INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This question paper has 35 questions in three sections (A, B, and C).
2. Answer all the questions on a separate answer book supplied to you.
3. 15 minutes of time is allowed exclusively for reading the question paper and 3.00 hours for writing the answers.
4. Answer all the questions of section-B (Grammar & Vocabulary) in the same order at one place in your answer book.

SECTION A: READING COMPREHENSION

Question (1-5) : Read the given passage carefully.

However, I finally did decide to go. I did not have much to carry by way of luggage, just a trunk. Ours is a hilly terrain, without any motorable roads – and there is no certainty that we are ever going to have any roads. In any case, while coming home we do not carry bedding. Besides, I had come home this time round for a special purpose to get married. My parents had arranged my marriage, according to the customs of our tribal society. Time flew, and five months into my marriage, I realized it. Initially I thought of extending my leave – even taking unpaid leave. But after some dilly-dallying, I finally decided against it because marriage had increased my responsibilities and I had got into debt.

Now answer the following questions :

1. Who is ‘I’ in the above passage?
2. Why did he struggle to take decision to go?
3. His marriage has increased his......
   a. responsibilities.
   b. salary
   c. height

[The Journey] 
5 X 2 = 10M
4. He had come home this time for special purpose:............
   a. to construct a house.
   b. to get married.
   c. to take rest.
5. After some dilly-dallying, I finally decided... What does ‘dilly-dallying’ mean?
   a. Taking a long time to make decision.
   b. Taking a short time to make a decision.
   c. Taking unpaid leave.

Questions (6-8): Read the following stanza carefully:

Out in the east the jungle listens
The tigress, plaintive, growls in pain
The great trees hear her breathing, shaking
Inside her still, the new ones wait,
These cubs could be the last ones ever
To freely live and roam and mate.
Our grand child knows the tiger never
Or will the dreamer wake? [Or Will The Dreamer Wake]

Choose the correct answers to the following questions: 3 x 2 = 6M

6. The tigress is plaintive and growls in pain because.....
   a. She is the last tigress alive.
   b. She suffers from hunger.
   c. She is about to give birth to her cubs.

7. ‘These cubs could be the last ones ever’...means
   a. They may be killed.
   b. They may become extinct.
   c. They may leave the forest.

8. Who are the ‘dreamers’ mentioned in the above stanza?
   a. Tigers.
   b. Human beings.
   c. All the animals in the forest.
Questions (9-10) : Read the following conversation carefully

Set backs are inevitable in life. A set back can act as a driving force and also teach us humility. In grief you will find courage and faith to overcome the setback.

[Every success story is also a story of great failures]

Now, answer the following questions: 2 X 2 = 4M

9. A set back can act as......
   a. A driving force.
   b. A driving license.
   c. A dividing force.

10. What do we learn from a set back?
   a. Driving.
   b. Honesty.
   c. Humility.

Questions (11-15): Read the following table.

The marks obtained by seven students in six different subjects in an examination are given below.

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Now answer the following questions: 5 X 2 = 10

11. What does the table represent?
12. Who got the highest total marks?
13. The second highest total marks are scored by...
14. Ammaji got lowest marks in ------
   a. Telugu  b. Maths  c. Hindi

15. Which is the correct statement among the following sentences?
   a. Mighty got highest marks in Telugu.
   b. John and Kiran got equal marks in English.
   c. Only two children got 98 marks in Maths.

SECTION B: GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY

NOTE: Answer all the questions of Section - B (Grammar & Vocabulary) in the same order at one place in your answer book.

16. Combine the following sentences using ‘Which’.

   The silk sarees are made in Benaras.
   They are popular all over the world.

17. Change the following sentence into Passive voice

   I started this campaign to restore the vegetation.

18. Combine the following sentences using ‘As’

   I had to do a bit of catching up. I walked fast.

19. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions given in the brackets

   a. Perhaps, she’s got her eye ________ (in, on, at) the bureau as well.
   b. Have you got the receipt ________ (of, for, off) the premium he paid this morning.

20. Fill in the blanks with suitable forms of the verbs given in the brackets.

   The electrician ________ (restore) the power before the audience ________ (leave).

21. Your friend does not wash his/her hands before taking his / her lunch. You think it is not a good habit.

   Advise him/ her to wash hands before taking lunch.

22. Change the following into polite request
You to the shopkeeper: “Give me a pair of gloves”.

23. What do the following sentences mean?
Choose the right answer and write it in your answer book. 2 x 1 = 2M

i) Are you quite well?
   a) Question   b) Order
   c) Enquiring   d) Request

ii) I’m sure. I’m sorry for it.
   a) Suggestion   b) apologizing
   c) Proposing   d) giving information

24. Read the following paragraph and write the Synonym of the underlined word choosing from the words given in the box. 4 x 1 = 4M

\[\text{movement, difficult, danger, freedom, modest, acquired}\]

‘It was the best decision they could have made for me’, adds Nick, who later achieved (a) a degree in Financial Planning and Real Estate. It was very hard (b) but it gave me independence (c). Nick, who was teased and bullied, had an electric wheel chair for mobility (d).

25. Read the paragraph and match the words under ‘\(A\)’ with their Antonyms under B 4 x 1 = 4M

He quoted Khalil Gibran to my hesitant (a) mother, “your children are not your children. They are the sons and daughters of life’s (b) longing for itself. They come (c) through you but not from you. You may give them your love (d) but not your thoughts, for they have their own thoughts”.

\| ‘A’ | ‘B’ |
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26. Fill in the blanks with right form of the word given
in the brackets.  

One of the biggest (a) (transform/transformation/transformation), that I saw was that (b) (able/ability) of an ordinary illiterate woman to get to understand and be able to (c) (planting/plants) trees that in five or ten years (d) (become/became) big trees.

27. Complete the following spellings with “ou, ia, ie, ee”  

He did his best to break social barriers so that people from varying backgrounds could mingle easily.

28. Complete the word with correct suffix given in the brackets.  

I saw my father gradually receding into the distance.

29. Find the wrongly spelt word and write the correct spelling.  

(a) begining source account peace  
(b) mountains aquire ordinary pattern

30. Read the following entry of the word given below and answer the questions that follow.  

Simultaneously /saɪməˈlɛntɪəslɪ/  
Adverb – happening or being done at exactly the same time.  

Adjective - simultaneous

a. What part of speech is simultaneously?  
b. Give the adjective of simultaneously.

31. Arrange the following words under the correct headings  

Weekend, blue sky, lawn tennis, bedroom, however, post office, air force, footprint

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32. Match the following one word substitutes in ‘part A’ with the meanings in ‘part B’. (Write only the numbers and their corresponding letter in your answer book).

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<td>2. Dentist</td>
<td>B. a scientist who studies animals.</td>
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<td>3. Physicist</td>
<td>C. study of the environment.</td>
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<td>4. zoologist</td>
<td>D. a life history written by oneself.</td>
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<td>E. a doctor who treats teeth.</td>
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<td>F. a person who is above hundred years.</td>
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SECTION C – (CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS)

33. Q. 33 Answer any one of the following 10M

(a) In the lesson “The Dear Departed”:

Victoria: Mother, I don’t think Grandpa went to pay his insurance this morning.

Mrs. Slater: he went out.

Victoria: yes, but he didn’t go into the town. He met Old Mr. Tattersall down the street and they went off past St. Philip’s Church.

Mrs. Jordan: Something tells me he’s not paid it.

Ben: The drunken old beggar!

Victoria overheard her uncle blaming her grandfather, Abel. She was hurt and shared her feelings with her friend Alice. Write a possible conversation between Victoria and Alice.

(OR)
You have studied that Nick being a disabled person, despite the risk of being bullied, his parents insisted on his attending mainstream school. As a result he was deeply depressed and tried to commit suicide. Imagine you were Nick and write a diary entry of that incident.

34. Answer any one of the following 10M
(a) Your school conducted a cultural week in which the students from other schools also participated. Your school stood first and you are adjudged as the best performer. Write a letter to your friend Vinod who is residing in Tirupathi describing the cultural week, how you performed, awards won by you and your school.

(OR)
(b) You know that Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was a social reformer and a politician. He was the chairman of the drafting committee of the Indian constitution. Now write a brief biographical sketch using the facts given below.

Birth : 14 April, 1891
Place of Birth : Mhow in Central Provinces (currently Madhya Pradesh).
Father : Ramji Maloji Sakpal.
Mother : Bhimbai Murbadkar.
Wife : Rambai Ambedkar.
Education : Elphinstone High School, University of Bombay, Columbia University, London School of Economics.

Associations : Samata Sainik Dal; Independent Labour Party; Scheduled Castes Federation.

Political Ideology : Right winged; Equalism.
Religious Beliefs: a Hindu by birth; a Buddhist from 1956 onwards.


Death: 6 December 1956.

35. Answer any one of the following. 10M

a. Read the following passage carefully focusing on the underlined parts.

After school, (A) we went home and told our respected parents about the incident. Lakshmana Sastry (B) summoned the teacher, and in our presence, told the teacher that he should not spread the poison of social inequality and communal intolerance in the minds of innocent children. (C) He bluntly (D) asked the teacher either to apologize or quit the school and the island. Not only did the teacher regret his behavior (E) but the strong sense of conviction Lakshmana sastry conveyed ultimately reformed this young teacher.

Now frame ‘Wh’ questions to get the underlined parts as answers.

b. Study the following Tree diagram and write a paragraph describing the information in it.

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LITERATURE

PROSE

FICTION

NON FICTION

VERSE

POETRY

DRAMA

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