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Sl. No. :

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Time : 3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

Instructions :

- 1) There are 5 sections in this question paper.
- 2) Figures to the right indicate full marks of the questions.
- 3) Read the instructions carefully before answering the questions.
- 4) Number the answers correctly.
- 5) Write in legible handwriting.

SECTION - A

- Read the following passage and select the appropriate answer. [5]

The chief commercial crop was indigo. The landlords compelled all tenants to plant three twentieths or 15 percent of their holdings with indigo and surrender the entire indigo harvest as rent. This was done by long-term contract. Presently, the landlords learned that Germany had developed synthetic indigo. They, thereupon, obtained agreements from the sharecroppers to pay them compensation for being released from the 15 percent arrangement.

The sharecropping arrangement was irksome to the peasants, and many signed willingly. Those who resisted, engaged lawyers; the landlords hired thugs. Meanwhile, the information about synthetic indigo reached the illiterate peasants who had signed, and they wanted their money back.

- 1) The passage gives the detail about the peasants of _____

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|---------------|---------------|
| (a) Champaner | (b) Champaran |
| (c) Chennai | (d) Chamba |

- 2) The landlords were ready to release the peasants from 15% arrangement because _____
- (a) it was irksome
 - (b) it was non-profitable
 - (c) they opposed indigo cultivation
 - (d) Germany developed synthetic indigo
- 3) The peasants who had signed wanted their money back when _____.
- (a) they got organised
 - (b) they were strong enough to resist
 - (c) they came to know about synthetic indigo
 - (d) they went to the court
- 4) The compensation was demanded by _____
- (a) landlords
 - (b) peasants
 - (c) lawyers
 - (d) leaders
- 5) Find the antonym from the passage for - 'reluctantly'
- (a) irksome
 - (b) willingly
 - (c) compelled
 - (d) engaged

■ **Fill in the blanks with appropriate options given in the brackets.**

Write the answers only :

(recognised, contrary, learn, dissertation, hypotheses, correct, appreciated, conclusion, trials, research)

[5]

When I presented my first Doctoral _____ 6 _____ in Italy, one of the professors said, "Scholars _____ 7 _____ a lot of a certain subject, then they make a lot of false _____ 8 _____, then they _____ 9 _____ them and at the end, they put the _____ 10 _____. You, on the _____ 11 _____, told the story of your _____ 12 _____. Even including your _____ 13 _____ and errors." At the same time, he _____ 14 _____ I was right and went on to publish it as a book, which meant he _____ 15 _____ it.

- Answer the following questions in about six to seven sentences each (Any Three) :

[9]

- 16) What is M. Hamel's opinion about the French language?
- 17) How did the slum Seemapuri come into existence ? Write a note on it.
- 18) What made the rattrap seller finally change his ways?
- 19) Why was Stephen Spender invited at Gemini Studios ? How did Ashokamitran discover it ?
- 20) What conclusion can we draw from the conversation between Sophie and Jansie ?

SECTION - B

- Read the following lines carefully and answer the questions given below :

[2]

Aunt Jennifer's tigers prance across a screen
Bright topaz denizens of a world of green.

- 21) Who is the writer of these lines ?
- 22) What does the writer mean by 'a world of green' ?

- Read the following lines carefully and answer the questions given below : [2]

Break O break open till they break the town

And show the children to green fields, and make their world

Run azure on gold sands.....

23) Who are the children described in the stanza ?

24) What does the author want for the children ?

- Choose the correct figure of speech from the options given below : [4]

25) Let's not speak in any language.

- (a) Litotes
- (b) Synecdoche
- (c) Simile
- (d) Pun

26) A thing of beauty is joy forever

- (a) Oxymoron
- (b) Metonymy
- (c) Hyperbole
- (d) Paradox

27) The polished traffic passed with a mind ahead.

- (a) Metaphor
- (b) Transferred Epithet
- (c) Epigram
- (d) Climax

28) Young trees sprinting, the merry children spilling.

- (a) Simile
- (b) Euphemism
- (c) Antithesis
- (d) Personification

■ Answer the following questions in about Four to Five sentences each (Any Four) :

[8]

- 29) What do the parting words of Kamala Das and her smile signify?
- 30) What incongruity lies there in the teaching aids in the classroom and the slum outside ?
- 31) What does Pablo Neruda ask us to do ? Why is it necessary at present ?
- 32) According to Keats, what is the role of beauty in our life ?
- 33) What does Robert Frost mean by 'greedy good-doers' ? What duality is noticed in their behaviour ?
- 34) ' Aunt Jennifer created animals that are so different from her own character' .- Explain the statement in reference to the poem 'Aunt Jennifer's Tigers'.

■ Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :

[2]

"Don't thank me too early," Sadao said coldly. He saw the flicker of terror again in the boy's eyes – terror as unmistakable as an animal's. The scars on his neck were crimson for a moment. Those scars! What were they ? Sadao did not ask.

- 35) Who was 'the boy' mentioned in the passage ?
- 36) Why did he thank Dr. Sadao ?

- **Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :** [3]

Students on Ice, the programme I was working with on the Shokalskiy, aims to do exactly this by taking high school students to the ends of the world and providing them with inspiring educational opportunities which will help them foster a new understanding and respect for our planet. It's been in operation for six years now, headed by Canadian Geoff Green, who got tired of carting celebrities and retired, rich, curiosity-seekers who could only 'give' back in a limited way.

- 37) Who is the narrator of the passage ?
 38) What is 'Shokalskiy'?
 39) Why did Geoff Green prefer to take high school children to 'Antarctica' ?

SECTION - C

- **Rectify the Errors [40–43] :** [4]

	Error	Correction
The Three Surgeon who performed [40]	_____	_____
it came out from the theatre [41]	_____	_____
and announce, " The Operation was[42]	_____	_____
successful. The Maharaj is died. [43]	_____	_____

- **Punctuate the following passage.** [2]

44 _____ where do ye suggest we make for ____ 45 _____" asked the driver _____ 46 _____ in a broad Scots accent _____ 47 _____.

- **Rewrite the sentences using the correct meaning of the given phrases / idioms.** [4]

- 48) Sitting at my desk, I was tearing up newspaper day in and day out. [everyday for long time, day and night, day to day]

49) Subbu was tailor-made for films.

[unfit, excited, very suitable]

50) At last I felt released -free to brush aside fear.

[awaken, ignore, identify]

51) M. Hamel wanted to put all he knew into our heads at one stroke.

[with an immediate action, by hitting on our heads, by using shortcut]

52) **Convert the following into indirect speech.**

[4]

“Can you arrange a room where he can write his exam ?”, said the secretary.

“No problem. He’s in a cell on his own. If you’ve no objection, he can sit the exam in there”. said the Governor.

“That’s fine”.

“We could easily get one of the parsons from St. Mary Mags to invigilate”.

■ **Do as directed :**

[6]

53) The fear held me firmly in its grip.

[Choose the correct passive]

- (a) I am hold firmly by the fear in its grip.
- (b) I was held firmly by the fear in its grip.
- (c) I was hold firmly by the fear in its grip.
- (d) Let me be held firmly by fear in its grip.

54) I know nothing except bangles.

[Choose the correct affirmative]

- (a) I know only about bangles.
- (b) I know everything of bangles.
- (c) I know something of bangles.
- (d) I know everything except bangles.

55) Everything is the same but everything is different,_____?

[Choose suitable question tag]

- (a) doesn't it
- (b) isn't they
- (c) aren't they
- (d) isn't it

56) The steel canister is heavier than the plastic bag.

[Choose the correct positive degree]

- (a) The steel canister is as heavy as the plastic bag.
- (b) The steel canister is not so heavy as the plastic bag.
- (c) The plastic bag is as heavy as the steel canister.
- (d) The plastic bag is not so heavy as the steel canister.

57) M Hamel was too emotional to speak a word.

[Choose the correct sentence without 'too']

- (a) M Hamel was very emotional to speak a word.
- (b) M Hamel was so emotional not to speak a word.
- (c) M Hamel was so emotional that he could not speak a word.
- (d) M Hamel was so emotional that he can not speak a word.

58) As soon as he saw the man in broad daylight, he realised his mistake.

[Choose the correct sentence with No sooner]

- (a) No sooner he saw the man in broad daylight, he realised his mistake.
- (b) No sooner did he see the man in broad daylight than he realised his mistake.
- (c) No sooner did he saw the man in broad daylight, than he realised his mistake.
- (d) No sooner did he see the man in broad daylight then he realised his mistake.

SECTION - D

[5]

- Read the passage and answer the questions given below :

Greed has poisoned men's souls; has barricaded the world with hate; has goose-stepped us into misery and bloodshed. We have developed speed, but we have shut ourselves in. Machinery that gives abundance has left us in want. Our knowledge has made us cynical; our cleverness, hard and unkind. We think too much and feel too little. More than machinery, we need humanity. More than cleverness we need kindness and gentleness. Without these qualities, life will be violent and all will be lost. The aeroplane and the radio have brought us closer together. The very nature of these inventions cries out for the goodness in man; cries out for universal brotherhood; for the unity of us all.

- 59) What is the root cause of hatred?
60) What is the result of our cleverness?
61) Which inventions (mentioned in the passage) help removing distances?
62) What kind of life will there be without gentleness?
63) Find out synonym from the passage for- 'in plenty'

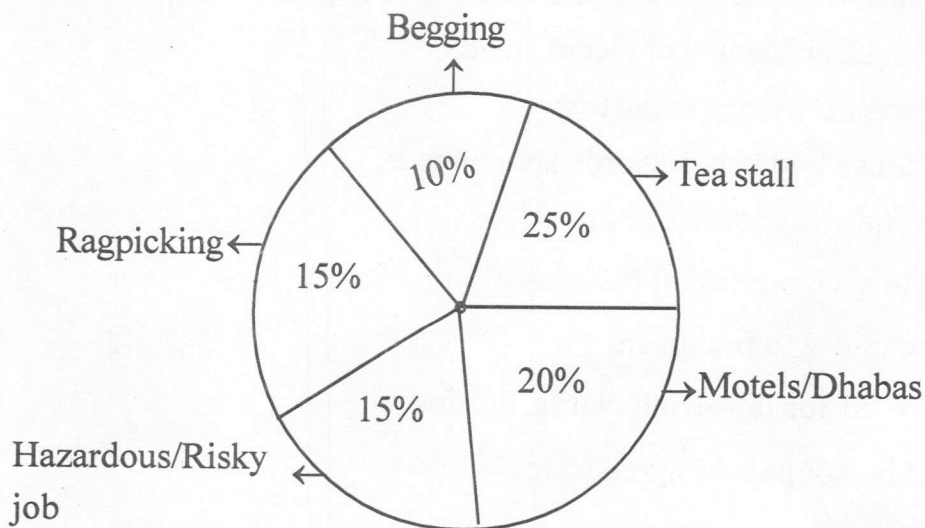
OR

- Read the following poem and answer the questions given below :

Dear Sir, Dear Madam or Dear Friend,
With ease are written at the top;
When those two happy words are penned,
A youthful writer oft will stop,
And bite his pen, and lift his eyes
As if he thinks to find in air
The wished-for following words, or tries
To fix his thoughts by fixed stare.
But haply all in vain- the next

Two words may be so long before
 They'll come, the writer, sore perplex,
 Give in despair the matter over;
 And when maturer age he sees
 With ready pen so swift inditing,
 With envy he beholds the ease
 Of long-accustomed letter-writing.

- 59) Whose problem is described in the poem?
- 60) What is written at the top?
- 61) Which gestures suggest that he is struggling for thoughts?
- 62) Who can write with greater ease ?
- 63) Identify the figure of speech in the line – ‘And then maturer age he sees’.
- 64) Your school has started ‘English speaking classes’ for students. [5]
 You are in need of a suitable candidate. Draft an advertisement
 inviting applications from the eligible candidates.
- 65) Child labour is a blot on our society. Following is the chart of [5]
 1000 children below 14 years age engaged in different activities.
 Interpret the chart in 6 to 7 sentences.



OR

Read the following passage and prepare notes for the same:

The capitalist system has produced an almost universal ignorance of how things are made and done, whilst at the same time it has caused them to be made and done on a gigantic scale. We have to buy books and encyclopaedias to find out what it is we are doing all day; and as the books are written by people who are not doing it, and who get their information from other books, what they tell us is from twenty to fifty years out of date, and unpractical at that.

It is a funny place, this world of capitalism, with its astonishing spread of ignorance and helplessness, boasting all the time of its spread of education and enlightenment. There stand the thousands of property owners and the millions of wage workers, none of them able to make anything, none of them knowing what to do until somebody tells them, none of them having the least notion of how it is that they find people paying them money, and things in the shops to buy with it. And when they travel they are surprised to find that savages and Esquimaux and villagers who have to make everything for themselves are more intelligent and resourceful! The wonder would be if they are anything else.

- 66) Write an e-mail to your friend discussing your future plans after passing your twelfth board exams. [5]

OR

Write an e-mail to a reputed publisher from Delhi making an enquiry for the price of various books for your school library.

SECTION - E

- 67) You are a correspondent of a local daily. You are asked to cover the National Book Fair in your town for a week. Draft a [5]

final report at the end of the fair to be published in the newspaper.

OR

You are the chief editor of the Drafting Committee in your school. Write an article for the school magazine on the topic of 'Books-our infallible friends'

- 68)** The ABC pharmaceutical company is in need of an Accountant. [7]
You are Anuj/Anu from 48, Tirupati Bunglows, Ambawadi, Surat. Draft an application with bio-data giving details about you.

- 69) Write an essay in about 250 words on any one of the following topics :** [8]

- (A) Covid-19 and The World

Points : Introduction – its widespread impact – slow down economy – gap between rich and poor – positive side – better environment – health conscious – mutual understanding – combined effort to fight against it – Conclusion.

- (B) Women Empowerment

Points : Introduction – Status of women – in past and at present – changing scenario – Various efforts – participation in every field – breaking the barriers – harassment – less acceptance – need to change mentality – Conclusion.

OR

You are invited as the chief guest to the Annual Sports Meet of a reputed school. Write a speech in about 250 words going to be delivered on the occasion.

