

Padasalai.Net's Pre-Half Yearly Exam Question

Std : X
Sub : English

ENGLISH I PAPER
(Full portion)

Marks: 100
Time: 2:30 hrs

Instructions:

- (i) Check the question paper for fairness of printing.
- (ii) Use Black (or) Blue ink to write.
- (iii) This question paper contains five sections.

SECTION -I (Vocabulary - 20 marks)

I Choose the appropriate synonym of the underlined words 1 X 1 = 5

Once there was a domestic worker in Mr.Ramji's house. She was unsophisticated (i) she showed much reverence (ii) for her employer. Her attitude towards him was one of acquiescence (iii) But Ramji's family tortured (iv) Her. It was not an exceptional (v) incident

- (i) a) Proud b) simple c) Humble d) Playful
- (ii) a) aversion b) revenge c) respect d) Hatred
- (iii) a) understanding b) acceptance c) appearance d) opposition
- (iv) a) tormented b) praised c) rewarded d) punished
- (v) a) usual b) unusual c) normal d) abnormal

2 Choose the appropriate antonym of the underlined words. 5X1=5

Later detailed (i) studies of migration started. Birds' movement is studied by creating artificial (ii) conditions. Ringing is done by capturing (iii) a bird and placing on its legs a light (iv) band of metal or plastic. The band bears details and the address to which the finder should return (v) the ring

- (i) a) Descriptive b) intensive c) elaborate d) limited
- (ii) a) Fake b) un natural c) natural d) be natural
- (iii) a) releasing b) captivating c) flying d) attracting
- (iv) a) bright b) soft c) gentle d) heavy
- (v) a) reject b) refuse c) claim d) consider.

Answer any ten of the followings 10X1=10

- 3. The common expansion of TOEFL is
 - a) Test of England as Foreign Land
 - b) Testing often English as Foreign Language
 - c) Test of English as Foreign Language
 - d) Taste of Eating Foreign Lollipop
- 4. Choose the sentence that correct in its meaning:
 - a) The helper kept the sealing on the cover.
 - b) The helper kept the ceiling on the cover.
- 5. Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American word.
A statement should have a full stop at the end
- 6. Which of the words given below can be placed after the word car to form a compound word?
 - a) Pet b) Let c) Put d) Fetch
- 7. What is the plural form of the word given dictionary?
 - a) Dictionaries b) Dictionarys c) Dictionary
- 8. Attach a prefix to the word from the list given below to complete the sentence
We should not be _____ Sensitive

- a) Extra b) Under c) Hyper d) Hyphen

9. Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning
She extinguished the candles after the function.
a) Blew out b) Blue out c) Blew up d) Blue up
10. Separate the syllables of any one of the following words
a) Siphoning b) Renovated c) Astronomy
11. Choose the appropriate words make a meaningful sentence.
He tied the bundles with nylon _____
a) Cord b) Chord
12. Construct a sentence using one of the words given below:
a) Cruel b) Cruelty c) Cruelly
13. Reframe the sentence using the underlined word as a verb.
Many people believe that God was the creator of the world
14. Which of the two sentences given below conveys the following meaning?
Not a moment did she waste
a) She wasted her time
b) She would never waste a moment

SECTION - II (Grammar 25 marks)

Answer all the questions

10X1=10

15. Which of the options given below will suit the following sentence?
If she finds the right shop, _____
a) She can buy a pen.
b) She could buy a pen
c) She would have bought a pen.
16. Identify the pattern of the following sentence.
All the other boys stood behind the screen.
a) SVCA b) SVOA c) SVA
17. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement.
The girls were not talking in the class, _____?
a) Were they? b) Weren't they c) Didn't they
18. Complete the sentence :-
Shankar was _____ students in the class.
a) Cleverer than any other b) Cleverer than most other c) Cleverest
19. Choose the sentence which correctly conveys the meaning of the sentence given below :-
No body can read as fast as Sheila.
a) Shiela can read faster than all others
b) Only some can read faster than Shiela.
c) Shiela is not the fastest reader
20. Complete the sentence.
_____ Heavy snow, the flight may be cancelled.
a) In spite of b) According to c) Because of
21. Choose the correct verb form to complete the sentence.
He is too honest _____ bribe.
a) Accept b) Accepted c) To accept
22. He succeeded in his life _____ a lot of hard work
a) By doing b) With doing c) At doing

23. Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence.
He became nothing but _____ ineffectual young man.
a) a b) an c) the
24. Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence
The wood cutter was going into the forest _____ his axe
a) At b) On c) With

PART - II

Rewrite as directed: -

5X2=10

25. From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence
He climbed the tree.
He could not pluck the fruit
26. Rewrite the sentence into other voice.
Sneha was baking cookies when she was interrupted by a loud noise.
27. Rewrite the sentence into the direct speech.
Mohan asked me why I looked so sad and gloomy that day and he further asked if anything was troubling me.
28. Rewrite as a single sentence using if clause
Preethi did not start early. She was late to school.
29. Read the following sentences and write an observation in a single sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison.
Bus goes at the speed of 75 km per hour
Car goes at the speed of 90 km per hour
Motor bike goes at the speed of 60 km per hour
Scooter goes at the speed of 50 km per hour
Autorickshaw goes at the speed of 35 km per hour.

30. **Punctuate these sentences**

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april may June are summer months said the geography teacher

SECTION - III (Prose - 15 marks)

PART - I

Answer briefly any five of the following questions

5X2=10

31. What was the condition laid down by the colonel to allow Hughie's engagement to Laura?
32. What are the two incidents that stress the importance of music as an essential art?
33. What is the two fold duty to be acquired by students?
34. What caused the commotion in the street where Chaya lived?
35. What are the age groups covered under the labour laws?
36. Identify the reasons why birds migrate ?
37. How old is the Brihadeeswarar temple? Who built it?

PART - II

Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions

1X5=5

- 38 a) Who was Hughie? How had Hughie treated the model who posed for Trevor?

(or)

b) Describe the daily routine of Chaya and her family.

(or)

c) What makes the Brihadeeswarar temple unique and outstanding?

SECTION - IV (Poetry - 20 marks)

PART - I

Quote from memory one of the following extracts

1X5=5

39. a. Five lines of the poem "Manliness"
From: Except the will _____
To : _____ you'll be a man, my son"
(or)
b) Five lines of the poem "The cry of the children".
From : " The reddest flower _____
To : _____ Round and round"

PART - II

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions given below :-

5X1=5

40. If you can meet with triumph and disaster
And treat those two impostors just the same
a) Who are the impostors?
41. And all day, the iron wheels are droning.
And sometimes we could pray.
a) Who do we refer to?
42. Only blood shot eyes betray
Deep pride, then reverence
a) Why are the eyes blood shot?
43. Where an aching generosity.
Is waiting its time to share.
a) What is an aching generosity?
b) Why is the aching generosity waiting for?

PART - III

Read the following lines from the poems you have studied and answer the questions given below:

5X1=5

44. And all day the iron wheels are droning
And sometimes we could pray.
O! ye wheels (breaking out in a mad moaning)
Stop be silent for today.
a) List out the rhyming word.
b) What is the rhyme scheme employed here?
45. A mirror of his changing moods
Pick out the words in Alliteration
46. The globe's my world. The cloud's my kin.
a) What figure of speech is used here?
47. Now drops that floated on the pool
Like pearls, and now a sliver blade
a) What is the figure of speech used in these lines?

PART - IV

Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions

1X5=5

48. a. What are D.H. Lawrence's reminiscences about his child hood days?
(or)
How does the birds' life differ from the life of human beings as portrayed in
Famida Y. Bsheers poem "Migrant Bird"?
(or)

Bring out the efforts of the Shilpi in his attempt at shaping a raw stone into a sculpture.

SECTION - V
(LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS - 20 Marks)

49. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow

5X2=10

During the America war, the captain of a little band of soldiers gave an order to raise a beam which was very heavy. He was standing aside and shouting, "come on, come on; it goes up!" Another officer who was not in uniform was passing by and asked the captain why he did not give a little aid. He turned and said, "Sir, I am a corporal" The other man said that he did not know he was a corporal. He took off his hat, bowed and said, "I am sorry Mr. Corporal" Then he got down from his horse and helped the soldiers in lifting the beam. Then with sweat on his face he came to the corporal and said, "Mr. Corporal when you have such job and do not have enough men send for you commander - in - chief. I shall be glad to help you". The corporal was thunder - struck to know the other man was Washington.

Questions:

- a) When did this incident happen?
 - b) What was the work assigned to the soldiers?
 - c) What was the corporal doing?
 - d) Who came to help of the soldiers?
 - e) What is the meaning of 'thunder - struck' ?
- a) Lightening b) Storm c) Surprised d) Happy

50. Read the following sentences. Rewrite them correctly after rectifying them.

5X1=5

- a) He was accused for stealing a gold ring
- b) Unless you will study hard you cannot get first class
- c) I have seen the film last week
- d) It is an oldest university in Europe
- e) Cattles are not allowed to enter the ground

51. Look at the picture and answer the questions given below: -

5X1=5



Questions:

- a) What is the game the children playing in the picture?
- b) Where do the children play?
- c) What are the gains we can get when we play?
- d) Write some other games name
- e) Say true or false
We can't get tired when we play long time

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