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PART - I

Answer **all** the questions. **20x1=20**

Choose the appropriate synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.

1. The common link of friendship was snapped.

(a) deprived (b) fixed (c) isolated (d) cut

2. I would have taken fifty farthings.

(a) Sticks (b) Paisa (c) Guineas (d) Lashes

3. We should also realize that a continuous stream of men and women endowed with the spirit of service.

(a) gifted (b) educated (c) trained (d) developed

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the underlined words in the following sentences.

4. The other Indian boxers also performed exceptionally.

(a) moderately (b) remarkably
(c) differently (d) furiously

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5. The staff looked so prosperous and unsympathetic.

(a) lavish (b) poor (c) affluent (d) wealthy

6. Society has got a right to expect an adequate return from you.

(a) insufficient (b) average (c) enormous (d) plentiful

7. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word 'moral'.

(a) - ity (b) - ism (c) - er (d) - ous

8. Choose the word that can be added after 'show' to form a compound word.

(a) dog (b) song (c) board (d) case

9. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation GDP.

(a) Gross Domestic Product
(b) Goods Distribution Process
(c) Goods Diminishing Price
(d) Gross Domestic Procedure

10. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the root word 'audible'.

(a) dis (b) in (c) il (d) un

11. Replace the underlined word in the sentence with a phrasal verb.

Come what may, I will Support you.

(a) stand up (b) stand above (c) stand out (d) stand by

12. Choose the right meaning of the idiomatic expression in the sentence below.

That was a nice pickle to be in.

(a) challenging situation (b) pleasant situation
(c) dramatic situation (d) confused situation

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13. A doctrine that advocates equal rights for women is _____.

(a) feminism (b) idealism (c) heroism (d) egocentrism

14. Choose the meaning of the idiom, "alarm bells ringing".

(a) praising someone (b) disagreeing

(c) celebrating victory (d) sign of something going wrong

15. Replace the phrasal verb in the sentence with the suitable single word.

The manager promised to look into when we pointed out an error in our bill.

(a) investigate (b) settle

(c) calculate (d) change

16. Fill in the blank with the appropriate determiner.

The teacher had _____ idea about the problem.

(a) this (b) that (c) any (d) no

17. Add a suitable question tag to the following statement.

They can substantially reduce the cost of mobility and congestion, _____ ?

(a) can they (b) couldn't they

(c) shouldn't they (d) can't they

18. Fill in the blank with a suitable preposition.

We strolled _____ the river.

(a) across (b) below (c) along (d) on

19. "Ornithology" is the study of _____.

(a) birds (b) dog training (c) bird's eggs (d) fish

20. Fill in the blank with a suitable option.

I have a friend _____ cat is annoying.

(a) whose (b) that (c) which (d) who

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PART - II

SECTION - 1

Answer **any four** of the following. **4x2=8**

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer **any four** of the following.

21. "They used to laugh with their hearts
And laugh with their eyes":
(a) Who does the word 'they' refer to ?
(b) Explain "Laugh with their eyes".

22. "Well, ego it might be pleased enough
But zealous athletes play so rough".....
(a) Why are athletes rough during play ?
(b) Pick out the rhyming words in the given lines.

23. "Most of all, I want to relearn
How to laugh"
(a) Why does the poet want to relearn how to laugh ?
(b) Whom does the poet want to relearn from ?

24. "When officialdom demands,
Is there a doctor in the stands ?"
(a) Why are doctors called from stands by the sponsors ?
(b) Why does the poet make such an observation ?

25. "Defeat we repel, courage our fort";
(a) How do we react to defeat ?
(b) What is considered as our stronghold ?

26. "Comes at the last, and with a little pin
Bores through his castle wall, and farewell king !"
(a) How is the castle pierced ?
(b) Pick out the words in alliteration in the above lines.

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SECTION - 2

Answer **any three** of the following questions. **3x2=6**

27. Report the following dialogue :
Satish : Do you know that Chandar arrives tomorrow ?
Hari : No, when did his holidays begin ?
Satish : Last Week.

28. Having resigned his job, he started a company of his own.
(Rewrite as a Complex Sentence)

29. Hussain and Victor were too young to work in the industry.
(Rewrite as a Compound Sentence)

30. Obey the rules. Otherwise you will be fined.
(Combine using "If")

PART - III

SECTION - 1

Explain **any two** of the following with reference to the context. **2x3=6**

31. ". . . show me how
I used to laugh and smile"

32. "Honour is a property, common to all :
In dignity and pride no one need to be poor".

33. "I live with bread like you, feel want,
Taste grief, need friends."

SECTION - 2

Answer **any two** of the following questions in not more than **30** words. **2x3=6**

34. What was the happiest time of the day for grandmother ?

35. Why did the narrator visit Christie's ?

36. In what ways have Universities improved the society ?

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SECTION - 3

Answer **any three** of the following questions. **3x3=9**

37. Write an e-mail to your uncle thanking him for the gift that he had sent from abroad.

38. You are the Sports Secretary of your School. Prepare a Notice for the School notice board asking the students of Class XI to give their names for participation in various events to be held on the Annual Sports Day of your School.

39. Build a dialogue of minimum 3 exchanges between a student and a librarian, asking for a membership form.

40. Write an article in about 150 words for your School magazine about the importance of clean drinking water for a healthy life.

PART - IV

41. Answer the following in a paragraph of about **150** words. **7x5=35**

(a) Describe Mary Kom's personal experiences during her first International Championship match from the time of selection to winning the medal.

OR

(b) Narrate the circumstances that led to the narrator getting into a tight corner, by his own folly.

42. Answer the following in a paragraph of about **150** words.

(a) The poet does not wish to exchange places with the athletes. How does he justify his views ?

OR

(b) In what way is every hillock similar to Everest ?

43. Write a paragraph of about **150** words by developing the following hints.

(a) The narrator went to the photographer - photographer looked grave - remarked he didn't like the face - the narrator angry - called on Saturday - the photographer made changes - photograph looked different - narrator was frustrated.

OR

(b) A dentist's clinic - tensed patients - one woman - showed photographs - Joe - first patient - dentist arrived - nurse took - hammer - large pair of pliers - loud screech - patients left - one by one - Joe's wife wept - dentist located the key - Joe tells - woman with photographs - called in - all others had left.

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44. Write a summary (or) make notes of the following passage.

In India, about 55 percent of the forest area, which is predominantly covered by deciduous forests, is prone to fires every year causing loss of ₹ 440 crores. It is estimated that proportion of forest areas prone to forest fires annually ranges from 33 percent in some of the states to over 90 percent in other states (FSI 1987). Despite the natural fires, the major sources of forest fires in India are anthropogenic, which include shifting cultivation practices, controlled burning, deforestation, fire wood burning and others.

Forest fires in the country are mostly experienced during summer months from April to June. The extent and type of fire vary from state to state based on the types of forests as well as the climatic conditions or delay in the arrival of the monsoon etc. Forest fires not only cause loss of biodiversity, loss of valuable timber, degradation of natural forests and water catchment areas but also result in depletion of Carbon sinks, reduction in water table level, global warming, ozone layer depletion and also loss of agricultural production.

45. (a) Write a letter to the Editor of a Newspaper on the dangerous effects of rash driving.

OR

(b) Write a letter to the Commissioner of the Corporation Complaining about the sanitary conditions of the streets in your locality.

46. (a) Read the following sentences, spot the error in them and correct them.

(i) A ship with goods drowned in the Indian Ocean.

(ii) We discussed about the problem so thoroughly.

(iii) If I had known this yesterday I will have helped him.

(iv) Rahim has been winning a prize since five years consecutively.

(v) I purchased furnitures from the shop.

OR

(b) Fill in the blanks as instructed.

(i) To bake a _____ shaped cake, you'll need some _____. (flour, flower)
(use the right word in the blanks)

(ii) Raghav _____ take tea, but now he doesn't.
(use a semi modal verb)

(iii) When I called on her, she _____ (sing).
(use the correct verb form)

(iv) If I were you I _____ (take) it easy.
(Fill in the blank with a conditional clause)

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47. (a) Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words.

To most of us the most fascinating thing about spiders is the web they spin. First of all, spiders are not insects. They belong to a group known as 'archnids' and differ from insects in such a way that they have eight legs, eight eyes, wings and only two parts in their bodies.

They can live on any type of climate and are found in every part of the world. They can live on water, on the ground, depending on the species. They vary in size from eight centimeters to that which are so small, that they are barely visible. Some spiders can live for a whole year without water. One of the spiders, the large tarantula, eats birds, and can live for as long as fifteen years. Some on the other hand, live just for a year.

The silk in spider's web is secreted in abdominal glands. The silk is forced through long tiny holes from the spinning organs at the tip of the abdomen. It comes out as a liquid which becomes solid on contact with air.

Questions :

(i) Why are spiders not considered insects ?

(ii) What is the most fascinating aspect of spiders ?

(iii) Describe the special features of tarantulas.

(iv) How does the silk in the spider's abdomen change into a solid state ?

(v) Pick out a word that is equivalent to 'produced'.

OR

(b) Write a paragraph on 'The person whom I admire the most' in about 150 words.

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