

Language – Part II – English

Time Allowed : 2.30 Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 90

- Instructions :** (1) Check the question paper for fairness of printing. If there is any lack of fairness, inform the Hall Supervisor immediately.
- (2) Use **Blue** or **Black** ink to write and underline.

Part - I

I. Answer **all** the questions :

20x1=20

Choose the **correct** synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

1. and I do claim to represent him in all his ruggedness.
(a) toughness (b) weakness (c) brightness (d) seriousness
2. The greatest disadvantage for me was my loss of appetite.
(a) hope (b) memory (c) alertness (d) hunger
3. that we regard a man who does not possess it as eccentric.
(a) modern (b) weary (c) normal (d) weird

Choose the **correct** antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

4. Her happiest moments were with her sparrows whom she fed with frivolous rebukes.
(a) serious (b) harmless (c) funny (d) decent
5. "Don't look so doleful, girls."
(a) peaceful (b) joyful (c) doubtful (d) powerful

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6. There are, it must be admitted, some matters
- (a) replied (b) denied (c) argued (d) accepted
7. Select the correct expansion of "HDTV".
- (a) High Definition Television (b) Heavy Dielectric Television
(c) Heavy Distributary Television (d) Highly Decentralized Television
8. Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'mantel' to form a compound word.
- (a) cover (b) cloth (c) picture (d) piece
9. Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word 'regular'.
- (a) -ance (b) -able (c) -ful (d) -ity
10. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence.
Nalini is a bonafide student of the Madras University.
- (a) confident (b) punctual (c) brilliant (d) genuine
11. Choose the right definition for the given term "Photophobia".
- (a) Fear of rain (b) Fear of flight
(c) Fear of light (d) Fear of pictures
12. Add suitable question tag to the following statement.
Many women candidates attended the interview, _____ ?
- (a) haven't they (b) shouldn't they (c) don't they (d) didn't they
13. Replace the underlined word with a phrasal verb.
I couldn't understand what you meant.
- (a) break out (b) find out (c) iron out (d) figure out
14. Add a suitable prefix to the root word - "Polite".
- (a) im- (b) non- (c) un- (d) anti-

15. One who studies the human mind and behaviour is called a _____.
- (a) physicist (b) psychologist
(c) pathologist (d) physiologist
16. Fill in the blank with the suitable preposition.
The angry champion broke the crystal cup _____ million pieces.
- (a) into (b) with (c) against (d) upon
17. Choose the clipped form of the word "dormitory".
- (a) dormy (b) dory (c) dorm (d) dormit
18. Substitute the underlined word with the appropriate polite alternative.
The gentleman in the black suit is a barber.
- (a) hair clipper (b) hair remover
(c) hair splitter (d) hair dresser
19. Substitute the phrasal verb in the sentence with a single word.
Never put off until tomorrow what you can do today.
- (a) continue (b) finish (c) halt (d) postpone
20. Fill in the blank with a suitable relative pronoun.
The books _____ are bought are often not read.
- (a) that (b) what (c) who (d) whose

Part - II

II. Answer any seven of the following :

7x2=14

(i) Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following : 4x2=8

21. "Feel at home," "come again."

They say

- (a) Who are 'they' ?
(b) Do 'they' really mean it ?

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22. "And reassure myself anew
That you are not me and I'm not you."
(a) Who does the poet refer to as "you" ?
(b) Who does the poet reassure ?
23. "I heard a thousand blended notes
while in a grove, I sat reclined."
(a) What is meant by "a thousand blended notes" ?
(b) Where is the poet sitting ?
24. "He sways his head from side to side
with movement like a snake."
(a) Who is "he" ?
(b) Mention the figure of speech used here.
25. "In dignity and pride no one need to be poor."
(a) What are the two things mentioned here as our strength ?
(b) Is the tone of the line positive or negative ?
26. "For you have but mistook me all this while"
(a) How is the speaker mistaken by the people ?
(b) Write the words in alliteration.
- (ii) Do as directed (Any three). 3x2=6
27. Report the following dialogue :
Conductor : Where do you want to go ?
Passenger : I'm going to Coimbatore. Give me a ticket, please.
28. Tom didn't know Spanish. He didn't get the job. (Combine using 'If').
29. Rewrite the sentence making an inversion in the conditional clause.
If you were a King, you would know the difficulties.
30. The food was cheap. It was very tasty.
(Form a simple sentence using "In spite of").

Part - III

III. Answer any seven of the following :

7x3=21

(i) Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.

2x3=6

31. "The birds around me hopp'd and play'd
Their thoughts I cannot measure."

32. "How can you say to me, I am a King?"

33. "I am just glad as glad can be
That I am not them, that they are not me."

(ii) Answer any two of the following briefly.

2x3=6

34. How do the chemists make fortunes out of the medicine people forget to take ?

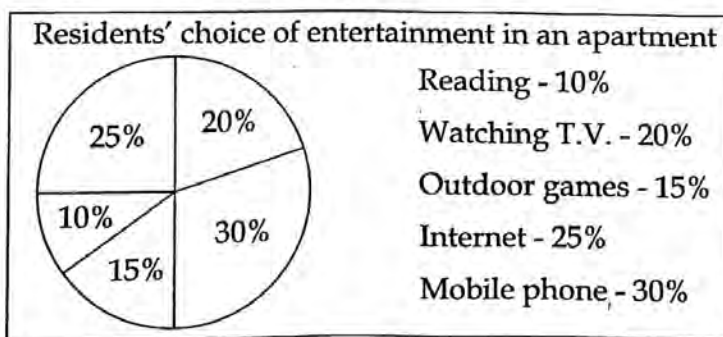
35. Why did Mary Kom think she should not return empty-handed ?

36. What is the difference between a physical and mental tight corner ?

(iii) Answer any three of the following :

3x3=9

37. Study the Pie-Chart and answer the questions that follow :



Questions :

- (A) What is the most sought after entertainment activity in the apartment ?
 (B) Name the activity preferred by the least number of people.
 (C) Which activity is chosen by half the number of people who use mobile phones ?

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38. Build a dialogue of minimum 3 exchanges between a fruit vendor and a customer.
39. Describe the process of opening a bank account.
40. Complete the proverbs using the words given below.
- (a) Waste not, _____ not. (fight, want, earn)
- (b) _____ waters run deep. (still, flowing, stagnant)
- (c) One _____ doesn't make a garland. (pearl, bead, flower)

Part - IV

IV. Answer the following :

7x5=35

41. Answer in a paragraph on **any one** of the following in about 150 words.
- (a) What does Robert Lynd try to convey in his essay on 'Forgetting' ?
- (b) How do Universities mould students, besides imparting academic education to them ?
42. Answer in a paragraph on **any one** of the following in about 150 words.
- (a) Write an appreciation of the poem "The Hollow Crown".
- (b) How does Gabriel Okara criticise the modern life in his poem "Once upon a Time" ?
43. Write a paragraph (150 words) by developing the following hints.
- Miss Meadows, a music teacher - gets a letter - feels upset - Fiance not interested - reflects her gloom on students - changes the happy song to a sad one - Headmistress calls - delivers a Telegram - Fiance agrees to wedding - Meadows happy - changes the song again to a cheerful one.

OR

Leacock - goes to a studio - The photographer dislikes Leacock's face - passes several comments - Leacock gets irritated the photo - taken - wants to see the proof - visits the studio again - The photo is edited - help of technology - Leacock upset over the changes - calls it worthless - leaves in anger.

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

The Chinese were the first to make gun powder, invent the magnetic compass and introduce to the world the art of making paper. About 2000 years ago, the Chinese made gun powder by mixing sulphur and saltpetre. The mixture exploded when set on fire. The Chinese were the first to find out the fact that a narrow magnet floating in a bowl of water would always point to the North. This discovery led to the invention of magnetic compass. The device helped the sailors to find out the direction when they were out of sight of land. The Chinese also invented the art of making paper during the 2nd Century. Soon, the art of making paper using vegetable pulp reached Arabia, Spain and Europe. In course of time, paper factories came into existence. The fourth invention of the Chinese was the art of printing. Before this invention, books were written by hand. The Chinese invented the art of printing with movable types. With this invention, reading and learning became easy to common people as they were able to print books in large numbers.

45. Read the following advertisement and prepare a Bio-data considering yourself fulfilling the conditions mentioned.

(Write XXXX for the name and YYYY for the address)

WANTED

Qualified nurses for a multi-speciality hospital, Attractive salary, Flexible working hours, Age below 30.

Apply to
Post Box No : 3210,
C/o The Times of India,
Chennai - 600 002

OR

Write a paragraph of 150 words on the advantages and disadvantages of "Online Shopping".

46. (i) Read the following sentences, spot the errors and rewrite the sentences correctly.
- (a) The colour of the curtains are very bright.
 - (b) I saw an uniformed soldier hiding behind the wall.
 - (c) Nobody knows why was he killed.
 - (d) My older brother is living abroad.
 - (e) They are discussing about their picnic.

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(ii) Fill in the blanks suitably.

- (a) Have you ever _____ such a beautiful _____ ? (scene, seen)
 (b) How _____ you disobey my words ? (use a quasi modal verb)
 (c) What is done _____ not be undone. (use a modal verb)
 (d) Take an umbrella with you _____ you will get wet.
 (use a suitable link word)

47. Identify each of the following sentences with the fields given below :

- (a) In a democracy, we have the right to criticise anyone.
 (b) The price of vegetables shot up suddenly.
 (c) The passenger sat down to check his e-mails.
 (d) It was a thrilling neck and neck finish.
 (e) The programme will be telecast next week.

(Commerce, Sports, Literature, Computer, Politics, Media, Agriculture)

OR

Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words :

After the meal, the way we place our eating tools, our knives, forks, spoons or chopsticks is also culturally defined. In Australia, when we have finished eating the main course, we put the knife and fork across the middle of the plate parallel to each other with the handles facing towards us. When we are resting during the meal, we place the knife and fork across each other in the middle of the plate. In China, the chopsticks go crossways across the top of the plate with the handles facing towards the right. In Indonesia, some people place the fork and spoon like the Australians do but not all. Indonesia is a multi-cultural society, so there may be a number of customs practised within the country.

Questions :

- (a) Which table manners reveals one's culture ?
 (b) Is table manners important ? Why ?
 (c) What do you know about the table manners observed by the Australians ?
 (d) How do the Chinese practise their table manners ?
 (e) Explain the Indonesian culture.