

SSLC GOVERNMENT MODEL QUESTION PAPER – 2- 2019-2020**ENGLISH**

Time allowed: 15 minutes + 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 100

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 to write or underline.

Part I

i) Answer all the questions.

ii) Choose the most suitable answer and write the code with the correspond answer.

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words:

14x1=14

- How *cranky* he was.
 - normal
 - strange
 - abnormal
 - happy
- His parents circled around raising a proud *cackle*.
 - sharp noise
 - blunt noise
 - high pitch
 - shout
- Trying to *revive* old childhood memories may prove disappointing.
 - review
 - revitalize
 - restore
 - rescue

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words:

- We look forward to a more inclusive way of learning, instead of the *cloistered* existence.
 - enclosed
 - detached
 - opened
 - united.
- ‘Nothing’ he said *gruffly*.
 - happily
 - roughly
 - sadly
 - plainly.
- Boost the *morale* in the country.
 - fear
 - attitude
 - mettle
 - confidence
- Choose the correct plural form of *lorry* from the following.
 - lorrys
 - lorry
 - lories
 - lorries
- Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word *fashion* ____
 - ly
 - able
 - ty
 - tion
- Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation *MRI*.
 - Magnified Resonance Imaging
 - Magnified Reasoning Imagery
 - Magnetic Resonance Imaging
 - Magnetic Resonance Imagery.
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate word given below.
It helps to _____ the calories.
 - warm up
 - stretch out
 - put on
 - burn off
- Choose the suitable option to pair with *green* to form a compound word.
 - dress
 - house
 - glass
 - pen
- Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below:
There was pin drop silence _____ the room.
 - in
 - to
 - near
 - with
- Complete the following sentence by using the most appropriate form of the tense given below.
The medal _____ in the attic for twenty-nine long years.
 - hide
 - hidden
 - had hidden
 - had been hidden
- Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.
_____ did Muthu solve the problem?
 - When
 - But
 - How
 - Whenever

Part II

10x2=20

Section – I (PROSE)

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.

3x2=6

- How was the young seagull’s first attempt to fly?
- Why did Herman and the author slam the doors?
- What does the term circumnavigation mean?
- What was Franz sorry for?

Section – II (POETRY)

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any THREE of the following. 3x2=6

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| <p>19. <i>Let me but live my life from year to year,
With forward face and unreluctant soul;</i>
a) Whom does the word 'me' refer to?
b) What kind of life does the poet want to lead?</p> <p>20. <i>Strong is she in her faith and belief.
"Persistence is the key to everything," says she</i>
a) What is she strong about?
b) How does she deal with the adversities in life?</p> | <p>21. <i>At last by starvation and famine made bold,
All dripping with wet, and all trembling with cold,</i>
a) What made the cricket bold?
b) Why did the cricket drip and tremble?</p> <p>22. <i>What happened inside that house?
I really don't know
I guess it will always be a mystery</i>
a) Does the poet know what happened in the house?
b) What is the mystery about the house?</p> |
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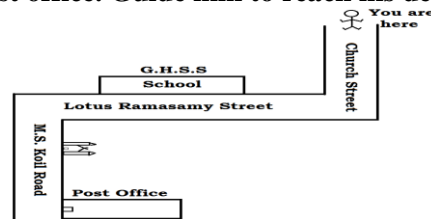
Section – III (Grammar)

Answer any THREE of the following. 3x2=6

23. Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice:
The doctor kindly warned me.
24. Rewrite using indirect speech.
He said, "I am glad they are strong".
25. Punctuate the following sentence.
no its the inhabitants corley replied
26. Transform the following sentence into a compound sentence.
If Ryan reads more, he will become proficient in the language.
27. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences:
a) beckoning/calling/They were/to him/shrilly b) amazed/ how/to see/I was/well/I/it/understood.

Section – IV (WRITING) Compulsory

28. A stranger wants to visit the post office. Guide him to reach his destination. 1x2=2



Part III

10x5=50

Section – I-Prose

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines. 2x5=10

29. Describe the struggle underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.
30. 'Technology is a boon to the disabled' - Justify.
31. How did Watson help his friend to arrest the criminal?
32. We appreciate the value of something only when we are about to lose it. Explain this with reference to the French language and Mr. Hamel.

Section – II

Answer any Two of the following in utmost 10 lines:

33. 'Some cricket have four legs and some have two'.
Elucidate this statement from the poet's point of view.
34. What is the central theme of the poem 'No men are foreign'?

35. Read the following stanza and answer the question given below:

*We can pull and haul and push and lift and drive,
We can print and plough and weave and heat and light,
We can run and race and swim and fly and dive,
We can see and hear and count and read and write!*

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| <p>i) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.(2)</p> <p>ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.(1)</p> <p>iii) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza. (1)</p> <p>v) Pick out the alliterating words in the second line (1)</p> |
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36. Paraphrase the following stanza.

They growl at the rain and they growl at the sun;
 In fact, their growling is never done.
 And if everything pleased them, there isn't a doubt
 They'd growl that they'd nothing to grumble about!

Section – III**Answer any ONE of the following:****1x5=5****37. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.**

- vi) The letter read that the box contained jewels.
- vii) The uncle had collected precious stones.
- viii) The narrator was sent for, by his uncle when he was on his deathbed.
- ix) His uncle announced Tom as his heir and wanted him to pray for his funeral.
- x) Leaving an iron box for Tom, his uncle instructed him not to shake the box.

38. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

A second inventor, using as a basis some old experiments that dated from the 19th century, had the idea of moving a whole city in a single block. He suggested, as a demonstration, the town of Saaf, situated fifteen miles from the sea; after conveying it on rails down to the shore, he would transform it into a seaside resort. Francis Bennett, went to stretch himself out in an easy-chair in the audition-room. Then, pressing a button, he was put into communication with the Central Concert. After so busy a day, what a charm he found in the works of our greatest masters, based on a series of delicious harmonico- algebraic formulae! During his meal, phonotelephotic communication had been set up with Paris.

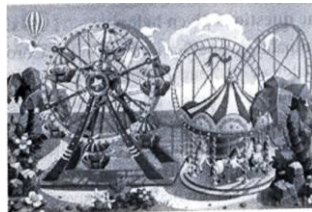
- i) In which century were the old experiments dated? And what was it?
- ii) Where was Saaf situated
- iii) What was the proposal awaiting for Saaf?
- iv) How and to whom was Francis Bennett connected?
- v) Pick out any two words that refer to technology.

Section – IV- Writing**Answer any FOUR of the following.****4x5=20****39. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.**

Service camp - get exciting - discount in spare parts - avail- free service - camp - visit your – nearest - Laptop World.

40. Write a letter to a Sports Store ordering for Sports goods for your school.

41. You are Divya/ Dinesh school pupil leader of GHSS, Pattukottai. Your Principal has requested you to inform the students about a trip to Yelagiri. Prepare a notice giving the details such as date of journey, mode of transportation, amount, dress code etc.

42. Look at the following picture and express your views on it in about five sentences.**43. Make notes or write a summary of the following passage:**

Elephant is the biggest land animal found on earth. It is a wild animal but after giving training it, becomes a useful animal for man. It is a huge animal and its colour is grey. All the four legs of an elephant are as huge as thick pillars of a huge building. It has two big ears, which go on moving to and fro like a big fan. Its eyes are small. It has a short tail but its trunk is long. It is a wonderful thing. It can pick up even a small needle with its help. The elephant has long white tusks. The elephant is perhaps the strongest animal in the world. It is very costly too. Elephants live in herds. They eat small twigs, straw and wild fruits. A pet elephant also eats bananas, bread and sugarcane. Elephants are pure vegetarians. They are very useful for all. They are used in felling trees, lifting logs, pushing them into rivers. In olden time kings and dukes used to keep elephants for wars and battles. In circus also elephants play very important roles. Even after its death an elephant is useful. Bangles are made of its bones and tusks. Its flesh is also eaten. Thus an elephant is really a boon for mankind.

44. Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences.

- Myself I am Reyna.
- He do not have a music system.
- I cannot cope up with the pressure.
- What is the time in your watch?
- Our classroom is in the second floor.

Section – V Memoriter (Compulsory)**45. Quote from memory: O'er roughwill be the best.****1x5=5****Part IV (Supplementary)****46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.****1x8=8**

The emperor of Shining- orders-old people- to be deserted in valley-farmer-very sad-carries old mother- to Obatsuyama- leaves mother- mother- arranges bed to sleep- mother warns-son of danger in forest-asks to follow twigs-son moved – love and affection-carries mother back home-hides-at home- emperor order –rope of ashes-farmer worried- old mother helps- farmer-prepare rope of ashes- emperor surprised-farmer-tells the truth-emperor ashamed of order- calls back the order- old people restored to Shining. (OR)

Dr. Ashok - entrusts his - pet bird - Dr. Krishnan - children excited of his entry - it can speak - 21- African languages - Zigzag - sleeps endlessly-with heavy snore- no peace at – home- Mrs. Krishnan - not happy - shouts and asks for solutions - Dr. Krishnan writes - to Ashok- finding solutions - no reply - Dr. Krishnan - takes Zigzag to clinic- turn of event - Zigzag-takes- care of - the orderliness -clinic- very quiet-all surprised- zigzag commands - Dr. Krishnan happy- finds- secret-Zigzag-must be engaged-if not he sleeps- family is happy with his presence.

Part V – (General Comprehension)**47. Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below:****4x2=8**

Chennai, formerly **Madras** is the, capital of Tamilnadu, in southern India, on the Coromandel Coast of the Bay of Bengal. Known as the “Gateway to South India,” Chennai is a major administrative and cultural centre. Armenian and Portuguese traders were living in the Santhome area of what is now present-day Chennai before the arrival of the British in 1639. Madras was the shortened name of the fishing village Madraspatnam, where the British East India Company built a fort and factory (trading post) in 1639-40. At that time, the weaving of cotton fabrics was a local industry, and the English invited the weavers and native merchants to settle near the fort. By 1652 the factory of Fort St. George was recognized as a presidency (an administrative unit governed by a president), and between 1668 and 1749 the company expanded its control. About 1801, by which time the last of the local rulers had been shorn of his powers, the English had become masters of southern India, Madras had become their administrative and commercial capital. The government of Tamil Nadu officially changed the name of the city of Chennai in 1996.

Questions:

- Who were living in the Santhome area?
- When did the British arrive at Chennai?
- What was the local industry in Chennai?
- When did the English become masters of southern India? (OR)

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below:*Allow yourself to dream**And when you do dream big**Allow yourself to learn**And when you do learn all you can**Allow yourself to be determined**And when you do you will find you will succeed**Allow yourself to believe in yourself**And when you do you will find self confidence**Allow yourself love**And when you do you will find love in return**Allow yourself to be happy**And when you do you will influence others around you.**Allow yourself to laugh**And when you do share your laughter**Allow yourself to set goals**And when you do reward yourself as you move forward**Allow yourself to lend a helping hand**And when you do a hand will help you.**Allow yourself relaxation**And when you do you will find new ideas.**Allow yourself to be positive**And when you do life will get easier.***Questions:**

- How does the poet want the reader to dream?
- When must we reward ourselves?
- What will happen when we are determined?
- According to the poet when does life get easier?

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ANSWER KEY - 2

PART - I

Synonyms

1. b) strange 2. a) sharp noise 3. b) revitalize

Antonyms

4. c) opened 5. a) happily 6. a) fear
7. d) lorries 8. b) able 9. Magnetic Resonance Imaging
10. a) warm up 11. b) house 12. a) in
13. d) had been hidden 14. b) But,

PART – II

SECTION – I

15. The young seagull's first attempt to fly was a **failure**, because he was **afraid to fly**. He failed to muster up courage to fly. Instead of flapping his wings and flying away, he **ran back to the little hole**.
16. Herman and the author slammed the door because of their **fear of ghost**.
17. Circumnavigation means **to travel around the world in a ship**.
18. Franz was sorry for **not learning his lessons**.

SECTION – II

19. a) The word 'me' refers to **the poet**.
b) The poet wants to lead **a joyful life** with forward face and unreluctant soul.
20. a) She is strong **in her faith and belief**.
b) She deals the adversities **with persistence**.
21. a) **Starvation and famine** made the cricket bold.
b) Because **the weather was wet and cold**.
22. a) **No**, the poet does not know what happened in the house.
b) **No one knows and understands what is happening inside the house**. It is the mystery.

SECTION - III

23. I was kindly warned by the doctor.
24. He said that he was glad they were strong.
25. **“No it's the inhabitants”**, Corley replied.
26. Ryan must read more then only he will become proficient in the language.
27. a) They were beckoning to him, calling Shrilly.
b) I was amazed to see how well I understood it.

SECTION - IV

28. Start from here. Walk along the Church Street. Turn right. Walk along the Lotus Ramasamy Street. Then turn left. Reach M.S.Koil Road and walk straight. Skip the mosque and you find post office on your left side.

PART – III

SECTION – I

29. The struggle underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying:
30. 'Technology is a boon to the disabled'

31. Watson's help to his friend to arrest the criminal:
32. We appreciate the value of something only when we are about to lose it. We can understand this statement during Franco-Prussian war when the French language and Mr. Harmel's teaching was prohibited.....

SECTION – II

33. 'Some cricket have four legs and some have two'. The poet's point of view is
34. The central theme of the poem 'No men are foreign' is ...
35. i) Rhyming words: drive-dive, light-write
ii) Rhyme scheme: a b a b
iii) Figure of speech: Personification
iv) **print, plough**
36. **Poem:** The Grumble Family; **Poet:** L.M. Montgomery
The members of the grumble family grumble at the rain, they grumble at the sun. Their complaining tone has no end. If everything is all right, without doubt they will grumble that there is nothing to growl about.

SECTION – III

37. i) The narrator was sent for, by his uncle when he was on his deathbed.
ii) The uncle had collected precious stones.
iii) His uncle announced Tom as his heir and wanted him to pray for his funeral.
iv) The letter read that the box contained jewels.
v) Leaving an iron box for Tom, his uncle instructed him not to shake the box.
38. i) The old experiments were dated **from the 19th century**. It was the **idea of moving a whole city** in a single block.
ii) Saaf was situated **15 miles from the sea**.
iii) The **town of Saaf**, situated fifteen miles from the sea; after **conveying it on rails** down to the shore, the inventor would **transform it into a seaside resort**. This was the proposal.
iv) **Pressing a button**, Francis Bennett was put into communication with the **Central Concert**.
v) Harmonico – algebraic formulae.
Phonotelephotic communication

SECTION - IV

39. **Advertisement – Make your own**
40. Xxx,
GHSS
Yyy.
25 January 2020
The Manager,
Jai Sports Stores,
Trichy – 2.

Sub: Ordering of Sports goods – regarding.

I am the school pupil leader of G.H.S.S, Yyy.
We are in urgent need of the following sports goods for our school.

1. Volley Ball - 4 No's
2. Ring Ball - 5 No's
3. Cricket Ball - 3 No's
4. Cricket Bat - 3 No's
5. Skipping Rope - 10 No's
6. Basket Ball - 2 No's

Please send the quotation and we will send the money through Demand Draft. We prefer SLR Lorry Service to deliver our goods.

Thank you

Yours faithfully,
Xxx.

41. **NOTICE**
GOVERNMENT HIGHER SECONDARY
SCHOOL, PATTUKOTTAI
Trip to Yelagiri

12 January 2020

All the students are informed that our school Headmaster has arranged for a trip to Yelagiri for three days. Interested students are requested to pay Rs.600 on or before 15 January 2020. Our tourist bus will start at 6.00 a.m., on 18 January 2020. Please bring casuals and sweaters.

Divya/Dinesh
SPL.

42. This picture shows an amusement park. Here are many giant wheels. Lot of people are there. There is a Nitrogen balloon flying in the sky. Children are playing happily.

43. **Notes: ELEPHANT**

Elephant ...

- biggest, strongest wild animal
- grey in colour
- four legs as pillars
- two big ears
- small eyes
- short tail
- long trunk
- long white tusks

Life....

- live in herds
- vegetarians

Used in

- felling trees, lifting logs
- after death - bangles from bones and tusks
- flesh is also eaten
- boon for mankind

Summary:

ELEPHANT

Rough copy:

Elephant is the biggest and strongest wild animal. It is grey in colour. It has four legs, two big ears, small eyes, a short tail, a long trunk and long white tusks. It lives in herds. Elephants are vegetarians. They are used in felling trees and lifting logs. They were used in wars and battles in olden times. Even after death, their bones and tusks are used to make bangles. Their flesh is also eaten. Thus, it is a boon for mankind.

Fair copy:

ELEPHANT

Elephant is the biggest and strongest wild animal. It is grey in colour. It has four legs, two big ears, small eyes, a short tail, a long trunk and long white tusks. It lives in herds. Elephants are vegetarians. They are used in felling trees and lifting logs. Even after death, their bones and tusks are used to make bangles. Their flesh is also eaten. Thus, it is a boon for mankind.

Words in the passage-214 ; Words in my summary-72

44. i) I am Reyna.
ii) He **does not** have a music system.
iii) I cannot cope the pressure.
iv) What is the time **by** your watch?
v) Our classroom is **on** the second floor.

SECTION - V

45. O'er rough or smooth, the journey will be joy:
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy,
New friendship, high adventure, and a crown,
My heart will keep the courage of the quest,
And hope the road's last turn will be the best.

PART - IV

46. The Aged Mother (OR) Zigzag - Summary

PART - V

47. i) **Armenian and Portuguese traders** were living in the Santhome area.
ii) The British arrived at Chennai **in 1639**.
iii) The local industry in Chennai was **Cotton Mill** (the weaving of cotton fabrics).
iv) The English became masters of southern India **about 1801**.

(OR)

- i) The poet wants the reader to dream **big**.
ii) We must reward ourselves, **when we move forward to our goals**.
iii) When we are determined, **we will succeed our goals**.
iv) According to the poet, life gets easier **when we are positive**.