

**SECONDARY SCHOOL EXAMINATION – 2021 (ANNUAL)**

**MODEL SET**

**ENGLISH (Optional Compulsory)**

*Sub. Code- 113*

Time: 3 Hours 15 minutes

Total No. of Questions: - 111

Full Marks- 100

**Instructions for the candidates :-**

1. Candidates are required to give answers in their own words as far as practicable.
2. Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.
3. While answering the questions, candidates should adhere to the word limit as far as practicable.
4. 15 minutes of extra time has been allotted for the candidate to read the questions and follow the instructions carefully.
5. All questions are compulsory.
6. Use of any electronic device is strictly prohibited.
7. This question paper is divided into two sections – Section-A and Section-B.
8. In Section – A, there are 100 objective type questions, each carrying 1 mark. Out of 100 questions, you have to attempt only 50. In case more than 50 questions are answered, only the first 50 answers will be evaluated. Darken the circle with blue/ black ball pen against the correct option on OMR Answer Sheet provided to you. Do not use

whitener/liquid/blade/nail, etc on OMR Answer Sheet, otherwise the result will be treated invalid.

9. Section- B has Descriptive Type Questions comprising 2 prose passages of 7 marks each and one extract from Poetry of 6 marks for comprehension. Apart from these, there are 4 questions on writing skills, each of 5 marks. Each question has an alternative option. There are 10 short answer type questions of 2 marks each out of which you have to answer any five.

### SECTION- A

#### Objective Type Questions

Question No. 1 to 100 have four options out of which only one is correct. You have to attempt only 50 questions. You have to mark your selected option on the OMR Answer Sheet. You have to attempt only 50 questions. (50x1=50)

#### **Instruction: Q. No. 1 to 36 are based on prescribed texts.**

1. Toni Morrison is the author of .....  
(A) Little Girls Wiser Than Men      (B) Once Upon a Time  
(C) Gillu      (D) The Pace for Living
2. Civilization has changed and grown in .....  
(A) England      (B) America  
(C) Africa      (D) India
3. "Old woman, I hold in my hand a bird" is from :

- (A) Once Upon a Time                      (B) Me and the Ecology Bit  
(C) Gillu                                      (D) The Pace for Living
4. Slow thinkers are handicapped in the business of getting  
.....  
(A) a living                                      (B) wealth  
(C) respect                                      (D) amenities of life
5. .... has been one of the most significant developments of  
our times.  
(A) painting                                      (B) competition  
(C) agriculture                                      (D) cinema
6. The people of Burma sacrificed everything in the pursuit of a  
..... Burma.  
(A) happy                                      (B) autocratic  
(C) democratic                                      (D) monarch
7. .... is the most amazing aspect of Indian culture.  
(A) myth                                      (B) courage  
(C) vitality                                      (D) logic
8. The cinema also combines the cold ..... of science.  
(A) art                                      (B) logic  
(C) technology                                      (D) experiments
9. The speech 'The Unity of Indian Culture' has been delivered by  
.....

- (A) Toni Morrison (B) Leo Tolstoy
- (C) Aung San Sui Kyi (D) Humayun Kabir
10. One of most remarkable features of Indian culture is .....
- (A) Many religions (B) many languages
- (C) various festivals (D) spirit of underlying unity
11. The girl in 'Once upon a Time' offers bread and pieces of .....
- (A) chicken (B) fruits
- (C) cheese (D) meat
12. Aris in 'Acceptance Speech' says that the Nobel Peace Prize epitomizes the ideals of .....
- (A) democracy (B) humanism
- (C) autocracy (D) peace
13. Civilization is the organization of ..... which creates the condition of culture.
- (A) family (B) office
- (C) school (D) society
14. Who told the crowd that the two little girls were wiser than them?
- (A) a passerby (B) neighbours
- (C) Akoulya's grandmother (D) Malasha's grandfather
15. 'The splendour of your lamps; but they eclipse' ..... is from :
- (A) Polythene Bag (B) God Made the Country

- (C) Thinner than a Crescent      (D) The Empty Heart
16. The poet in 'Ode to Solitude' wants to live unseen and .....
- (A) unknown      (B) quietly  
(C) unheard      (D) peacefully
17. The polythene bag does not get .....
- (A) decomposed      (B) dissolved  
(C) soiled      (D) sullied
18. 'You ask her one thing, She speaks of another' is from:
- (A) Polythene Bag      (B) Koel  
(C) The Empty Heart      (D) Thinner than a Crescent
19. 'The shades of mangoes burn!' is from :
- (A) Koel      (B) Ode on Solitude  
(C) The Empty Heart      (D) God Made the Country
20. The rich man left home because he wanted to earn more .....
- (A) knowledge      (B) respect  
(C) money      (D) gold
21. The children used to listen to Martha, lying on their .....
- (A) elbows      (B) hands  
(C) bed      (D) backs
22. The green garden ..... the Koel's heart
- (A) teases      (B) chases

- (C) mocks (D) burns
23. 'Her tears carved a river' ..... who is 'her' that the poet is referring to?
- (A) Mira (B) Radha  
(C) Rukmini (D) Laxmi
24. 'Ilantamiza' has been written by .....
- (A) Periasamy Thooran (B) Durga Prasad Panda  
(C) Vidyapati (D) Puran Singh
25. 'The sight of mango-blossoms fires me all the more!' is from .....
- (A) The Empty Heart (B) Ode on Solitude  
(C) Koel (D) Martha
26. 'Yugvani' was edited by :
- (A) Puran Singh (B) Periasamy Thooran  
(C) Alexander Pope (D) Laxmi Prasad Devkota
27. 'Quality' is about the quality of .....
- (A) boots (B) chicken  
(C) sweets (D) fruits
28. The cook in the story 'Sun and Moon' is .....
- (A) Sun (B) Minnie  
(C) Moon (D) Florie

29. The narrator in 'Love Defiled' realised that he was not .....  
enough to become an IAS officer.
- (A) intelligent (B) determined  
(C) hardworking (D) strong
30. In 'The Bet', the prisoner read only ..... after the tenth year.
- (A) Shakespeare (B) Eliot  
(C) Gita (D) The New Testament
31. The drawing room in 'Sun and Moon' was full of .....
- (A) servants (B) guests  
(C) labourers (D) priests
32. The daughter in 'Two Horizons' feels a huge ..... inside.
- (A) happiness (B) storm  
(C) emptiness (D) burden
33. Moon's shoes were ..... in colour.
- (A) black (B) brown  
(C) grey (D) white
34. The mother wants her daughter to seek ..... within herself.
- (A) solace (B) fulfilment  
(C) peace (D) happiness
35. Making shoes, according to Mr. Gessler, is a/an .....
- (A) Art (art) (B) skill  
(C) profession (D) performance

36. The terms and conditions of the bet were decided by the banker and the .....

(A) doctor

(B) lawyer

(C) cashier

(D) teacher

**Direction (37-40): Choose the correct option of the following**

37. Passive Voice of 'Can he break this stick?'

(A) Can he broken this stick?

(B) Can this stick be broken by him?

(C) He can break this stick?

(D) Stick can be broken by him?

38. Active Voice of 'I was shocked at this news'.

(A) This news shocked me.

(B) News was shocking for me.

(C) News has been shocking me. (D) Shocking was this news.

39. Passive Voice of 'Everybody knows me'.

(A) Knows me everybody.

(B) I am known by everybody.

(C) I am known to everybody.

(D) Everybody me knows.

40. Active Voice of 'The needy should be helped'.

(A) Needy must be helped.

(B) We should help the needy.

(C) Help the needy.

(D) One may help the needy.

**Direction : (41 – 44) Choose the indirect speech of the given**

**sentences :**

41. He said, "You are a great fool."



- (A) He said that he is a great fool.
- (B) He said that he was a great fool.
- (C) He said that he had been a great fool.
- (D) He says that he is a great fool.
42. He said to me, "The man will come tomorrow."
- (A) He said to me that the man can come tomorrow.
- (B) He is saying that the man would come tomorrow.
- (C) He told me that the man would come the next day.
- (D) He says that the man should come tomorrow.
43. Rita said to me, "Please help me."
- (A) Rita says to help her.
- (B) Rita ordered me to help her.
- (C) Rita asked to help her.
- (D) Rita requested me to help her.
44. He says to me, "You are my best friend."
- (A) He tells me that I am his best friend.
- (B) He says that I am going to be his best friend.
- (C) He stated that I am his best friend.
- (D) He told that I was his best friend.

**Direction (45-48) Choose the correct form of Verb :-**

45. I ..... in the morning.
- (A) walk (B) walks

- (C) walking (D) walked
46. He never ..... a lie.
- (A) telling (B) have told
- (C) will tell (D) tells
47. I ..... this place before he comes.
- (A) will leave (B) leaving
- (C) left (D) leave
48. He is ..... to buy a flat.
- (A) went (B) going
- (C) gone (D) go

**Direction (49-52) Choose the most suitable preposition :**

49. Come and sit ..... me.
- (A) with (B) for
- (C) at (D) by
50. He is bent ..... taking revenge.
- (A) to (B) on
- (C) for (D) through
51. He prohibited me ..... going to movie.
- (A) at (B) by
- (C) from (D) in
52. Hard work is key ..... success.
- (A) of (B) to

(C) from

(D) for

**Direction (53-56) Choose the correctly spelt word :**

53. (A) Progress (B) Progres  
(C) Proggres (D) Prograce
54. (A) Opportunity (B) Oporchunity  
(C) oportunity (D) Auportunity
55. (A) Addapted (B) Adipted  
(C) Adapted (D) Adiptod
56. (A) Simpathy (B) Sempathy  
(C) Simpaethy (D) Sympathy

**Direction (57-60) Choose the most suitable translation**

57. दरवाजा बंद करो।  
(A) Shut the door. (B) You shut the door.  
(C) Door be shutted. (D) Door should be shut
58. रोगी को बचाया नहीं जा सकता है।  
(A) Saved cannot the patient.  
(B) The patient cannot be saved.  
(C) Patient must be saved.  
(D) The patient would not be saved
59. सड़क के दोनों ओर पेड़ थे।  
(A) Both sides of the road were trees.  
(B) All sides of roads were trees.

- (C) Trees were there beside road.
- (D) There were trees on either side of the road.
60. हमलोग मैच जीत सकते हैं।
- (A) The matches can be won.
- (B) Matches were won.
- (C) Matches must be won.
- (D) We can win the match.
61. Who didn't dislike the rapid movement of life?
- (A) corn-merchant (B) the author
- (C) nephew of corn-merchant (D) wife of corn-merchant
62. Where was Mrs. Greene piling newspapers?
- (A) Next to her garbage bag (B) Anywhere in the campus
- (C) In the corner of the garden (D) In the flower pot
63. Which tribe did the author belong to in 'The Pace for Living'?
- (A) fast thinkers (B) steady thinkers
- (C) slow thinkers (D) lazy thinkers
64. What does Mr. Williams actually mean to say to Jim in 'Me and the Ecology Bit'?
- (A) Compost is not suitable for plants.
- (B) Compost is not environment friendly.
- (C) Compost spoils the kitchen.
- (D) Compost stinks in the whole street.

65. How many wounds did the squirrel have in 'Gillu'?
- (A) One (B) Five  
(C) Two (D) Seven
66. .... University conferred an honorary doctorate on Satyajit Ray.
- (A) Cambridge (B) Oxford  
(C) California (D) Mumbai
67. Aung San Suu Kyi is a .....
- (A) revolutionary (B) classical dancer  
(C) pro-democracy activist (D) poetess
68. When did Toni Morrison receive the Nobel Prize?
- (A) 1990 (B) 1992  
(C) 1993 (D) 1994
69. What is the name of the political party headed by Aung San Suu Kyi?
- (A) National Congress  
(B) National League for Democracy in Burma  
(C) Myanmar League  
(D) Myanmar Congress
70. .... were considered the earliest invaders of India.
- (A) Aryans (B) Turks  
(C) Greek (D) Afghans

71. Where does the koel conceal itself?
- (A) In the forest (B) In mango-leaves  
(C) In the leaves (D) In peepal-leaves
72. What does the porter's body emit?
- (A) coloured lights (B) radiation  
(C) sulphur like smell (D) fragrance
73. The author in 'Allergy' talks about different types of .....
- (A) allergies (B) doctors  
(C) medicines (D) diseases
74. 'Two Horizons' has been translated from Oriya into English by .....
- (A) Binapani Mohanty herself (B) Giridhar Jha  
(C) Jayanta Mahapatra (D) John Galsworthy
75. 'Love Defiled' is a story about the narrator and his .....
- (A) brother (B) girlfriend  
(C) father (D) sister
76. 'The Empty Heart' tells us about .....
- (A) greed (B) poverty  
(C) sickness (D) over-eating
77. In the poem "Polythene Bag", what keeps coming again and again?
- (A) Anxiety of the future (B) Comfortable feeling

- (C) Pain caused by the hurt                      (D) Fits of depression
78. Who is the author of "Little Girls Wiser Than Men"?
- (A) Bladimir Narakov                      (B) Maxim Gorki
- (C) Leo Tolstoy                      (D) Katherine Mansfield
79. According to the poet of 'God Made the Country', who made the town?
- (A) God                      (B) NGOs
- (C) Government                      (D) Man
80. According to Pope, a man is happy if he is .....
- (A) rich                      (B) contented
- (C) famous                      (D) poor
81. Which work of Premchand was banned by the British Government?
- (A) Godan                      (B) Soje Vatan
- (C) Nirmala                      (D) Gaban
82. 'It was ..... to go to him (Mr. Gessler) very often.'
- (A) not possible                      (B) occasionally possible
- (C) possible                      (D) maybe possible
83. Like a conjurer, Walter De La Mare creates an atmosphere of .....
- (A) mystery                      (B) town
- (C) school                      (D) country

84. Radha's friends were ..... about her.

- (A) angry (B) happy  
(C) worried (D) ecstatic

**Direction (85-86) Choose the correct option of the following.**

85. Passive Voice of 'When do you take milk'?

- (A) When is milk taken by you?  
(B) When has milk taken by you?  
(C) Is milk taken by you?  
(D) You have taken milk?

86. Active Voice of 'My watch was stolen'.

- (A) Stole my watch. (B) Someone stole my watch.  
(C) Watch is stolen. (D) Watch was stolen.

**Direction (87-88) Choose the indirect speech of the given**

**sentences :**

87. "Who has done this work?" said Ram to Shyam.

- (A) Ram asked Shyam who had done that work.  
(B) Ram asking Shyam who did the work.  
(C) Ram has asked Shyam about who did the work.  
(D) Ram will ask Shyam as who will do the work.

88. He said, "I like this song".

- (A) He says that he likes this song.  
(B) He said that he liked that song.



(C) He is saying that he likes this song.

(D) He may say that he likes this song.

**Direction (89-91) Choose the correct form of verb :**

89. It ..... since last evening.

(A) is raining

(B) has been raining

(C) will rain

(D) rains

90. Have you ..... her?

(A) see

(B) seen

(C) saw

(D) will see

91. I saw him ..... for you.

(A) waited

(B) will wait

(C) wait

(D) waiting

**Direction (92-94) Choose the most suitable preposition.**

92. They were invited ..... lunch

(A) of

(B) on

(C) for

(D) by

93. He is ..... his office.

(A) at

(B) in

(C) on

(D) by

94. Take care ..... your health.

(A) of

(B) with

(C) in

(D) to

**Direction (95-97) Choose the correctly spelt word.**

95. (A) Convinse (B) Cunvince  
(C) Converse (D) Convince
96. (A) Probelam (B) Problem  
(C) Prublam (D) Preblem
97. (A) Describe (B) Deescribe  
(C) Discribe (D) Daescribe

**Direction (98-100) Choose the correct translation.**

98. धार्मिक पुस्तकों का अध्ययन करो।  
(A) Studying religious books.  
(B) Books study religious.  
(C) Study religious books.  
(D) You should study religious books.
99. मोहन इतना मोटा है कि वह दौड़ नहीं सकता।  
(A) Mohan is so fat that he cannot run.  
(B) Fat is so Mohan that he can't run.  
(C) Running is difficult for Mohan.  
(D) Mohan is just fat that he cannot run.
100. अभी दो बजे हैं।  
(A) It was two o'clock.  
(B) It is two o'clock  
(C) It has been two o'clock

(D) It will be two o'clock

## **SECTION- B**

### **Descriptive Type Questions**

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

There are many kinds of fish. There are big fish, small fish, long fish and short fish. People know about 25,000 different kinds of fish. There are probably 15,000 kinds of fish that people do not know about. There are many colours of fish – red, blue, yellow and white. All fish do not eat the same things. Some fish eat flies or other bugs. Some eat plants like seaweed. Some fish eat other fish. The fastest fish can swim about 70 miles per hour. The longest fish are Sharks. Fish can see, feel and taste. They can feel pain too.

### **Questions**

- (i) How many kinds of fish do people know about? (1)
- (ii) How fast can the fastest fish swim? (2)
- (iii) Which is the largest fish? (2)
- (iv) What can fish feel? (2)

## **OR**

There was an incident which occurred during Gandhiji's first year at the High School. Mr. Giles, the Inspector had come on a visit. He set up five words as spelling exercise. One of these words was 'Kettle'. Gandhiji misspelt

it. The teacher tried to prompt Gandhiji but he would not be prompted. He would not copy the spelling. The result was that all the boys spelt it correctly except Gandhiji. He never could learn the art of copying.

**Questions**

- (i) Who was Mr. Giles? (1)
- (ii) What task was set by Mr. Giles to the students? (2)
- (iii) What did the teacher do? (2)
- (iv) What was the effect of the teacher's action on Gandhiji? (2)

2. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Trees are very essential to our environment. The most important and major component provided by the trees is oxygen. We get all the minerals and vitamins needed for our proper health and growth from the fruits and other plant products like vegetables, cereals, grains, etc. The roots of the trees prevent soil erosion.

**Questions**

- (i) Why are trees essential? (1)
- (ii) What do we get from trees? (2)
- (iii) What is the major component provided by the trees? (2)
- (iv) What do the roots of the trees prevent? (2)

**OR**

I speak with prejudice, because I belong to the tribe of slow thinkers. I am one of those who are sure to get the lowest marks in my intelligence test,

because those tests or all the ones I have come across seem to be designed to measure the speed of your mind more than anything else. Obviously, we slow thinkers are terribly handicapped in the business of getting a living. But what I am thinking about just now is not so much the practical use of one's mind as its use for enjoyment.

**Questions :**

- (i) To which tribe did the writer belong to? (1)
- (ii) How are today's intelligence tests designed? (2)
- (iii) What is the writer thinking of? (2)
- (iv) Make sentences with 'Handicapped', 'Enjoyment' (2)

3. Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow:

All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.  
Each little flower that opens,  
Each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colours  
He made their tiny wings.

**Questions**

- (i) What is 'wonderful' and 'wise'? (2)
- (ii) What makes the flower open and birds sing? (2)

(iii) Who is 'He' in the poem'?

(2)

**OR**

Not gold, but only man can make  
A people great and strong –  
Men who for truth and honour's sake  
Stand fast and suffer long  
Brave men who work while others sleep,  
Who dare while others fly –  
They build a nation's pillar deep  
And lift them to the sky

**Questions**

(i) What makes a nation great and strong? (2)

(ii) What sort of men strengthen the foundation of a nation. (2)

(iii) Who, in the opinion of the poet, are really brave? (2)

4. Answer any five of the following questions: (5x2=10)

(A) How did Gillu sustain the wounds?

(B) Who is the elderly corn-merchant?

(C) What is civilization, according to Humayun Kabir?

(D) What did Akoulya tell Malasha not to do?

(E) According to Pope, who is a happy man?

(F) How were the wings of the Koel charred?

(G) How did Martha tell her stories?

(H) Who is reigning over the rich kingdom of sleep?

(I) What did the lawyer do in the second year of imprisonment?

(J) What does the mother advise to her daughter?

5. Write a paragraph on any one of the following in about 60-70 words: (5)

(i) Covid 19 and its Impact on Society.

(ii) Your school

(iii) Unity is Strength

(iv) Women Empowerment

(v) Television

**Direction (6-11): Answer any three from Q Nos. 6 to 11 (3x5=15)**

6. You are Ravi, President of the Quiz Committee. Write a notice in about 50-60 words informing the students about a Quiz Competition on Covid 19 to be organised in your school.

7. Write a report in about 60-70 words about the Chief Minister's visit to flood-affected areas.

8. Write an application to your Principal, requesting him to provide a platform for cultural activities in the school.

9. Write a letter to your father informing him about your good result in the final examination.

10. Write a speech in about 50-70 words on 'Importance of Sanitation'.

11. Write a message in about 30-40 words to your friend asking him/her to be ready for accompanying you to market.