in fear.**

(26) Rewrite the sentences using the active voice:

**A gift was given to me. It was received with joy.**

(27) Rewrite this sentence in indirect speech:

**Mohan said to his friend, "Have you ever been to the beach? Shall we go there this evening?"**

(28) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence using the 'if' clause:

**Preethi did not start early. She was late to school.**

(29) Read the following sentences. Then write an observation in one sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison.

**Bindu woke up at 5.00 am  
 Suji woke up at 6.00 am  
 Kamesh woke up at 7.30 am  
 Ritu woke up at 6.00 am  
 Manu woke up at 9.00 am**

**III. (30) Punctuate the following sentence:**

veena said I am not well

**Section – C (Prose – 15 marks)**

**I. Answer briefly any five of the following questions. Your answer should not exceed 30 words (5 x 2 = 10)**

- (31) How did Messiaen spend his time in prison?
- (32) What is the precious virtue obtained from reverence to teachers?
- (33) What caused the commotion in Chaya's street?
- (34) Why is the world of domestic workers 'invisible'?
- (35) What had people of early times thought about the movement of birds in relation to seasons?
- (36) Why does the abode of the Lord at the Big Temple echo Mount Kailash?
- (37) What makes you feel Alan was a good painter?

**II. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following question. Your paragraph should not exceed 120 words 5**

- (38) (a) How is character important?  
(OR)  
(b) Describe the sufferings of domestic workers. How do the labour laws affect them?  
(OR)  
(c) Bring out the architectural beauty of the Brihadeeswara temple .

**Section – D(Poetry – 20 marks)**

**I. Quote from memory one of the following extracts: 5**

- (39) The last five lines of the poem 'Manliness':  
from "Except ....." to "..... my son"  
(OR)  
Five lines of the poem 'The Cry of the Children'  
from :“Our knees,.....” to:“..... burden tiring.”

**II. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions below each set: ( 5 x 1 = 5 )**

- (40) 'He steps back,surveys with  
Close scrutiny, then sharp critical glare'  
**i. Who is the surveyor?**  
**ii. What is being glared at critically?**
- (41) 'O,ye wheels  
Stop!be silent for today!'  
**Why should the wheels be silent for a day?**
- (42) 'In spite of myself,the insidious mastery of song  
Betrays me back,till the heart of me weeps to belong'  
**Whose heart weeps to belong?**
- (43) 'A creature of that old distorted dream  
That makes the sound of life an evil cry'  
**Who is the creature referred to in the above lines?**

**III. Read the following lines from the poems you have studied and answer the questions given below: (5x1=5)**

- (44) 'With speed of wings I hasten past  
And close my eyes against the sun  
To dream my dreams and make them last.'  
**Pick out the rhyming words in these lines**
- (45) *Our knees tremble sorely in the stooping  
We fall upon our faces trying to go;  
And, underneath our heavy eyelids drooping,  
The reddest flower would look as pale as the snow*  
**Bring out the rhyme scheme employed in these lines.**
- (46) 'with sixty seconds worth of distance run  
**Identify the words which make this sentence an example of the figure of speech called alliteration.**
- (47) 'Sharp edges merge  
Into smoothe well moulded curves.  
**Identify the figure of speech in these lines.**
- (48) "But once within the wood, we paused  
Like gnomes that hid us from the moon"  
**Name the figures of speech used in the above line.**

**IV. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following**

- questions: Your paragraph should not exceed 120 words- 5**
- (49) a)What is the effect of the sugar on the poet in the 'Piano'  
(OR)  
b) How does the Shilpi succeed in creating God's image in stone?  
(OR)  
c. How does the poet describe manliness?

**Section – E (Language Functions – 20 marks)**

**I. (50) Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: ( 5 x 2 = 10)**

For foreign tourists, the best thing about visiting India was that one didn't have to break one's head deciding where to go. The choice of tourist sites was automatic and short: the Taj Mahal, the monuments of Delhi, the places of Jaipur and Udaipur, the bathing ghats of Varnasi. A few went to Kashmir and Goa. And the adventurous handful picked up their rucksacks to trek through the Himalayas. But that was about all. The rock-cut carvings of the South Indian temples, the forests of Madhya Pradesh and the sand dunes of Rajasthan - for most tourists this did not exist at all. Now the old whistle-stop tour image of India is in for a radical change. Through a series of expensive promotion campaigns, the Tourism Department is trumpeting India's countless glories: its golden beaches, its sanctuaries teeming with wildlife, its quiet hill stations and its Buddhist historical sites. As part of the hard sell, seminars are being organized to woo travel agents in the US and Europe. Food festivals are introducing Europeans to the mouth-watering delights of the Indian cuisine. And the Government has liberalized rules for hotels, air charters and other sectors of the tourism industry.

1. Why were foreign tourists attracted to India?
2. Mention some popular sites that interested foreign tourists.
3. What were the spots that failed to capture the attention of tourists?
4. Name some places that reveal India's glory.
5. In what way is the Indian Government trying to lure more tourists?

**51) Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences: (5x1=5)**

1. He is one of the cleverest student in the class.
2. An university student has been injured in the accident.
3. I have two sister-in-laws.
4. The sceneries was enchanting
5. Neither his parents nor Suresh know the truth.

**52) Look at the picture given below and answer the following questions in one or two sentences of your own: ( 5 x 1 = 5 )**



1. What do you see in the picture?
2. What are the children doing?
3. How is this activity useful for children?
4. Why do schools give project work for students?
5. Give your opinion of your class project in a sentence.

**SECTION - A Vocabulary (20 marks)**

**I. (1) Choose appropriate synonym of underlined words: 5**

The children stared at the Taj Mahal which was an amazing (i) structure and one among the seven wonders of the world. It was an architectural marvel of immense glory (ii). It exhibits the diligence (iii) of those who worked day in and day out to create this rare (iv) piece of magic. All the children jostled (v) for their positions to get photographed

in front of the Taj Mahal

- (i) a) a superior b) wonderful c) bright d) alarming  
 (ii) a) beauty b) strength c) splendour d) popularity  
 (iii) a) sincerity b) carefulness c) intelligence d) struggle  
 (iv) a) common b) uncommon c) important d) different  
 (v) a) fought b) turned out c) competed d) quarreled

**2. Choose appropriate antonym of the underlined word: 5**

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

- (i) a) small b) great c) enough d) immediate  
 (ii) a) call b) release c) attack d) fight  
 (iii) a) cruellest b) biggest c) heaviest d) slowest  
 (iv) a) bold b) slow c) timed d) weak  
 (v) a) important b) inessential c) avoidable d) exposed

**II. Answer any ten of the following: 10 x 1 = 10**

- (3) The common expansion of ATM is  
 a) Automatic teller machine b) Automated teller machine  
 c) Automatic typing machine d) Automated telling man
- (4) Choose the sentence that is correct in its meaning:  
 a) We have to check your name before you leave.  
 b) We have to cheque your name before you leave.
- (5) Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English work:  
 If we like the flat, we will buy it.
- (6) Which of the words given below can be placed before the word **bro** to form a compound word?  
 a) brown b) eye c) hair d) thick
- (7) What is the plural form of the word 'buffalo'?  
 a) buffalos b) buffaloes c) bafflos
- (8) Attach a prefix to the word 'obey' from the list given below to complete the sentence.  
 Children should not \_\_\_ obey their elders.  
 a) un\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_ mis c) dis \_\_\_
- (9) Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning.  
 The meeting was cancelled suddenly  
 a) called for b) called up c) called off
- (10) Separate the syllables of any one of the following words:  
 a) accompanied b) celebration c) electricity
- (11) Choose appropriate word to make a meaningful sentence:  
 I gave my application.....  
 a) in black and white b) in black c) in white
- (12) Construct a sentence using one of the words given below:  
 a) calm b) calmly c) calmness
- (13) Reframe the sentence using the underlined word as a verb:  
 His behaviour was that of a gentleman.
- (14) Which of the two sentences given below conveys the following meaning?  
 We could not visit any other country in Europe.  
 a) Germany is the only country we visited in Europe.  
 b) We are the only people who visited Europe.

**SECTION B – GRAMMAR (25 MARKS)**

**I. Answer all. Respond to the following as directed. 10x1=10**

- 15) Which of the options given below will suit the following sentence?  
**If you called me .....**  
 a) I would have come. b) I would come. c) I will come.
- 16) Identify the pattern of the following sentence:  
**I bought a new car yesterday.**  
 a) S V A O b) S V C A c) S V O A
- 17) Choose the correct question tag for the following statement:  
**He never fails in his duty, .....**?  
 a) doesn't he b) does he c) won't he
- 18) Complete the sentence:  
**No other metal is..... platinum.**  
 a) heavy as b) so heavy as c) more heavier as
- 19) Choose the sentence which correctly conveys the meaning of the sentence given below:  
**I can never forget how you saved me from the difficult situation.**  
 a) I remember very well how you saved me from the difficult situation.  
 b) I can never remember how you saved me from the difficult situation.  
 c) I can never remember how you saved me from the difficult situation.
- 20) Complete the sentence:  
**.....Pongal, we have many holidays.**  
 a) In spite of b) Eventhough c) On account of
- 21) Choose the correct verb form to complete the sentence:  
**I dream about..... a big house.**  
 a) to build b) building c) build
- 22) Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence:  
**Before .....your food, wash your hand.**  
 a) eat b) eaten c) eating
- 23) Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence:  
**The Ganga is .....important holy river for the Hindus.**  
 a) a b) an c) the
- 24) Choose appropriate preposition to complete the sentence:  
**Contrary ..... my instructions, he submitted his book without the assignment and was punished for his negligence.** a) to b) of c) at

**II. Rewrite as directed. 5 x 2 = 10**

- 25) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence.  
**He won the elections. Everyone congratulated him.**
- 26) Rewrite this sentence using the passive voice.  
**Children like cartoon serials very much and they eat snacks while watching television.**
- 27) Rewrite this sentence in direct speech.  
**Balan told his mother that he was preparing for his exam and so he could not go with her to the movie**
- 28) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence using the 'If' clause.  
**CBI takes up the case. A lot of facts will be revealed.**
- 29) Read the following sentences about Raghu's family and write an observation in a single sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison.  
**Raghu bought 11 apples. Mamta bought 9 apples. Deepa bought 7 apples. Gullu bought 5 apples.**

- III. 30) Punctuate the following sentences: 5 x 1 = 5**  
 the teacher said to the boys you should come to school in time.

**SECTION – C ( Prose – 15 Marks )**

**I. Answer briefly any five of the following questions:**

(Your answer should not exceed 30 words) 5 x 2 = 10

- 31) What made the old man look a typical beggar?  
32) What is the significance of art?  
33) Mention the two valuable qualities?  
34) What caused the commotion in the street?  
35) Which are the states in India that have shown concern for the domestic workers?  
36) Can you suggest some reasons as to why birds travel in flocks?  
37) In what way is the tower unbeatable?

**II. Answer in a paragraph any one of following questions.**

Your paragraph should NOT exceed 120 words: 1x5=5

- 38) (a) Describe the courageous way the Americans overcome the 'Fall of the Twin Towers'.  
(OR)  
(b) What are the alarming threats foreseen by environmentalists due to water scarcity?  
(OR)  
(c) Describe briefly how birds migrate.

**SECTION – D (Poetry – 20 marks)**

**I. Quote from memory one of the following extracts: 5**

- 39) (a) Five lines of the poem, 'The cry of the Children' from 'If we cared... eyelids drooping'.  
(or)  
(b) Five lines from the poem 'Going for water' from ' We ran as if .... Without the breeze'.

**II. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions given below eachset: 1 x 5 = 5**

- (40) *Good men perform just deeds, and brave men die.  
And win not honour such as gold can give.*  
**How does the good man's honour differ from that of the millionaire?**  
(41) *We ran as if to meet the moon that slowly dawned behind  
the trees.  
The barren bough without the leaves without the birds,  
without the breeze.*  
**(i) Did the speakers enjoy the trip into the woods?  
(ii) What makes you say so?**  
(42) *"The reddest flower would look as pale as snow"*  
**Why would the flowers look pale?**  
(43) *And close my eyes against the sun:  
To dream my dreams and make them last.*  
**What do you think a bird would dream of?**

**III. Read the following lines from the poems you have studied and answer the questions given below. 1 x 5 = 5**

- (44) *If you fill the forgiving minute  
with sixty seconds worth of distance run.  
Yours is the earth and everything that's in it  
And what is more, you'll be a man, my son.*  
**Pick out the rhyming words in these lines.**  
(45) *For all day, the wheels are droning, turning \_\_\_\_.  
Their wind comes in our faces \_\_\_\_  
Till our hearts turn\_\_ our head, with pulses burning,  
And the walls turn in their places \_\_\_\_.*  
**Bring out the rhyme scheme of these lines.**  
(46) *In spite of myself, the insidious mastery of song .....  
Identify the words in alliteration.*  
(47) *..... my manhood is cast down in the flood of  
remembrance'.*  
**Name the figure of speech used in the above line.**  
(48) *The reddest flower would look as pale as snow.*  
**What is the figure of speech employed in this line?**

**IV. Answer in a paragraph any one of following questions:**

Your paragraph should NOT exceed 120 words. 1x5=5

- (49) (a) What are the views of the poet on the manner in which the millionaire acquires his wealth?  
(OR)  
(b) Describe the various qualities of manliness?  
(OR)  
(c) How does the bird's life differ from the life of human beings?

**Section – E (Language Functions – 20 marks)**

**(50) Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: 5 x 2 =10**

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?

**(51) Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences: 5 x 1 = 5**

- (a) The cat drink milk.  
(b) Despite of his riches, he is unhappy.  
(c) I told him I can come.  
(d) Arun is senior than Varun.  
(e) We met an European yesterday.

**52 Look at the picture given below and answer the following questions in one or two sentences of your own: 5 x 1 = 5**



- (a) What do you see in this picture?  
(b) How many persons do you see on the road?  
(c) What danger do the pedestrians face in this locality?  
(d) Who do you think is responsible for this negligence?  
(e) What would you do if you had to walk down this road?

**SECTION – A. Vocabulary (20 marks)**

**PART - I**

- I. (1) Choose appropriate synonym of underlined words: 5**  
 Vendangthangal was an exceptional (i) place for the students of anthropology. The migration of birds was indeed a fascinating(ii) study. They found that the variations in climate and diminishing (iii) water supply definitely affected the migration of birds there. The sudden rumour (iv) of a poacher hunting the birds set the students raging in anger. On the whole they had an overwhelming(v) experience.
- (i) a) excellent b) good c) extraordinary d) unusual  
 (ii) a) difficult b) beautiful c) interesting d) awful  
 (iii) a) released b) minimizing c) decreasing d) copious  
 (iv) a) story b) news c) mis-information d) statement  
 (v) a) important b) overflowing c) great d) overpowering

- (2) Choose appropriate antonym of the underlined word:5**  
 In ancient(i) India, the social and economic status of women was not very good. They were not fortunate(ii) enough to inherit an equal share of their ancestral property. The society was so narrow(iii) minded that it paid no heed to their needs. It imposed various restrictions upon women. They were given harsh(iv) treatment at home too. Due to this, many of them had to lead a miserable(v) life.
- (i) a) old b) modern c) new d) current  
 (ii) a) lucky b) unfortunate c) unhappy d) foolish  
 (iii) a) broad b) great c) clear d) simple  
 (iv) a) good b) clever c) gentle d) rough  
 (v) a) pathetic b) joyful c) chased d) obeyed

**II. Answer any ten of the following: 10 x 1 = 10**

- (3) The common expansion of IAS is  
 a) Indian Army Service.  
 b) Indian Administrative Service.  
 c) Indian Audit Service.  
 d) Indian Administration Service.
- (4) Choose the sentence that is correct in its meaning:  
 a) My sister adapted a baby  
 b) My sister adopted a baby.
- (5) Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English work:  
 The tap is broken and it needs to be repaired.
- (6) Which of the words given below can be placed before the word gazing to form a compound word?  
 a) goat b) star c) boy d) land
- (7) What is the plural form of the word 'goose' ?  
 a) geese b) geeses c) geeses
- (8) Attach a prefix to the word 'placed' from the list given below to complete the sentence.  
 Geetha placed the book that she borrowed from me.  
 a) dis b) un c) mis
- (9) Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning.  
 He will surely pass the examination with flying colours.  
 a) get out b) get in c) get through
- (10) Separate the syllables of any one of the following words:  
 a) ordinary b) zoology c) embodiment
- (11) Choose appropriate word to make a meaningful sentence:  
 Don't \_\_\_\_\_ the flowers.  
 a) break b) pluck c) pick
- (12) Construct a sentence using one of the words given below:  
 a) intelligence b) intelligent c) intelligently
- (13) Reframe the sentence using the underlined word as a verb:  
 This is the time to give your best performance.

- (14) Which of the two sentences given below conveys the following meaning?  
**The students did not pass in any other language test.**  
 a) These are the students who passed only in Hindi language test.  
 b) These are the only students who passed in Hindi language test.

**SECTION B – GRAMMAR (25 MARKS)**

**I. Answer All. Respond to the following as directed. 10**

- (15) Which of the options given below will suit the following sentence? **If you study well, \_\_\_\_\_.**  
 a) You would surely get good marks.  
 b) You will surely get good marks.  
 c) You would have got good marks.
- (16) Identify the pattern of the following sentence:  
**He sang me a song melodiously.**  
 a) S V IO DO A b) S V DO IO A c) S V O C A
- (17) Choose correct question tag for the following statement:  
**Let's go for a movie, \_\_\_\_\_?**  
 a) shall we b) can we c) will we
- (18) Complete the sentence:  
**Ramani is \_\_\_\_\_ girls in this group.**  
 a) one of the tallest b) the tallest c) as tall as any other
- (19) Choose the sentence which correctly conveys the meaning of the sentence given below:  
**We did not meet any other friend at the party.**  
 a) We met no friends at the party.  
 b) We met only one friend at the party.  
 c) We did not meet all our friends at the party.
- (20) Complete the sentence:  
 .....his riches, he is not happy.  
 a) Because of b) In spite of c) Owing to
- (21) Choose the correct verb form to complete the sentence:  
**I enjoy ..... stories for children.**  
 a) writing b) will write c) will be writing
- (22) Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence:  
**The flights were delayed ..... thick fog.**  
 a) because b) due to c) despite
- (23) Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence:  
 The mobile phone is ..... utility item.  
 a) the b) a c) an
- (24) Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence:  
**I am worried \_\_\_\_\_ his health.**  
 a) with b) about c) for

**II. Rewrite as directed. 5 x 2 = 10**

- (25) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence.  
**He was sick. He attended the class.**
- (26) Rewrite this sentence using the passive voice.  
**Santa Claus gave sweets to all the children and they thanked him profusely.**
- (27) Rewrite this sentence in direct speech.  
**Mala told Shanthi that she had completed her assignment and she needed to take rest for some time.**
- (28) From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence using the 'If' clause.  
**The weather improves. We will drive down to Rameshwaran**
- (29) Read the following sentences about Raghu's family and write an observation in a single sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison.  
**Deepak scored 99 runs. Mithu scored 100 runs. Sekhar scores 75 runs. Sumeeth scores 50 runs.**

III. (30) Punctuate the following sentence:  $5 \times 1 = 5$   
the policemen said to the stranger i can show you the way to  
the railway station

**SECTION – C (Prose – 15 Marks)**

I. Answer briefly any five of the following questions: (Your answer should not exceed 30 words)  $5 \times 2 = 10$

- (31) Why did Hughie fear an adverse reaction from the Baron?  
(32) How did people express their grief?  
(33) What kind of character should you acquire while you are a student?  
(34) What can lead the world to violence?  
(35) What are the causes for the increase in domestic workers?  
(36) Describe the manner in which the birds make their long journey?  
(37) How is the Chola king's reverence to Lord Shiva revealed in the temple?

II. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions. Your paragraph should not exceed 120 words: 5

- (38) (a) Attempts a character sketch of a) Hugie b) the Baron.  
(OR)  
(b) How, according to Gokhale, is character important in life? (OR)  
(c) How can water shortage be prevented in our country?

**SECTION – D (Poetry – 20 marks)**

I. Quote from memory one of the following extracts: 5

- (39) (a) The first five lines of the poem, 'Migrant Bird'.  
from "The Globe....." to "..... vigil  
(or)  
(b) Five lines from the poem 'Going for water'  
from 'Each laid on other ... heard them brook'.

**PART – II**

II. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions given below each set:  $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (40) *If you can meet with triumph and disaster;  
And treat those two impostors just the same;*  
What are the two impostors mentioned in the above lines?  
(41) *We fall upon our faces, trying to go;  
and underneath our heavy eyelids drooping;*  
(i) What makes the children fall?  
(ii) Why are their eye lids drooping?  
(42) *I care not where the skies begin;  
I spread my wings through all the din;*  
Who is the speaker in this poem?  
(43) *The days of toil  
Hammer and chisel laid aside.*  
What are the tools used?

III. Read the following lines from the poems you have studied and answer the questions given below.  $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (44) *so now it is rain for the singer to burst into clamour.  
With the great black piano appassionato the glamour.*  
Pick out the rhyming words in these lines.  
(45) *Good men perform just deeds and brave men die  
And win not honour such as gold can give  
While the vain multitude plod on, and live  
And serve the curse that pins down. But?*  
Bring out the rhyme scheme used in these lines.  
(46) *Turns the long light that droppeth down the wall.*  
Identify the words in alliteration.  
(47) *'O ye wheels (breaking out in a mad moaning) stop!  
Be silent for today'*  
Name the figure of speech used in the above line.  
(48) *But once with in the wood, we paused like knomes*  
Mention the figure of speech used in this line.

IV. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions. Your paragraph should NOT exceed 120 words 5

- (49) (a) What are the poet's reminiscences about his childhood days?  
(OR)  
(b) Describe the experiences of the children on their way to the brook to seek water.  
(OR)  
(c) Attempt a description of the physical appearance of the shilpi as portrayed in the poem.

**Section – E (Language Functions – 20 marks)**

(50) Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:  $5 \times 2 = 10$

If there is one single factor responsible for the alarming raise in heart attacks among young seemingly healthy Indians, it is smoking. For patients younger than forty, smoking was the number one cause for heart disease. While the number of people who smoke has dropped by almost 40 percent in the West over the last decade, it has astonishingly doubled in India over the same period. Smoking a pack of cigarettes a day, makes you seven times more vulnerable to heart disease than a non-smoker. The good news is that quitting the smoking can cut down the risk factor by a huge margin. A person who gives up smoking can, within a year, reduce the risk factor to that of a nonsmoker.

Questions:

- (a) Why is smoking harmful to young and healthy people?  
(b) What is the change that has taken place in the West during the last decade?  
(c) What is the change that has taken place in India during the last decade?  
(d) How can a person reduce the chances of having a heart attack?  
(e) Give a suitable heading to the above passage.

(51) Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences:  $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (a) Renu prefers coffee than tea.  
(b) I am working here since 2000.  
(c) One of the boy is tall.  
(d) Ramesh went to abroad.  
(e) Mala is a M. A. in English.

(52) Look at the picture given below and answer the following questions in one or two sentences of your own:  $5 \times 1 = 5$



- (a) What do you see in this picture?  
(b) Why is the place crowded?  
(c) Are these people regular bathers or are they visitors to the spot?  
(d) What could be the risk of bathing in this manner?  
(e) What precaution would you take while bathing in a place like this?

### PTA-Eng1-Q1-Key

1. i – c, ii – d, iii – a, iv – b, v – d.
2. i – c, ii – b, iii – d, iv – d, v – a.
- 3 – c, 4 – a, 5 – closet, 6 – c, 7 – b, 8 – b, 9 – b,
- 10 - a) rev-er-ence, b) do-cu-men-ta-tion  
c) fas-ci-na-ting, 11 – d,
- 12 - a) Nothing is free in this world.\* b) India got  
freedom in 1947.\* c) He talks freely with others.\*
- 13 – His disobedience led to penalization.
- 14 - Will we ever forget those happy days?
  
- 15 – b, 16 – b, 17 – c, 18 – b, 19 – c, 20 – a, 21 – c,  
22 – c, 23 – c, 24 – b,
25. I missed the bus and so I was late to school\*
26. The question has been answered by you correctly so  
a gift will be given you by me.
27. Jeevan told his teacher that he could not understand  
that lesson and he also asked if she would teach it to  
him once again.
28. If Muthu had performed well, he would have been  
selected.
29. Vivek's shirt is costlier than Venu's shirt.\*
30. Kumar said, "When will the shop open?"
  
- 31 to 39 – (Refer your own preparations.)
40. Good men win honour by doing honest actions, but it is  
unnoticed by the society during his lifetime.
41. i) The speaker is an adult.  
ii) He weeps for his childhood days.
42. The migrant bird's sojourn is referred here.
43. The sculpture (statue) is surveyed with close scrutiny  
by the shilpi.
44. trees – breeze. 45. aabb.
46. The children ran like a cloud to meet the moon. The  
comparison with word 'as' is simile.
47. Sinews – steady 48. Personification
49. (Refer your own preparations.)
50. a) The reader should be very careful in handling the  
barrowed books. They should return them without any  
damage.  
b) The reader has no worry in handling his own book.  
c) No, The books are not only adornments. The reader felt  
the presence of the authors. They will talk heart to heart  
with the reader.  
d) We can hold conversation with great personalities heart  
to heart by reading their books.  
e) Books contain in them eternal truths. They not only  
entertain but also guide us. So they are better than  
friends of flesh and blood.
51. a) Chennai is one of the hottest cities in Tamil Nadu.  
b) A lot of questions have been omitted.  
c) I was absent yesterday.  
d) As the child fell down, it started crying.  
e) Neither Ram nor his friends know the answer.
52. a) The vehicles are kept in the 'No Parking area'.  
b) No, it is not a parking area.  
c) No, it is not advisable to use the roadside for parking. It  
is not safe for our vehicles.  
d) Yes, I will keep in mind the traffic rules. I will keep the  
vehicles in the parking areas.  
e) I will advice my friends to keep their vehicles in parking  
areas only.

### PTA-Eng1-Q2-Key

1. i – c, ii – a, iii – d, iv – c, v – a.
2. i – c, ii – d, iii – a, iv – c, v – c.
3. International Labour Organisation
- 4 – a, 5 – Garbage can/ trash can, 6 – headlight,  
7 – Species, 8 – Impolite, 9 – b,
10. a) com-plete-ly b) re-fuse c) re-min-der, 11 – b,
12. a) He always makes right decision.\* b) He decides to  
buy a car.\* c) He is very decisive.\*
13. His argument is very sensible. 14 – c,  
15 – c, 16 – c, 17 – b, 18 – b,  
19 – I never play tennis during weekdays  
20 – b, 21 – b, 22. I wished to win the prize. 23 – b,  
24 – b, 25. I have some bills and I must pay them\*  
26. Somebody has stolen my watch and I haven't  
recovered yet  
27. I said, " Oh! Sorry, I have forgotten to bring my pen."  
28. If I had not forgotten the answer, I would not have  
lost marks  
29. Vimala's ribbon is longer than Neela's ribbon.\*  
30. "What are you doing there?" cried a rough voice.  
31 to 39 - (Refer your own preparation)
40. 'Woman' refers to the singing woman. 'Me' refers to  
the poet.
41. The will power instills courage in one to 'hold on'.
42. The meadows used by the children to sleep.
43. The well moulded curves formed by the chiseling of  
the shilpi.
44. abcb 45. Vile-pile 46. More-man-my 47. Simile 48.  
Personification 49. (Refer your preparations)
50. 1) Speech helps us to make our intentions and desires  
known to others.  
2) A slip of the tongue, the use of an unusual word or  
of an ambiguous word could make an enemy out of  
someone you would like to befriend.  
3) Different classes of people use different words. An  
uneducated listener will not understand the way of  
talking of an educated man. So he may consider it  
as boastful.  
4) Speech is a gift. We should not use it without  
thoughts.  
5) When one expresses himself alike to all kinds and  
conditions of people and situations, he may prove  
himself a fool.
51. i) He has grey hair.  
ii) I prefer mangoes to grapes.  
iii) Chennai is one of the hottest cities in Tamil Nadu.  
iv) The deer run fast.  
v) We discussed the water problem at the meeting.
52. 1) A man is carrying lots of fowls in a two-wheeler.  
2) He is carrying them for sales.  
3) No, It is not an easy task for him to travel.  
4) Yes. Others may feel inconvenient to travel. / It  
may occupy wide area. / It is not safe for him and  
other commuters.  
5) I feel very pity on seeing this. Such people are  
doing this for mere saving money. They are not  
only care for their life but also other's lives.

### PTA-Eng1-Q3-Key

- 1) i – b, ii – a, iii – b, iv – d, v – a.
- 2) I – c, ii – a, iii – b, iv – a, v – d.
- 3) blind, 4 – b, 5. Gui-ta-rist(3), dip-lo-ma(3), warped(1).
6. association 7 – a, 8. Wind screen, 9 – a, 10 – d, 11 – d, 12. a) He is a free man.\* b) We got freedom in 1947.\*
- c) He talks freely with others.\* 13. He was given **punishment** for his disobedience. (or) His disobedience led to **punishment**.\* 14 – c.
- 15 – c, 16 – a, 17 – b, 18 – c, 19 – c, 20 – a, 21 – c, 22 – c, 24 – a.
25. The boy saw a thief and he cried in fear.\*
26. They(He) gave a gift to me. I received it with joy.
27. Mohan asked his friend if he had ever been to the beach and he asked if they would go there that evening.
28. If Preethi had started early she would not have been late to school.\*
29. Bindu woke up earlier than Suji and Ritu.\*
30. Veena said, “I am not well.”
- 31 to 39 – (Refer your own preparations.)
40. i) The shilpi is the surveyor.  
ii) The statue is being glared at critically.
41. The wheels should be silent for the children to take rest.
42. The poet’s heart weeps for the past.
43. The millionaire is the creature.
44. past-last, 45 – abab, 46 – sixty-seconds,
47. Metaphor, 48 – simile.
49. (Refer your own preparations.)
50. 1) India has many monuments like Taj Mahal... etc. The tourist sites of India also guide foreigners.  
2) Taj Mahal, monuments of Delhi, the places of Jaipur and Udaipur, the bathing ghats of Varnasi, Kashmir, Goa, trekking in Himalaya and south Indian temples are the popular Indian sites.  
3) The rock-cut carvings of the south Indian temples, forests of Madhya Pradesh and the sand dunes of Rajestan were the spots that failed to capture the attention of tourists.  
4) Golden beaches, sanctuaries teeming with wildlife, quiet hill stations and Buddhist historical sites are revealing glory.  
5) Indian Government has liberalized the rules for hotels, air charters and other sectors of tourism industry to lure more tourists.
51. 1) He is one of the cleverest students in the class.  
2) A university student has been injured in the accident.  
3) I have two sisters-in-law.  
4) The scenery was enchanting.  
5) Neither his parents nor Suresh knows the truth.
52. 1) It is a science exhibition.  
2) A boy explains his model. Others listen to his words.  
3) They learn a lot of things by doing a project.  
4) Learning by doing is a very powerful way of learning, so schools give project work for students.  
5) Hard work never fails.\*

### PTA-Eng1-Q4-Key

- 1) i – b, ii – a, iii – b, iv – b, v – c.
- 2) i – a, ii – b, iii – d, iv – d (if the option C is denoted as ‘timid’, the answer C is correct), v – b
- 3 – b (Refer Oxford Advanced Learner’s Dictionary), 4 – a, 5 – apartment, 6 – eyebrow, 7 – b, 8 – disobey, 9 – c, 10. a) ac-com-pa-nied (4), b) ce-le-bra-tion (4), c) e-lec-tri-ci-ty (5) 11 – a, 12 a) Be calm for some time.\* b) Observe it calmly.\*  
c) I feel calmness in the hall.\*
13. He behaved like a gentleman. 14 – a.
- 15 – b, 16 – c, 17 – b, 18 – b, 19 – a, 20 – c, 21 – b, 22 – c, 23 – b, 24 – a.
25. He won the elections and everyone congratulated him.\*
26. Cartoon serials are liked very much by the children and snacks are eaten by them while watching television.
27. Balan said to his mother, “I am preparing for my exam and so I cannot come with you to the movie.”
28. If CBI takes up the case, a lot of facts will be revealed.
29. Raghu bought more apples than Mamta.\*
30. The teacher said to the boys, “You should come to school in time.”
- 31 to 39 – (Refer your own preparations.)
40. Good men perform honest actions but the millionaire gets honour by using gold (money).
41. i) Yes, the speakers enjoyed the trip into the woods.  
ii) Because they ran like clouds to meet the moon.
42. The eyes of the children are redder than the red flowers. So the flowers look pale.
43. They are everlasting dreams.
44. minute – in it, run – son. 45 – abab,
46. myself-mastery 47. metaphor, 48. simile.
49. (refer your own preparations)
50. a) It is the birthday of Jawaharlal Nehru, the lover of children.  
b) His sisters were much younger. Nehru has no companion of his age. So he spent his early life as a lonely child.  
c) Pt.Nehru’s forefathers came from Kashmir.  
d) He had two sisters and no brothers.  
e) Trinity College, Cambridge.
51. a) The cat drinks milk.  
b) Despite his riches, he is unhappy.  
(or) In spite of his riches, he is unhappy.  
c) I told him that I could come.  
d) Arun is senior to Varun.  
e) We met a European yesterday.
52. a) It is an open drainage or man-hole.  
b) I see only one person.  
c) The pedestrians may fall into the man-hole.  
d) People are responsible for this.  
e) I would close the man-hole with help of other people. / I will inform the corporation.

### PTA-Eng1-Q5-Key

1. i – c, ii – c, iii – c, iv – c, v – d.
2. i – b, ii – b, iii – a, iv – c, v – b.
- 3 – b, 4 – b, 5 – faucet, 6 – star gazing,
- 7 – a, 8 – misplaced, 9 – c,
10. a) or-di-na-ry, b) zo-o-lo-gy, c) em-bo-di-ment.
- 11 – b, 12. a) His intelligence was appreciated.\*  
b) He is an intelligent boy.\* c) She talks intelligently.\*
13. You should perform very well this time.\* 14 – a.
  
- 15 – b, 16 – a, 17 – a, 18 – a, 19 – b, 20 – b,
- 21 – a, 22 – b, 23 – b, 24 – b,
25. He was sick but he attended the class./ Though he was sick, he attended the class.
26. Sweets were given to all the children by Santa claus and he was thanked profusely by them.
27. Mala said to Shanthi, “I have completed my assignment and I need to take rest for some time.”
28. If the weather improves, we will drive down to Rameshwaram.
29. Mithu scored more runs than Deepak.
30. The policemen said to the stranger, “I can show you the way to the Railway Station.”
  
- 31 to 39 – (Refer your own preparations.)
  
40. Triumph and disaster are the two imposters.
41. i) Tiredness makes the children to fall.  
ii) The children worked without rest, so their eye lids are drooping.
42. Migrant bird is the speaker.
43. Hammer and chisel are the tools used here.
44. clamour-glamour, 45 – abbc,
46. long-light, droppeth-down. 47. Personification.
48. simile.
49. (Refer your own preparations.)
  
50. a) Smoking is the number one cause for heart diseases.  
b) Number of smoking people dropped by 40 percent in the West during last decade.  
c) Number of smoking people doubled in India during last decade.  
d) By quitting the smoking, one can reduce the chances of having a heart attack.  
e) Give up smoking / Smoking – The Danger.\*
  
51. a) Renu prefers coffee to tea.  
b) I have been working here since 2000.  
c) One of the boys is tall.  
d) Ramesh went abroad.  
e) Mala is an M.A. in English.
  
52. a) People are bathing in a falls.  
b) It is a picnic place.  
c) No, They are only visitors to the spot.  
d) There may be a slippery or overflowing of water.  
e) I will be very careful. I will hold the pipes for my safety. I will go along with elders.

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**\* There may be more than one answer for some questions.**

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