1. Choose the appropriate synonyms of the underlined words: (5 × 1 = 5)

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

(i) (a) handshake (b) gloves (c) offerings (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 antonyms of the underlined words: (5 × 1 = 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. The police **intervened** (iv) and arrested all the culprits. People were helpless and sought **divine** (v) 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) bad (b) better (c) poor (d) excellent
(iv) (a) ignored (b) involved (c) intersected (d) instructed
(v) (a) heavenly (b) sacred (c) desirable (d) mortal

PART - II

Answer any ten of the following: (10 × 1 = 10)

3. The common expansion of AIR is _______.
   (a) All India Railways
   (b) All India Rivers
   (c) All India Radio
   (d) All Indian Religions

4. Choose the sentence that is correct in its meaning:
   (a) He wants to **buy** a flat.
   (b) He wants to **by** a flat.

5. Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English word.
   Bring water in the **jug**.
6. Which of the words given below can be placed after the word ‘safe’ to form a compound word?
   (a) chair    (b) guard
   (c) shop     (d) van

7. What is the plural form of ‘aquarium’?
   (a) aquariums    (b) aquari
   (c) aquaria

8. Attach a suffix to the word ‘perform’ from the list given below.
   The chief guest appreciated his perform__.
   (a) – ion    (b) – ness
   (c) – ance    (d) – ic

9. Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning.
   The champion yielded to the strength of his opponent.
   (a) gave on    (b) gave back
   (c) gave in    (d) gave up

10. Separate the syllables of any one of the following words:
    (a) permanent    (b) guitarist
    (c) barely

11. Choose the appropriate word.
    They ______ clean drinking water for the party.
    (a) prepare    (b) provide

12. Construct a sentence using any one of the words given below:
    (a) obedient    (b) obediently
    (c) obedience

13. Reframe the sentence using the underlined word as verb.
    His behaviour was that of a gentleman.

14. Which of the two sentences given below convey the following meaning?
    Any one can learn English easily.
    (a) No one can learn English easily.
    (b) Everyone can learn English easily.

**SECTION - B**

(GRAMMAR - 25 MARKS)

**PART - I**

Answer all the following: (10 × 1 = 10)

15. Respond to the following as directed:

16. Identify the pattern of the following sentence.
    He was going to school.
    (a) SVA    (b) SVC    (c) SVO

17. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement:
    The flag has four colours on it, ______?
    (a) isn’t it    (b) hasn’t it    (c) has it?

18. Complete the sentence.
    Ravi is ______ than Ramesh.
    (a) as tall as    (b) the tallest
    (c) taller

19. Choose the sentence which correctly conveys the meaning of the sentence given below:
    Nothing is impossible in life.
    (a) Everything is possible in life.
    (b) Nothing is possible in life.
    (c) Something is impossible in life.
20. Complete the sentence with the correct prepositional phrase:
   __________ Pongal, we have long holidays.
   (a) In spite of    (b) Eventhough    (c) On account of

21. Choose the correct verb form to complete the sentence:
   Mani is too tired _______ the work.
   (a) finish    (b) finishing    (c) to finish

22. Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence:
   Show concern __________.
   (a) for the poor    (b) on the poor    (c) with the poor

23. Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence.
   He holds ______ M.A. Degree in History.
   (a) an    (b) a    (c) the

24. Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence.
   The cat hid _______ the door.
   (a) behind    (b) under    (c) over

PART - II
Answer all the following:  
(5 × 2 = 10)
Rewrite as directed:

25. Combine the two sentences into a single sentence:
   Kiran is very ill. She cannot go to school today.

26. Rewrite the sentence using the passive voice.
   Santa Claus gave sweets to all the children and they thanked him profusely.

27. Rewrite the sentence in reported speech:
   The teacher said to the students, “We are going on an excursion to Kerala next week.”

28. From the context of the two sentences given below frame a single sentence using the ‘If’ clause.
   They evade taxation. They will be punished.

29. Read the following sentences and write an observation in a single sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison.
   (a) Ravi’s income is ₹ 40,000/- P.M.
   (b) Raju’s income is ₹ 20,000/- P.M.
   (c) Kumar’s income is ₹ 10,000/- P.M.
   (d) Arun’s income is ₹ 15,000/- P.M.

   PART - III
30. Punctuate the following sentence:
   what a pretty girl you are exclaimed Rashmi.  
   (1 × 5 = 5)

SECTION - C
(PROSE - 15 MARKS)

PART - I
Answer briefly any five of the following questions, not exceeding 30 words each:
(5 × 2 = 10)

31. Why did Hughie wish to apologise to the Baron?

32. Why isn’t music an extravaganza or a hobby?

33. What are the two valuable qualities to be practised by students?

34. What can lead the world to violence?

35. What are the causes for the increase in domestic workers?

36. What do birds do every year during autumn and early winter?

37. List out the specialities of Thanjavur.

PART - II
Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions not exceeding 120 words.
(1 × 5 = 5)

38. (a) What was the result of Hughie’s mistaking the Baron for a beggar?
(b) What makes the Brihadeesvarar temple unique and outstanding?

(c) Describe the courageous way the Americans overcame the ‘Fall of the Twin Towers’.

SECTION - D
(POETRY - 20 MARKS)

PART - I
Quote from memory any one of the following extracts:

39. (a) Five lines of the poem, “Maliness”
From: “If you can ................
To: .................. and sinew

39. (b) Five lines of the poem, “Migrant Bird”
From: No flags, ..................
To: ............ unknown lands.

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

40. Perhaps a beautiful heart
What does the poet mean by a ‘beautiful heart’?

41. We ran as if to meet the moon
Whom does ‘we’ refer to?

42. Or, all day we drive the wheels of iron
In the factories, round and round.
What do the children do all the day?

43. ‘Taking me back down the vista of years’,
What do you mean by ‘vista’?

44. And treat those two impostors just the same;
Who are called impostors?

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

45. In spite of myself, the insidious mastery of song
Betray me back, till the heart of me weeps to belong
To the old Sunday evenings at home, with winter outside
And hymns in the cosy parlour, the tinkling piano our guide.

Pick out the rhyming words in these lines.

46. With sixty seconds’ worth of distance run.
Identify the words which make this sentence an example of Alliteration.

47. ....... my manhood is cast
Down in the flood of remembrance, ........
Find out the figure of speech employed in this line.

48. The well was dry beside the door,
And so we went with pail and can
Across the fields behind the house
To seek the brook if still it ran;
Bring out the rhyme scheme used in these lines.

49. Have you noticed how some people,
May seem plain as plain can be?
Identify the figure of speech used here.

PART - IV
Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions not exceeding 120 words.

50. (a) What are D.H. Lawrence’s reminiscences about his childhood days?

(OR)

(b) How does the bird’s life differ from the life of human beings?
(c) Describe the experiences of the children on their way to the brook to seek water.

SECTION - E

(LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS : 20 MARKS)

51. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:  
   (5 × 2 = 10)

   Discipline is the most essential virtue you should acquire when you are young. It is a complex quality. It shapes your mind to religious, social and economic patterns when you grow up to be an active citizen. At a young age, we do not realize the value of discipline, as children, we merely long for unlimited freedom, without understanding the meaning of discipline. An athlete disciplines himself and keeps himself fit. He refrains from smoking, observes good food habits and keeps good health. Discipline increases the human energy and implies control, resistance and adjustment. Our energy is saved and made vital for a good output.

   Questions :
   (a) The word ‘essential’ means:
      (i) necessary  (ii) important  (iii) compulsory
   (b) How does discipline aid a citizen?
   (c) Why don’t children want discipline?
   (d) Mention some ways in which an athlete maintains discipline.
   (e) How is discipline beneficial to human beings?

52. Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences:  
   (5 × 1 = 5)

   (a) As the child fell down so it started crying.
   (b) He is a honest man.
   (c) Neither the secretary nor the manager were available.
   (d) The cat drink milk
   (e) One of the chairs are broken.

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

   Questions :
   (a) What is the name of this folk dance?
   (b) Where can you see this dance performance?
   (c) What do the dancers have on their head?
   (d) What is the significance of this dance?
   (e) Mention any one of the folk dances other than this dance.

   Answers

   PAPER - I
   Section - A
   (Part - I)
   1. (i) c) offerings; (ii) d) sorrowful; (iii) a) strong; (iv) b) offered; (v) d) clearly marked
   2. (i) c) external; (ii) a) friendship; (iii) b) better; (iv) a) ignored; (v) d) mortal;
   (Part - II)
   3. AIR - c) All India Radio
   4. (a) He wants to buy a flat
   5. Jug - Pitcher
   6. safe - b) safeguard
   7. aquarium - c) aquaria
8. perform - c) performance
9. yielded - c) gave in
10. (a) per-ma-nent (4)  
    (b) gui-ta-rist (3)  
    (c) bare-ly (2)
11. b) provide
12. (a) He is an obedient student.  
    (b) He obediently followed his teacher’s instructions.  
    (c) Obedience is essential in any army.
13. He behaved like a gentleman.
14. b) Everyone can learn English easily.
15. b) you will pass the exam
16. a) S V A  
17. b) hasn’t it ?
18. c) taller
19. a) Everything is possible in life  
20. c) On account of  
21. c) to finish
22. a) for the poor  
23. a) an
24. a) behind

Section - B  
(Part - I)

25. Kiran is too ill to go to school today/ Kiran is very ill and so she cannot go to school today.
26. Sweets were given to all the children by Santa Claus and he was thanked by them profusely.
27. The teacher told the students that they were going on an excursion to Kerala the following week.
28. If they evade taxation, they will be punished
29. Ravi’s income is the highest of all / Kumar’s income is the lowest of all.

Section - C  
(Part - I)

31. Hughie had treated the Baron like a beggar. So he wished to apologise to the Baron.
32. Music gives meaning to our lives. It is an expression of our innermost feelings of joy or sorrow. It is the language of the soul and it helps us to understand things with our hearts when we cannot with our minds. So music can neither be an extravagance nor a hobby.
33. The two valuable qualities to be practised by students are:  
    (i) Obedience to parents,  
    (ii) Reverence for teachers.
34. Due to water shortage there would be tension everywhere and this would become a global issue. People will fight among themselves for water. This will lead to violence.
35. Millions of people, particularly from the tribal areas are leaving their homes because of the increasing number of industries. These are the women who join the class of domestic workers. An increase in the number of small families has also led to an increase in the need for domestic workers.
36. Thousands of birds travel from Northern regions of Asia, Europe and America, to the Southern warmer lands in order to escape the harsh winter.
37. Thanjavur is the Granary of Tamil Nadu. It is the home of Carnatic music, dance and handicrafts. It is also famous for its stylised bronze work.  

(Part - II)

38. (a) Hughie was extremely moved by the wizened model posing for a beggar. He took the last sovereign he had in his
pocket and gave it to the model. But, the model was not poor at all. He was Baron Hausberg, one of the richest men in Europe. But Hughie mistook him because he was perfect in his role. When Trevor heard of this he laughed and told him who the model was. He also told Hughie that he had told about him and Laura Merton.

The next day a messenger from Baron Hausberg came to meet Hughie and presented him an envelope. The Baron had sent ten thousand pounds to Hughie and Laura, as a wedding present and had signed on the envelope as ‘an old beggar’. This was the surprising result of Hughie’s kind gesture.

“Kindness is repaid with kindness.”

(OR)

(b) Lord Brihadeesvarar temple was built by the great Chola King Raja Raja in 1010.

It is now more than 1000 years old. It is a magnificent symbol of flourishing sculptural expertise of that era. The temple occupies an area of 750 feet by 400 feet. The imposing Vimanam is built of stones with bonding and notching. The topmost stone, which weighs nearly 80 tons had been hauled up without the help of any machines. It is believed to have been pulled by elephants on a ramp from the village of Sarapallam, 4 miles away from the temple. The craftsmanship of South Indian artisans is represented in the details of the stone work of the Vimanam. The shape of the temple echoes the divine Mount Kailash of Lord Shiva. Both the Shilpi (sculptor) and the sthapathi (architect) have worked together to build this Southern Kailash. The great tower has no comparison in its perfect geometry and in the clarity of distinct lines.

(c) The Twin Towers of the World Trade Centre were destroyed by terrorists. It happened on 11th September 2001. The terrorists flew two hijacked planes through the towers. The towers collapsed killing thousands of people. The whole world was shocked by this attack. But the Americans did not lose heart. They pulled themselves out of the sorrow of losing their fellow countrymen. They gathered around the fire houses singing “We shall overcome” and “America, the Beautiful”. They organized a music concert at Lincoln Center. It was Brahms Requiem, and it showed that only music could effect recovery from such catastrophies.

Section - D

(Part - I)

39. (a) If you can dream and not make dreams your master;
If you can think and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with triumph and disaster;
And treat those two impostors just the same;
If you can force your heart, and nerve, and sinew

(b) No flags, no machine guns that blast Citizens of those border states-
Brothers of her brother’s sons.
No maps, no boundaries to block My sojourn into unknown lands.

(Part - II)

40. ‘A beautiful heart’ is one which does good to others.
41. The word ‘We’ refers to the children.
42. All through the day, they turn heavy iron wheels.
43. ‘Vista’ means a pleasing view.
44. Triumph and disaster are called impostors.

(Part - III)
45. The rhyming words are song - belong, outside - guide.
46. Alliteration: with - worth; sixty - seconds.
47. Metaphor. 48. a b c b.
49. Simile.

(Part - IV)
50. (a) The day has dwindled into dusk and some lady is singing to the poet, D.H. Lawrence while playing the piano. The poet is filled with childhood memories. He remembers sitting under the piano while his mother played tunes. He remembers the boom of the tingling strings and he, pressing the small poised feet of his mother and her smile while she sang.

The song the lady now sings makes him unconsciously long for the olden days. The family used to be at home on Sunday evenings, and they sat cosily in the parlour, in spite of the severe winter outside, and sang hymns together. The tinkling piano used to be their guide. He feels the lady who sings cannot attract his attention, with her music, because the glamour of his childhood days are upon him, and he weeps like a child, remembering the past and wanting to go back to those days again.

(OR)
(b) The bird lives a life of freedom with no limits in the sky. The cloud is its relative. The endless sky is its home. But man on earth is not as free as the bird. He has set his own limits. Narrow walls of greed and power, divide man.

He has drawn boundaries to divide nations. Each nation has its own flag. Machine guns and weapons reveal men’s hatred for each other. They kill to win. They kill for power. Such feelings do not exist among birds. They fly as a flock. They migrate to distant lands and water bodies. They breed where they like. Every place on earth and sky is their home. But birds fear man and his greed. They are hunted by man. Man extends his greed to the birds of the air. The birds are afraid to look down at men in their flight. The birds are happy with their own dreams with outspread wings in the sky.

(OR)
(c) Robert Frost describes a band of children reaching for brook, vibrantly. The well near their house is now dry, and the children willingly run into the woods, in search of the brook, they know. It is an autumn evening and the air is chilly. The trees have shed their leaves, and there are no birds on their barren branches. There is no breeze, and everything in the wood is still and silent. The moon rises slowly behind the trees, and the children run as if to meet the moon. They lay their hands on each other’s shoulders and listen. They become as quiet as the silent woods and presently hear the gently tinkling sound of the brook. The children’s search is over.
Section - E

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(c) Neither the secretary nor the manager was available.

(d) The cat drinks milk.

(e) One of the chairs is broken.

53. (a) Karakattam is the name of this folk dance.

(b) We can see this dance performance in village festivals.

(c) The dancers have karagam on their head.

(d) It is a traditional dance, praising the Tamil Goddess.

(e) Silambattam/Thappattam/Oyilattam/Mayilattam/Poikkal Kuthirai attam.
SECTION - I

(NON-DETAILED - 35 MARKS)

1. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate phrases given below to form a complete meaningful paragraph:  \((5 \times 1 = 5)\)

   “Thank you, \(\text{(a)}\),” the lady said holding her hand out for me to shake, “for taking care of \(\text{(b)}\). We were in a \(\text{(c)}\) and somehow we got separated when I went to the \(\text{(d)}\). I guess he lost his \(\text{(e)}\) too.”

   (i) Sam  
   (ii) hospital  
   (iii) collar and harness  
   (iv) Shelly  
   (v) traffic accident

2. Read the following sentences and identify the character/speaker.  \((5 \times 1 = 5)\)

   (a) “Well, my baby boy”  
   (b) ‘My son, I’d like to help you’  
   (c) ‘I’ve got to fight to the very end’  
   (d) ‘At least we had some quality time together today’  
   (e) ‘Home is where the heart is’

3. Match the following appropriately:  \((5 \times 1 = 5)\)

   (a) Serge - an Indian Engineer  
   (b) Kumar - Celine’s daughter  
   (c) Amandine - a council worker  
   (d) Dad - Goldy  
   (e) Sam - a flying officer

4. Complete the following sentences choosing the correct answer from the options given below:  \((5 \times 1 = 5)\)

   (a) Dad had bought Mum \(\text{____}.\)  
      (a) a veena  (b) a piano  
      (c) a violin  (d) a keyboard

   (b) The Cathedral was in \(\text{____}\) town.  
      (a) Italy  (b) Sicilian  
      (c) Rome  (d) Jerusalem

   (c) Jack Poderoso was a \(\text{____}\) year old teacher.  
      (a) 40  (b) 45  
      (c) 35  (d) 42

   (d) With great difficulty, Kumar’s family managed to send him to:  
      (a) UAE  (b) US  
      (c) UK  (d) India

   (v) Hubert was a boy of:  
      (a) ten years  (b) fourteen years  
      (c) twelve years  (d) five years

5. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:  \((5 \times 1 = 5)\)

   “Come on, we’ve got to get out of here now”. Serge urged his partner Celine. Flood water that had poured into their little terraced home was already 30 centimetres deep and rising. The couple had lifted the sofa on to the dining table and stacked as many other possessions as they could out of the reach of the filthy water. It was 2.15 pm on Monday, September 22, 2003 and the small town of Lunel in Southern France had been battered by violent storms since mid-morning.

   Council worker Serge, 43 and 32 year old Celine, a home help, had lived most of their lives in Lunel which stands only a few metres above the sea level.
(a) Why did Serge urge his partner?
(b) Where did they keep their possessions?
(c) When had Lunel been battered by violent storms?
(d) What were Serge and Celine?
(e) Where did they spend most of their lives?

6. Study the given mind map and fill in the incomplete details:  (5 × 1 = 5)

Pensively he recalled his preparations for his trip to ____(a)___.
His outstanding performance at college had gained him ____(b)____.
Very soon he was assured of a ____(c)____ there.
He had to ____(d)____ his mother.
Dad had squeezed out ____(e)____ from every possible source.

7. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions:  (1 × 5 = 5)
(a) Narrate the story ‘Sam’ in your own words.

(OR)

(b) Bring out the element of irony in the story ‘The Face of Judas Iscariot’.

(OR)

(c) How did the brothers realise their affection for each other through the close encounter?

SECTION - II
(LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS : 15 MARKS)

8. Make notes of the following passage and prepare a summary using the notes:  (5 + 5 = 10)

India’s employment landscape is undergoing a metamorphosis. Public sector bank jobs are once again emerging as coveted career options and simultaneously, evolving as one of the top recruiters of fresh graduates in the country. With high social acceptance for these jobs and good pay scales, it is not without reason that there is a huge demand for them. Incidentally, over 60,000 new vacancies are advertised annually and several applicants vie for seats. The selection process is through competitive exams conducted by the Indian Banking Personnel Selection Board and the State Bank of India. These bank exams are not tough. They test quantitative reasoning and verbal abilities along with general awareness of the individual.

9. Complete the following dialogue appropriately:  (5 × 1 = 5)

TTR : Ticket please.
Traveller : Sorry sir, somehow I have lost my ticket.
TTR : ________________?
Traveller : ________________.
TTR : Then ________________?
Traveller : Just a minute sir ________________?
TTR : Be quick.
Traveller : I got it. Here it is sir.
TTR : ________________
Traveller : OK. Thank you sir.

SECTION - III
(COMMUNICATIVE SKILLS : 15 MARKS)

10. Write a dialogue with a minimum of five utterances for the situation given below:  (5)

Build a dialogue between a mother and a doctor on the need for vaccination against dengue fever.
11. Suba wanted to write a letter to her friend congratulating her for her victory in Para Olympic Games. She had the format ready but is yet to complete the letter. Complete the content of her letter in about 100 words.

9/11 Kinley Street,  
R City  
27th February, 2017

Dear Rajalakshmi,

_____________________________________
_____________________________________
_____________________________________

Your loving friend,  
Suba

Address on the envelope  
To,  
Miss Rajalakshmi,  
27, Woodland Street,  
Ooty.

12. Prepare an advertisement on the information given below: (5)
(a) Laptop - computer shop - systems for students - special discounts - affordable price - limited period offer - details visit WWW.huge.com.
(OR)
(b) Hurry - 50% off - Group tours - limited seats - Tamil Travels - Europe - Australia - USA.

SECTION - IV
(EXPANSION OF IDEAS : 35 marks)

13. Expand the following headlines: (5 × 1 = 5)
   a) PM appeals for peace in the country.
   b) Committee to monitor new policy on education.
   c) Five teachers selected for Best Teacher award.
   d) India wins 20 medals at Rio Olympics.
   e) NEET rescheduled.

14. Study the tabulation below and answer the questions given below: (5 × 1 = 5)

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(a) Total number of vehicles passed between 6.30 to 9.00.
   (i) 220  
   (ii) 245  
   (iii) 100  
   (iv) 230

(b) No. of cars passed between 18.00 to 20.00.
   (i) 110  
   (ii) 90  
   (iii) 65  
   (iv) 80

(c) State whether the following statement is true or false.
   ‘The road was less frequented by buses between 10.00 to 12.00’
   (d) The traffic was very heavy between:
   (i) 21.00 to 22.30  
   (ii) 18.00 to 20.00  
   (iii) 13.00 to 15.30  
   (iv) 6.30 to 9.00

(b) The road was less frequented by bikes between:
   (a) 6.30 to 9.00  
   (b) 10.00 to 12.00  
   (c) 18.00 to 20.00  
   (d) 13.00 to 15.30

15. Write a paragraph on any one of the following outlines in about 100 words:
   (a) Mobile phone - marvel of modern world - cellular phone - useful - businessmen, professional, tourists - demerit too - while driving - not to use - aeroplane - petrol bunks - too much use - health hazard - waste of time - unnecessary SMS - use it properly.
   (OR)
(b) Students - take care of health - time - study - get enough sleep - eat healthy food - regular study - avoid last minute cramming - last minute tension - attention in class - recapitulate it home - drink lot of water.

16. Match the following products and slogans appropriately:  \(5 \times 1 = 5\)
   (a) Call Taxi - Learn management
   (b) Generator - If you call it will reach in minutes
   (c) Business studies - The cup that cheers
   (d) Glass - Non stop power
   (e) Tea - Handle with care

17. Observe the map given below and write the instructions required: \(5\)
   Guide the stranger to the Post Office

18. Read the poem given below and complete its paraphrase with suitable words and phrases in the given blanks: \(5 \times 1 = 5\)

   NIGHT
   The sun descending in the west,
   The evening star does shine,
   The birds are silent in their nest,
   And I must seek for mine,
   The moon, like a flower,
   In heaven's high bower
   With silent delight,
   Sits and smiles on the night

   The time referred to here is (a) _____ and
   (b) _____ on the sky. (c) _____ are taking
   rest in their nest. The poet wants to (d) ___.
   The poet seemed to be silent and delightful
   like (e) _______.

19. (a) You see a notice at the bus terminus.
    A passenger from Singapore, who
    cannot read Tamil, needs your help
    in understanding the notice. Give him
    the message in English.

    Translate into English:

    (OR)

    (b) Look at the picture given below and
    express your views on it in about five
    sentences.

    A Puppy in a Kennel

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Answers

PAPER - II

Section - I

1. (i) Shelly   (ii) Sam   (iii) traffic accident   (iv) hospital   (v) collar and harness

2. (a) Rob Reilly’s mother   (b) The painter (Artist)   (c) Celine   (d) Rex Coker’s brother   (e) Kumar

3. (a) Serge   - a council worker   (b) Kumar   - an Indian Engineer   (c) Amandine   - Celine’s daughter   (d) Dad   - a flying officer   (e) Sam   - Goldy

4. (a) (i) a piano   (b) (i) Sicilian   (c) (i) 45   (d) (i) US   (e) (i) fourteen years

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5. (a) Serge urged his partner because the flood water that had poured into their little terraced home was already 30 centimetres deep and rising.
(b) They had lifted the sofa on to the dining table and kept their possessions on it.
(c) Lunel had been battered by violent storms on Monday, September 22, 2003 at 2.15 pm.
(d) Serge was a council worker and Celine was a home help.
(e) They spent most of their lives in Lunel.

6. (a) the United States.
(b) a wonderful career at a Multi National Corporation.
(c) promising career
(d) convince
(e) funds

7. (a) Shelly, who stayed indoors due to bad weather found a blond Labrador on his doorstep. The dog had sought refuge since it had hurt its paw. Shelly did not know who its owner was and he did not want to call the dog-catcher. So he fetched his First Aid Kit and nursed the dog's paw.
He named it Goldy. His mother took steps to trace the owner but all her attempts were in vain. In the meantime, the dog's paw healed. He soon became Shelly's best friend. One day, a blind lady named Diane, made her appearance. At the sight of the lady, Goldy ran up to her and licked her face expressing his love. The lady explained that the dog was actually 'Sam', her guide dog. They had been separated in an accident. Seeing their reunion Shelly's heart sank. Diane thanked Shelly for his kindness. Shelly in turn entrusted the dog to the rightful owner for he was convinced that the blind lady needed the dog more than he did.

(OR)

b) The model for Child Jesus was selected by the painter because of his innocence. The painter was taken up by the face of the boy. It resembled an angel and would definitely be apt for the face of the Child Jesus. The painter was happy and satisfied. After a tedious search for a model for Judas he found a face as he had envisioned: a man warped by life, enfeebled by surrendering to greed and lust. He was happy for the man seemed to bear the marks of every sin of mankind. It is ironical to note the same figure posing as a model for both Christ and Judas - the two extreme poles. The former is known for his love and affection. The latter for his wickedness and betrayal. The same painting portrays the same face of the same man but with contrary expressions. This is ironical. The transformation within a short time in the model's life must have been the impact of the world on him. So the element of pathos exceeds all other feelings.

(OR)

c) The author's brother, a tinker with his innovative ideas tried to create a new bike. An old Schwinn bike was remodelled with different attachments. The day of the test run behind their house had them laughing with excitement. The author's brother 'saddled up' on his beast of an invention. He put on his bike helmet and leather gloves. They exchanged the 'thumbs up' as in old war movies. He switched on the engine and the beast came to life. Rex tried to run after his brother but in vain. The bike disappeared and reappeared after a few minutes. It headed straight towards the author at a great speed. The author ran for life and managed to escape. Unfortunately his brother got entangled in the clothes line. The author ran to save his brother. They picked up a quarrel and accused each other for what had happened. The situation changed when they saw the condition of their bike. They laughed and were pleased to have some quality time together. They were optimistic in their views.

Section - II

8. Note Making:

Huge demands for Banking Jobs
India's employment – Public sector bank jobs – coveted career options – recruitment

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Huge demands for Banking Jobs

India’s employment landscape is changing. Bank jobs are emerging as coveted career options once again. High social status and good pay scales motivate the fresh graduates to get bank jobs. 60,000 vacancies are advertised annually. Selection is done through competitive exams, conducted by the Indian Banking Personnel Selection Board and the State Bank of India. These exams are not tough. They test quantitative reasoning, verbal abilities and general awareness of the individual.

Section - III

10. Mother : Doctor, May we come in?
   Doctor : Yes, please come in. Oh, It’s Mrs. Malathi and little sweetie. Is something wrong with her?
   Mother : Yes, she’s been having fever since last night.
   Doctor : Do any of your friends have fever in class, Sweetie?
   Sweetie : Yes, Uncle.
   Doctor : Mrs. Malathi, I think it would be wiser to give Sweetie a vaccination against dengue.
   Mother : You mean an injection?
   Doctor : Yes, that will save us from fear of any dengue fever in future.
   Mother : Then, let’s go ahead with the vaccination.
   Doctor : That’s very wise. Nurse, get the vaccination ready.

11. I am fine. How are you? I am very delighted to know that you have got victory in Para Olympic Games. Please accept my heartiest congratulations for this great achievement. Actually, your selfless dedication and devotion to the cause of Sports and Games have earned you this deserving recognition. This is just the beginning and many such victories and medals should follow.

Please convey my respectful compliments to your parents.

12. (a) Systems for students
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Limited period offer
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(b) Group Tours
* Europe
* Australia
* USA
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Section - IV

13. (a) The Prime Minister has appealed to the people to maintain peace and calm in the country.
(b) An Indian Education Committee, which has been established last week, will monitor the new policy on school education.
(c) Five teachers have been selected for State’s Best Teacher award to be awarded on Teacher’s Day Septembre 5, 2017.
(d) The National Board of Examinations has rescheduled the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test for Post Graduation - 2017 at Chennai test centres for December 26, 2016.
(e) India won twenty medals, in total, at Rio Olympics in athletics, badminton, boxing, field hockey, shooting, swimming, tennis and wrestling.

14. (a) (ii) 245
(b) (i) 110
(c) False
(d) (ii) 18.00 to 20.00
(e) (ii) 10.00 to 12.00

15. (a) MOBILE PHONE
Mobile phone is a marvel of modern world. It is also called as cellular phone. It is useful in many ways. We can make calls while on the go, send messages, read emails, etc. So, for the businessmen, professionals and tourists, it is very useful. But there are demerits too. While driving a vehicle, we should not use it. Many countries ban the use of cell phones in aeroplanes and petrol bunks. Too much use of the cell phone is certainly a health hazard. The emission of electromagnetic radiation will harm our brain, heart, lungs. Apart from that, time also will be wasted by sending unnecessary messages. So we have to use it properly.

“Science is a boon to mankind”

(OR)

(b) STUDENTS AND THEIR STUDIES
Students should know how to balance their study hours and maintain their health. Adequate sleep will refresh the mind with a sufficient supply of oxygen. Without healthy food, students will lack mental stamina, will grow tired easily and even forget whatever they learn. Milk, cereals, fruits and vegetables are healthier than fast foods.

Regular study hours and revising will save last minute cramming and tensions. Paying complete attention in class, clearing all doubts and recapitulation are the best tips to study well. Drinking sufficient water will keep the skin healthy. Students should take care of their health so that they can concentrate on their study.

“A sound body is essential for a sound mind”

16. (a) Call Taxi - If you call it will reach in minutes
(b) Generator - Non stop power
(c) Business studies - Learn management
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(e) Tea - The cup that cheers

17. Walk along the Trunk road. You will come across a petrol bunk on your left. At the end of Trunk road, turn right and go ahead. A hotel will be seen on your right side and after a few steps turn again right side. Proceed further and you will see the Post Office on your left.

18. (i) night
(ii) evening star and the moon
(iii) The birds
(iv) seek for his resting place
(v) the moon

19. (a) Keep the surroundings clean. Don’t make the road unclean by dumping rubbish and waste. Don’t spit.

(b) Views on the picture:
A Puppy in a Kennel
1. A puppy is seen behind the window.
2. It seems to be a pet dog as it is inside a house.
3. It is not barking and is silently watching outside.
4. It seems to be waiting for its master.
5. There are lot of differences between a street dog and a pet dog.

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