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1. **Candidate must enter his / her Question Booklet Serial No. (10 Digits) in the OMR Answer Sheet.**
2. **Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.**
3. **Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.**
4. **An extra time of 15 minutes has been allotted for the candidates to read the questions carefully.**
5. **This question booklet is divided into two sections — Section-A and Section-B.**

3. "The deeper the measure of unfulfilment, the closer to you will be your fulfilment" is from
- (A) Two Horizons (B) Sun and Moon
- (C) The Bet (D) Allergy
4. "Agreed, you stake two millions, I my freedom," — is from
- (A) The Bet (B) Two Horizons
- (C) January Night (D) Allergy
5. "Five minutes passed and the prisoner never once stirred" is from
- (A) The Bet (B) Allergy
- (C) Quality (D) Sun and Moon
6. Who wrote, 'To the Bay' and 'The Fly' ?
- (A) Binapani Mohanty (B) Giridhar Jha
- (C) John Galsworthy (D) Katherine Mansfield

7. The Burmese people craved for
- (A) autocracy (B) democracy
- (C) happiness (D) slavery
8. Malasha was very and so she wanted to return home quickly.
- (A) frightened (B) happy
- (C) sad (D) jealous
9. Poetry, music, action all together combine and make a
- (A) painting (B) book
- (C) novel (D) cinema
10. Jim was very angry with for burning leaves.
- (A) ☒ Mr. William (B) Ms. Greene
- (C) Mr. Johnson (D) Mrs. Smith

11. 'Water ran in streams down the street', according to Leo Tolstoy.
- (A) snow-covered (B) village
(C) flooded (D) leaked
12. Who was the recipient of international award for films ?
- (A) Ram Kumar Verma (B) Mahadevi Verma
(C) Humayun Kabir (D) Satyajit Ray
13. When burnt 'exudes a pungent smell'.
- (A) ghee (B) ☒ polythene
(C) life (D) oil
14. Radha has lost quite a lot of due to her isolation from Krishna.
- (A) weight (B) wealth
(C) jewellery (D) clothes

15. The sight of blossoms fires the koel.
- (A) ☒ peaches (B) apricots
- (C) mangoes (D) apples
16. The porter's is searching for nettles and vines.
- (A) son (B) sister
- (C) wife (D) father
17. The happy man is to breathe his native air.
- (A) able (B) content
- (C) sad (D) unable
18. pitchers of gold were given to the rich man by the Wish-Yielding Tree.
- (A) Four (B) Five
- (C) Six (D) Seven

19. The porter's body is

(A) lean

(B) frail

(C) healthy

(D) fat

20. On hearing Martha's , the children were transported to a dreamland.

(A) songs

(B) voice

(C) stories

(D) cry

21. Radha's friends believe that will come again.

☒ (A) Krishna

(B) Madhava

(C) Hari

(D) Sudama

22. "The of love has charred my wings,"

(A) Water

(B) Fire

(C) Spark

☒ (D) Emotion

23. Lord Krishna had not met for some time.
- (A) Rukmani (B) Sita
- (C) ☒ Radha (D) Draupadi
24. The high-pitched strains of the koel wakes in the poet's soul a thousand
- (A) dreams (B) desires
- (C) memories (D) longings
25. The monks have been humiliated.
- (A) Buddhist (B) Japanese
- (C) ☒ Indian (D) African
26. According to Satyajit Ray, Indian films should be more
- (A) artificial (B) superficial
- (C) realistic (D) dramatic

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27. The old woman's 'reputation for is without peer'

- (A) Wisdom (B) Violence
(C) Responsibility (D) Scholarship

28. Without knowing the reason, the mothers started

- (A) quarrelling (B) crying
(C) singing (D) speaking

29. The porter has a very mind.

- (A) dull (B) average
(C) sharp (D) intelligent

30. "There only minds like yours can do no harm." — is from

- (A) Martha (B) God Made the Country
(C) Polythene Bag (D) Ode on Solitude

31. While the adults were busy , the little girls were playing.
- (A) fighting (B) snatching
(C) shouting (D) arguing
32. Only a small section of civilized people have achieved
- (A) history (B) culture
(C) logic (D) courage
33. The old woman was visited by young people to her.
- ✓ (A) insult (B) abduct
(C) praise (D) respect
34. We slow thinkers, according to Hutchinson, are terribly
- (A) slow (B) devastated
(C) long (D) handicapped

35. 'Dharti Ke Lal' has a very 'strong simple put over with style'.

(A) music

(B) story

(C) direction

(D) theme

36. Snowmobiles consume a lot of

(A) time

(B) water

(C) effort

(D) power

37. "Whose supply him with attire."

(A) fields and groves

(B) chariots

(C) machines

(D) flocks

38. A has been carved by Radha's tears.

(A) sea

(B) lake

(C) river

(D) pond

39. Whenever there is warmth in a relationship,
automatically vanishes.
- (A) hurt (B) love
(C) care (D) affection
40. "The demon desire now made him mad" — is from
- (A) The Empty Heart (B) Thinner than a Crescent
(C) Ode on Solitude (D) Polythene Bag
41. The Koel is restless because it is separated from its
- (A) beloved (B) friend
(C) ☒ parents (D) cousins
42. The rich man prayed continuously to the
- (A) Wish-Yielding Tree (B) Mango Tree
(C) Peepal Tree (D) Golden Tree

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43. Hutchinson says that when he goes to the cinema he finds himself in a fog.
- (A) dense (B) hopeless
(C) needless (D) countless
44. Aung San Suu Kyi accepted the Nobel Peace Prize for all the of Burma.
- (A) ✓ women (B) handicapped
(C) tortured (D) people
45. Mahadevi Verma applied on the wounds of Gillu.
- (A) ✓ Penicillin (B) Soframycin
(C) Vaseline (D) Gel
46. 'Once Upon a Time' shows that should be vibrant.
- (A) feelings (B) language
(C) food (D) unity

47. The cinema is our age's 'most potent and art form'.
- (A) Versatile (B) Bengali
(C) Unique (D) Western
48. Except Mahadevi Verma, everybody was sure that the squirrel would not
- (A) survive (B) eat
(C) drink (D) play
49. According to the old woman, the young visitors were responsible for the act of
- (A) patriotism (B) mockery
(C) suspicion (D) stupidity
50. Who wrote 'Polythene Bag' ?
- (A) Durga Prasad Panda (B) Puran Singh
(C) Periasamy Thooran (D) Laxmi Prasad Devkota

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51. Halku said that he will have to put up with the landlord's

- (A) kill (B) threaten
(C) abuse (D) beat

52. Smoking and add to the risk of catching an allergy.

- (A) pneumonia (B) diabetes
(C) cancer (D) pollution

53. Galsworthy often deals with grievances in his works.

- (A) public (B) political
(C) moral (D) social

54. Who is the author of 'Sun and Moon' ?

- (A) Anton P. Chekhov (B) Giridhar Jha
(C) Katherine Mansfield (D) Prem Chand

55. During his last days, Mr. Gessler never gave himself time to
- (A) relax (B) eat
- (C) play (D) sit
56. The daughter very much admired her mother's undiminished
- (A) courage (B) enthusiasm
- (C) ~~love~~ (D) spirit
57. Halku had wrapped himself in a/an
- (A) old sweater (B) torn sweater
- (C) old shawl (D) ~~torn blanket~~
58. The ladies in the party called Sun and Moon the
- (A) ~~hens and ducks~~ (B) ducks and lambs
- (C) lambs and tigers (D) ducks and sparrows

59. Munni advised Halku to give up farming.

(A) organic

(B) tenant

(C) traditional

(D) modern

60. Big firms got their business through

(A) hardship

(B) advertisement

(C) money transactions

(D) big businessmen

Direction (61-66) : Choose the correct option of the following :

61. Direct speech of : The father forbade his daughter to go out.

is

(A) The father scolded his daughter, "Do not go out."

(B) The father asked his daughter, "Don't go out."

(C) The father said to his daughter, "Do not go out."

(D) The father ordered to his daughter, "Don't go out."

62. Direct speech of : Samir exclaimed with delight that it was a very nice drama.

is

(A) Samir said, "What a nice drama it is !"

✓ (B) Samir says, "It was a nice drama !"

(C) Samir will say, "A nice drama it is !"

(D) Samir can say, "What a nice drama !"

63. Direct speech of : Sunaina requested Rohan to put a shawl on her.

is <https://www.bsebstudy.com>

(A) Sunaina says to Rohan, "Will you please put a shawl on me ?"

✓ (B) Sunaina said to Rohan, "Please put a shawl on me."

(C) Sunaina might ask Rohan, "Can you put a shawl on me ?"

(D) Sunaina asked Rohan, "Can you put a shawl on me ?"

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64. Indirect speech of : I said to him, "Are you going out ?"

is

(A) I asked him if he was going out

(B) I will ask him if he is going out

(C) ☒ I said to him that may go out

(D) I enquired from him whether he went out

65. Indirect speech of : Tripti said, "Uma, are you feeling well now ?"

is

(A) ☒ Tripti asked Uma whether she was feeling well then

(B) Tripti said to Uma if she was feeling well

(C) Tripti enquired from Uma if she is feeling well

(D) ☒ Tripti may ask Uma if she is feeling well

66. Indirect speech of : The passenger said to the driver "You are driving fast."

is

(A) The passenger said to the driver that he is driving fast

(B) The passenger told the driver that he was driving fast

(C) The passenger scolded the driver that he is driving fast

(D) The passenger can say to the driver that he is driving fast

Direction (67-72) : Choose the correct option of the following :

67. Active voice of : The novel has been read by me.

is

(A) I read the novel

(B) I will have read the novel

(C) I have read the novel

(D) The novel read by me

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68. Active voice of : The correction is done by the teacher.

is

(A) ☒ The teacher does the correction

(B) Do the correction by the teacher

(C) By the teacher the correction is done

(D) Done is the correction by the teacher

69. Passive voice of : Ramesh helped Ranju.

is

(A) ☒ Ranju helps by Ramesh

(B) Ranju had to be helped by Ramesh

(C) Ramesh is helping Ranju

(D) Ranju was helped by Ramesh

70. Passive voice of : Seema is to do it.

is

- (A) Seema needs to do it
- (B) Has to be done through Seema
- ☒ (C) It is to be done by Seema
- (D) Done by Seema it is

71. Passive voice of : Why has Anuradha scolded you ?

is

- ☒ (A) Why have you been scolded by Anuradha ?
- (B) Scolded by Anuradha are you why ?
- (C) Are you scolded by Anuradha why ?
- (D) Why have Anuradha scolded you ?

72. Passive voice of : Yamini is driving the jeep.
is

- (A) The jeep driven by Yamini
☒ (B) The jeep is being driven by Yamini

(C) Yamini has driven the jeep

(D) You will have to drive the jeep

Direction (73 - 76) : Choose the correct option of the following :

73. Choose the correct antonym of 'Illegal' —

(A) Great

☒ (B) Minor

(C) Lawful

(D) Follower

74. Choose the correct antonym of 'Noisy' —

(A) Quit

(B) Rich

☒ (C) Quiet

(D) Shut

75. Choose the correct synonym of 'Question' —

(A) Letter

☒ (B) Inquiry

(C) Envy

(D) Keep

76. Choose the correct synonym of 'Liberty' —

(A) Hold

(B) Freedom

(C) Just

(D) Real

Direction (77-83) : Choose the most suitable preposition :

77. My parents are happy me.

(A) by

(B) at

☒ (C) with

(D) for

78. The girl jumped the swimming pool.

(A) into

(B) by

(C) for

☒ (D) at

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79. Good health depends proper diet.

(A) of

☒ (B) on

(C) at

(D) by

80. Don't fall bad company.

(A) by

(B) of

☒ (C) into

(D) through

81. The patient recovered his major illness.

☒ (A) after

(B) at

(C) on

(D) from

82. The thief was caught the police.

(A) in

(B) to

(C) by

☒ (D) from

83. Sumita came train.

(A) ☒ by

(B) at

(C) on

(D) for

Direction (84-90) : Choose the correctly spelt word :

84. (A) Rapture

(B) Reptire

(C) ☒ Reapture

(D) Riptire

85. (A) Oblegition

(B) Obelegation

(C) ☒ Obligation

(D) Ublegetion

86. (A) Panetrate

(B) Pinetrite

(C) Penetrate

(D) Paintrate

87. (A) Wrickage

(B) Wreakige

(C) Wreckage

(D) ☒ Wreakage

88. (A) Interruption

(B) Entirruption

(C) Aenterruption

(D) Auntirruption

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89. (A) Cationous (B) Cautious
(C) Ceauteous (D) Ceutious
90. (A) Tremble (B) Traemle
(C) Trimbel (D) ☒ Trumble

Direction (91-93) : Choose the most suitable translation :

91. धार्मिक पुस्तकों का अध्ययन करो ।

- (A) Religion book study (B) ☒ Study religious books
(C) Books study religious (D) ☒ Study religion books

92. मेरे गाँव में एक मंदिर है ।

- (A) Temple is in my village
(B) In my village temple it is
(C) ☒ There is a temple in my village
(D) Village in my temple is there

93. एकता में बल है ।

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- (A) Strength in unity
(B) ☒ There is strength in unity
(C) Unity has strength
(D) We should have strength in unity

Direction (94-100) : Choose the correct form of verb :

94. We keep our promises.

- (A) ought
(B) need
(C) ☒ must
(D) could

95. Everybody to dance and enjoy the party.

- (A) want
(B) will want
(C) wanting
(D) ☒ wants

96. The women of my village illiterate.

- (A) ☒ is
(B) were
(C) are
(D) had

97. Each servant a meal.

☒ (A) gets

(B) get

(C) getting

(D) can got

98. To sing well great skill.

(A) require

(B) requires

(C) can require

(D) may require

99. Suman did not a letter.

☒ (A) write

(B) writes

(C) wrote

(D) written

100. Who my book ?

(A) steel

(B) steal

☒ (C) has stolen

(D) stealing

SECTION - B

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(Descriptive Type Questions)

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

Aman was a compassionate boy who always wanted to help others. He devised an idea to organize a food drive for the less fortunate. Along with his friends, he started collecting food items from their neighbourhood. Aman and his friends visited a local shelter and distributed food to needy people. The smiles on the faces of the people filled Aman's heart with happiness. Inspired by the food drive's success, Aman promised to continue doing charitable acts in the future.

Questions :

- i) What idea did Aman come up with ?

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- ii) Who agreed to help Aman in his food drive ? 2
- iii) Where did Aman and his friends collect food items from ? 2
- iv) How did Aman feel about the outcome of the food drive ? 2

OR

Rahul was a brave and curious boy. One summer vacation, he decided to explore the nearby forest. As he entered the woods, he saw colourful birds flying above him. He followed their chirping sounds and discovered a hidden waterfall. Mesmerized by its beauty, Rahul sat on a rock to observe. Suddenly, a squirrel approached him, trying to catch his attention. Rahul reached out his hand, and the squirrel climbed onto it. Delighted, he gently petted it before continuing his exploration into the forest.

Questions :

- i) Where did Rahul decide to go on his summer vacation ? 1
- ii) What did Rahul discover in the forest ? 2
- iii) How did Rahul react when the squirrel approached him ? 2
- iv) Did Rahul continue exploring after petting the squirrel ? 2

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

A volcano is a mountain with an opening in the earth's surface, through which molten rock, ash and gases can escape. Volcanoes are usually found along the edges of tectonic plates, where the Earth's crust is being pulled apart or pushed together. There are three types of volcanoes : strato volcanoes, shield volcanoes, and cinder cones. Strato volcanoes are tall and cone-shaped, with steep sides and a crater at the top. Shield volcanoes are broad and flat, with gently sloping sides and a broad base. Cinder cones are small and cone-shaped, with steep sides and a hole at the top.

Questions :

- i) Where are volcanoes usually found ? 1
- ii) How many types of volcanoes are there ? 2

- iii) What is a volcano ? 2
- iv) Describe a shield volcano. 2

OR

The human eye is a complex organ that allows us to see and interpret the world around us. It consists of several parts including the cornea, iris, pupil, lens, retina and optic nerve. The cornea is the clear outer layer of the eye that protects it and helps focus light.

The iris is the coloured part of the eye that controls the amount of light that enters eye through the pupil. The pupil is the black circle in the centre of the iris that dilates and constricts to adjust the amount of light entering the eye. The lens is a clear, curved structure that helps focus light onto the retina. The retina is the layer of cells at the back of the eye that receives light and send signals to the brain. The optic nerve is a bundle of nerve fibres that carry signals from the retina to the brain.

- i) What is human eye ?
 - ii) What is cornea ? 1
 - iii) What is iris ? 2
 - iv) What is lens ? 2
- 1 Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow :

The cold winter winds,
Blowing harshly through the trees,
Snow under my feet,
Bothering my toes.
And my nose,
Which is in deep freeze.
Snuggled under a warm quilt,
Just cannot stay up late,
Crackle of a fire at night,
With hot water bottle clutched to my side.
And I have to get up again

And go out in the cold tomorrow morning ...

I ... feel ... so sleepy ..

How wonderful ... if I could ... also

Hibernate !

Questions :

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|------|---|---|
| i) | Which part of the narrator's body is in deep freeze ? | 2 |
| ii) | What is the poet snuggled under ? | 2 |
| iii) | What does the poet wish ? | 2 |

OR

Trees are the kindest things I know,

They do no harm, they simply grow

And spread a shade for sleepy cows,

And gather birds among the boughs.

They are the first when the day's begun

To touch the beams of morning sun,

They are the last to hold the light
When evening changes into night.
And when the moon floats on the sky
They hum a drowsy lullaby
Of sleepy children long ago ...
Trees are the kindest things I know.

Questions :

- i) Why does the poet call the trees the kindest things he knows ? 2
- ii) What are the things that trees do ? 2
- iii) What do they do to sleepy children ? 2

Answer any *five* of the following questions :

5 × 2 = 10

- a) How did the pre-Aryans build up a new civilization ?

b) What did Akoulya do while other women were abusing each other ?

c) Mention one feature which Indian films need.

d) What is the old woman's position in the neighbourhood ?

e) ✓ What does the poet wish for after death ?

f) ✓ What comes back again and again ?

g) ✓ Why did Radha's friends run to Lord Krishna ?

h) ✓ Why is the tree called unkind ?

i) Why did the banker weep after he read the notes of the lawyer ?

j) ✓ Comment on the bond between the mother and her daughter.

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5. Write a paragraph on any one of the following in about 60-70 words : [213]

1 × 5 = 5

- i) Importance of Library
- ii) Indian Festivals
- iii) A Visit to a Hill Station
- iv) Value of Trees
- v) All that Glitters is not Gold.

Direction (6-11) : Answer any three from Q. Nos. 6 to 11 :

3 × 5 = 15

6. You are the President of the Extra-Curricular Committee in your school. Write a notice in about 60-70 words inviting entry for different extra-curricular activities to be held in school every Saturday.

Write a report on your visit to the waterlogging areas of Patna.

8. Write an application to your Class Teacher requesting her to give you permission to go back home after lunch as you are not feeling well.
9. Write a letter to your cousin in America to visit your native village during her winter holidays.
10. You are Sushma. Write a speech in about 60-70 words on 'Cultural Diversity in India'.
11. You are Sohan. Write a message in about 30-40 words to your mother requesting her to make chicken curry for dinner.
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