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General Instructions :

- i) The Question-cum-Answer Booklet consists of objective and subjective types of questions having 63 questions.
- ii) Space has been provided against each objective type question. You have to choose the correct choice and write the complete answer along with its letter in the space provided.
- iii) For subjective type questions enough space for each question has been provided. You have to answer the questions in the space.
- iv) Follow the instructions given against both the objective and subjective types of questions.
- v) Candidate should not write the answer with pencil. Answers written in pencil will not be evaluated. (Except Graphs, Diagrams & Maps)
- vi) In case of Multiple Choice, Fill in the blanks and Matching questions, scratching / rewriting / marking is not permitted, thereby rendering to disqualification for evaluation.
- vii) Candidates have extra 15 minutes for reading the question paper.
- viii) Do not write anything in the space provided in the right side margin.



I. *Four* alternatives are given for each of the following questions / incomplete statements. Only one of them is correct or most appropriate. Choose the correct alternative and write the complete answer along with its letter in the space provided against each question. 14 × 1 = 14

1. The girl saw the painter standing the torrent.

The suitable preposition to be used here is

- (A) to (B) by
(C) from (D) with.

2. We had hour of English.

The suitable article that can be used here is

- (A) the (B) a
(C) an (D) a / the.

3. Every student should have *confidence* in his abilities.

The antonym of the word italicized is

- (A) overconfident (B) diffidence
(C) confidential (D) less confidence.

4. I have some urgent work

Fill in the blank with a suitable phrase :

- (A) to look for (B) to look up
(C) to attend to (D) on account of.

5. Honour and reputation dearer than life.

The suitable verb to be filled in the blank is

- (A) are (B) have
(C) had (D) is.

6. They loved each other very much, ?

The question tag of the above is

- (A) did they (B) don't they
(C) will they (D) didn't they.

7. Choose the correct one-word medical term for the following :

Science of the structure of the human body :

- (A) Urology (B) Anatomy
(C) Panacea (D) Amnesia.



8. He worked very hard, he failed.

The appropriate conjunction that can be used here is

- (A) but (B) and
(C) so (D) since.
9. The world admires Gandhiji as a great leader.
The passive form of the sentence is
- (A) The world is admiring Gandhiji as a great leader.
(B) Gandhiji is admired as a great leader by the world.
(C) Gandhiji was admired as a great leader by the world.
(D) Gandhiji has been admired as a great leader by the world.
10. He levelled the ground and dug the earth for foundation.
This can be written in a simple sentence as
- (A) He dug the earth for foundation when he levelled the ground.
(B) He dug the earth for foundation and levelled the ground.
(C) Levelling the ground, he dug the earth for foundation.
(D) The ground was levelled and the earth was dug for foundation.
11. The teacher was *satisfied* with the performance of the students.
The suitable prefix that can be used here to form the opposite of the word italicized is
- (A) in (B) un
(C) dis (D) non.
12. Choose the pair that do not rhyme from the following :
- (A) bright-right (B) smiles-wiles
(C) stole-pole (D) see-say.
13. The meaning of the word "ponder" is to
- (A) think (B) laugh
(C) recite (D) speak.
14. My legs are pillars.
The figure of speech used here is
- (A) Personification (B) Alliteration
(C) Metaphor (D) Synecdoche.



- II. Observe the relationship in the first pair of words and complete the second pair accordingly in the following : $4 \times 1 = 4$
15. agile : active, menace :
 16. believed : belief, behaved :
 17. wear : where, year :
 18. hard : hardly, fast :
- III. Answer the following questions in a sentence each : $5 \times 1 = 5$
19. What does an advertisement aim to do ?
 20. How do you say that Coca-Cola and Pepsi have become successful in India ?
 21. What negative impact will the free market economy have on our country ?
 22. What does the poet mean by the line "The rich will make temples for Shiva" ?
 23. What are Ruskin Bond's stories based on ?
- IV. Answer the following questions in *two* or *three* sentences each : $20 \times 2 = 40$
24. Why is the torrent in the worker's paradise silent ?
 25. What is the main cause of soil erosion ?
 26. What were the most precious possessions of Jim and Della ?
 27. What are bacteria ?
 28. What message does the life of Anne carry ?
 29. Why does Jean ask Pierre to get the pie instead of taking it himself ?
 30. How was the majestic neck humbled by the hunter ?
 31. How is the human body compared to a temple ? Why is the speaker comparing the human body to a temple ?
 32. Who was Lochinvar ? Why did he ride to Netherby hall ?
 33. Why did Ulysses and his men enter the habitation of the eyelops ?
 34. Why did Buttoo revere Drona as his master ?
 35. How does Bhima ridicule Karna ?
 36. Change into indirect speech :
 "You are a very gallant man," she said, "but why are you so serious ?"



37. Combine the following sentences using *too ... to* and *so ... that ... not* :

These mangoes are very cheap. They cannot be good.

38. Change into other degrees of comparison :

Darjeeling is the most beautiful hill station in India.

39. Punctuate the following :

she wrote there are no trees to blossom and no birds because the war has destroyed them as well

40. Combine the following sentences using —

'No sooner than' and 'as soon as'.

He saw the warden. He ran away.

41. How did Ellen express her love towards Lochinvar ?

42. What happened when the speaker expressed his anger ?

43. How do hunters disturb the stones of the wall ?

V. Explain with reference to the context :

5 × 3 = 15

44. "I brought a wrong man into this paradise."

45. "Water is the basis of all life."

46. "What have I done for my country."

47. "Death's second self, that seals up all in the rest."

48. "Good fences make good neighbours."

VI. Answer the following questions in *five* or *six* sentences each :

4 × 3 = 12

49. Write the summary of the poem C.L.M.

50. What was John Silver's treacherous plan ? How did Jim come to know about it ?

51. How do you say that "The Gift of the Magi" is a suitable title for the story ?

52. Give instances to show that the narrator tried his best to impress that he was normal sighted during his encounter with the girl.



VII. Quote from memory :

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53. And it

 it was mine.

OR

The rich

.....

of gold.

VIII. Answer the following questions in *eight to ten* sentences each : 4 × 4 = 16

54. Why does Gandhi say that moral act should be done without compulsion ?

OR

How did Anne’s diary open the eyes of Germans to the viciousness of racial discrimination ?

55. How does the uncertainty and disorganisation among the ranks of the invaders add to the humour ?

OR

Write a short note on views expressed by the writer on the tragic comedy of ‘development’. Why does he call it tragic comedy ?

56. What did Drona seek from Buttoo as recompense ? What justification did Drona give for his unfair demand ?

OR

Why did Wordsworth say that his moving the boat is an act of stealth ? Why was he guilty of his act ?

57. List the values which the poet-father wants the teacher to teach his son.



- IX. 58. Write an essay on any *one* of the following topics : 1 × 5 = 5
- A visit to a historical place
 - Need to conserve water
 - Computers.

- X. 59. Imagine that you are Ramesh / Rashmi studying in Govt. High School, Vidyaranyapuram, Mysore. 5

Write a letter to your friend describing the annual day celebrations in your school.

OR

Write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper complaining about frequent power cuts in your area.

- XI. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

April 14, last year, celebrated the 200th birthday of the man known as the father of the modern fairy tales, Hans Christian Anderson. He is the author of more than 150 stories. "The Little Mermaid", "The Ugly Duckling" and "The Emperor's New Clothes" to name a popular few.

Anderson was born in the slums of the Danish town of Odense. His father was a poor shoe-maker and his mother was a washerwoman. Anderson's parents played a very important role in paving the way for his career as a storyteller. His father died when he was 11 and he was forced to go to work. He apprenticed as a tailor and a weaver and also worked at a tobacco factory.

At the age of 17, Anderson got an opportunity to go to grammar school when one of the directors of the Royal Theatre gave him a grant. Five years later, he gained admission to Copenhagen University where he completed his studies.

Questions :

- Who is known as the father of modern fairy tales ? 1
- Name Anderson's popular short stories. 1
- Why was his childhood unhappy ? 2
- When and how did Anderson get an opportunity to go to grammar school ? 1

