

SSLC GOVERNMENT MODEL QUESTION PAPER - 1 - 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 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 italicized words:

14x1=14

1. It was the *gaunt* face staring from the bed that brought chill to my heart.

- a) fat b) round c) lean d) sad

2. When school began, there was a *bustle*.

- a) rush b) change c) noise d) confusion

3. They continue to *grapple* with the changes.

- a) settle b) fight c) move d) stop

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicized words:

4. The project was taken in *consonance* with the National Policy.

- a) agreement b) constant c) disagreement d) harmony

5. The sun was *soothing*.

- a) pleasing b) relaxing c) disturbing d) burning.

6. She picked up a shoe and *whammed* it through the window.

- a) tapped b) threw c) struck d) pulled

7. Choose the correct plural form of *loaf* from the following.

- a) loafs b) loaves c) loavs d) loafes

8. Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word _____ *natural*.

- a) ir b) mis c) super d) il

9. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation *IMF*

- a) Indian Monetary Fund b) International Mutual Fund
c) International Monetary Fund d) Indian Mutual Fund.

10. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate answer given below:

There will be a _____ in the office next week.

- a) warm up b) run out c) shut down d) take off

11. Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word *alarm* to form a compound word.

- a) sound b) clock c) time d) watch

12. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below:

He was _____ the sea now.

- a) on b) to c) near d) with

13. Complete the following sentence by using the most appropriate form of the tense given below:

The governor was _____ at the wit of the youth.

- a) pleases b) pleasing c) pleased d) please.

14. Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives.

_____ I looked up, I saw Mr. Hamel sitting motionless.

- a) When b) But c) How d) Whenever

Part II

2x10=20

Section – I (PROSE)

Answer any three (3) of the following questions in a sentence or two.

3x2=6

15. What are the benefits of the internet to the common man?

16. Who used zither and how?

17. Who arrested Smith? What were the charges against him?

18. What prompted the seagull to fly finally?

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>They, too, aware of sun and air and water,
Are fed by peaceful harvests, by war's long winter starv'd</i>
a) What is common for all of us?
b) Mention the season referred here.</p> <p>20. <i>Began to complain when he found that, at home,
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.</i>
a) Who began to complain and for what?
b) Why was his cupboard empty?</p> | <p>21. <i>There's a family nobody likes to meet:
They live, it is said, on Complaining Street</i>
a) Where does the family live?
b) Why do you think the street is named as 'Complaining Street'?</p> <p>22. <i>Some water, coal, and oil is all we ask,
And a thousandth of an inch to give us play:</i>
a) Who does 'we' refer to?
b) What do they ask for?</p> |
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Section – III (GRAMMAR)

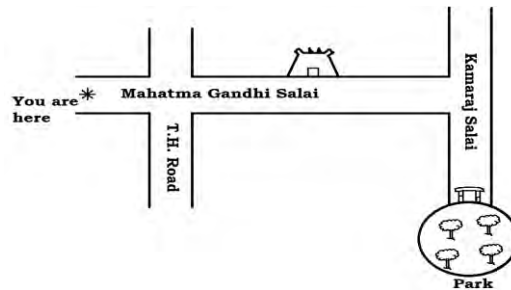
Answer any THREE of the following. 3x2=6

23. Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice:
I noticed a sudden change in Aditya's face.
24. Rewrite using indirect speech.
"How did he get it?", he asked.
25. Punctuate the following sentence.
stand back stand right back he cried
26. Transform the following sentence into a simple sentence.
He is sick but he attends the rehearsal.
27. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences:
a) he sent / At the / for me / I was a / time / clerk. b) slept/ But / on / Zigzag / undisturbed.

Section – IV

Answer the following question. 1x2=2

28. A stranger wants to go to the park. Guide him to reach his destination.



Part III

10x5=50

Section I- (Prose)

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

29. Narrate the extensive search operation made by the policemen in the house, in the story 'The night the ghost got in'?
30. Highlight the factors responsible for the all-women Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition.
31. Give an account of the last day of Mr. Hamel in school.
32. Give a brief character sketch of Sasanka Sanyal.

Section – II (Poetry)

Answer any Two of the following in utmost 10 lines:

33. Write a paragraph on 'The Grumble Family' and their attitude towards other folks.
34. What feelings are evoked in us by the machines in the poem 'The secret of machines'?
35. Read the following stanza and answer the question given below:

*A silly young cricket, accustomed to sing
Through the warm, sunny months of gay summer and spring,
Began to complain when he found that, at home,
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.*

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| <p>i) Pick out 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>iv) Pick out the alliterating words in the second line.(1)</p> |
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36. Paraphrase the following stanza.

I drive past the house almost every day.
 The house seems to be a bit brighter
 On this warm summer day in May
 It plays with your mind.
 To me I say, it is one of a kind.

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

- i) He took care of the orderliness in the clinic.
- ii) Zigzag was of a great trouble in the house.
- iii) Dr. Krishna was surprised of the sudden change in Zigzag.
- iv) Gone was Zigzag's bored and grumpy expression.
- v) Dr. Krishnan took him to the clinic.

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

I was just thirty-seven when my Uncle Philip died. A week before that event he sent for me; and here let me say that I had never set eyes on him. He hated my mother, but I do not know why. She told me long before his last illness that I need expect nothing from my father's brother. He was an inventor, an able and ingenious mechanical engineer, and had much money by his improvement in turbine-wheels. He was a bachelor; lived alone, cooked his own meals, and collected precious stones, especially rubies and pearls. From the time he made his first money, he had this mania. As he grew richer, the desire to possess rare and costly gems became stronger. When he bought a new stone, he carried it in his pocket for a month and now and then took it out and looked at it. Then it was added to the collection in his safe at the trust company.

- i) How old was the narrator when his uncle died?
- ii) Had the narrator seen his uncle before? Give lines from the passage that support your answer.
- iii) What had the narrator's mother told him of his father's brother?
- iv) What do you know about Uncle Philip?
- v) What did the uncle do, when he bought a new stone?

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

Tasty and hygienic – homemade taste – 200 varieties to select- purely vegetarian - Mani Vilas - V.E. Road - Tuticorin.

40. Write a letter to the Headmistress/Headmaster of your school requesting for a Bonafide certificate.

41. You are Kiran/Keerthi, school pupil leader of GHSS, Karur. Prepare a notice on behalf of your school inviting all students of your school to take part in the Science club inauguration, which is to be held in your school on the 22nd of this month.

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:**

A forest is known as an intricate ecosystem that is densely covered with trees, shrubs, grasses and mosses. The trees and other plants that form a part of the forests create an environment that is healthy for the breeding several species of animals. These are thus a habitat for a large variety of wild animals and birds. Different types of forests grow in different parts of the world. These are mainly divided into three categories- Rain Forests, Coniferous Forests and Deciduous Forests. Forests form an important part of the ecological system mainly because they aids majorly in biodiversity. A large number of birds and animals survive only because of the presence of forests. However, unfortunately forests are being cut at a rapid speed to serve various purposes. The increase in the demand of various commodities derived from the trees that grow in different forests and the need to accommodate the growing population are among the major reasons for deforestation. It is important to realize that forests are essential for the survival of the mankind. Forests help in purifying the atmosphere, aid in climate control, act as natural watershed and are a source of livelihood for many people. Forests must thus be preserved. Deforestation is a global issue and effective measures must be taken to control this issue.

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

- a) Every students like the teacher. b) I look forward to meet you. c) Where I can find a bank?
 d) My flight departs in 5 a.m. e) I live in United States.

Section – V Memoriter (Compulsory)**45. Quote from memory:** Remember no men air and water.**1x5=5****Part IV (Supplementary)****46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.****1x8=8**

- a) Prospero lived - daughter Miranda - island cave - help of Ariel - raised storm – Antonio, King of Naples - Ferdinand - ship wrecked – Prospero commands Ariel – bring Ferdinand – to cave - Miranda - sees first time - human being- Ferdinand surprised to see - Miranda - Prospero - engages - Ferdinand - hard tasks - Miranda - pleads with father – Prospero chides Miranda - Ariel brings King of Naples – Antonio - to Prospero – they realize – mistake – repent – restores the dukedom to Prospero – Prospero agrees – marriage of Miranda and Ferdinand. **(OR)**
- b) China faces – great war – king commands men from – every house – take part – war – Mulan father weak – Mulan – wears – armour – sword – goes for war – disguised man – fights bravely promotes chief- king happy – fever sweeps – war camp – Mulan affected – fever – Doctor finds Mulan woman – soldiers – resent to the fact – Mulan doesn't mind – fights – wins war for China - King rewards her – offers position at palace – Mulan rejects – goes back – village – royal gifts people happy – Mulan.

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

The term junk food means a food that do not do good to the body health in anyway. It is less nutritional and harmful to the body systems. Most of junk foods contain high level of saturated fats, sugar, salt and bad cholesterol, which are toxin to the health. They become lack of dietary fibers so easily get involve in causing constipation and other digestive disorders. Junk foods have gained so much popularity of the nice taste and easy to cook. There are many readymade junk foods available in the market packed in the polybags. Most of the people are depended on such readymade foods because of their busy schedule or they do not know to cook food at home. The consumption of junk food all over the world is increasing day by day, which is not good for the future. People of all age groups like to eat junk food and they generally chose to eat whenever they enjoy special time with family like birthday party, marriage anniversary, etc. They easily become used to taking soft drinks, wafers, chips, noodles, burgers, pizza, French fries, Chinese dishes, and other varieties of fast food available in the market.

- Questions:** a. What is the meaning of the term Junk food? b. What does junk food contain?
 c. When do people prefer junk food? d. List some of the junk foods you like. **(OR)**

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below:

*Twinkle, twinkle, little star ,
 How I wonder what you are.
 Up above the world so high,
 Like a diamond in the sky.
 Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
 How I wonder what you are!*

*When the blazing sun is gone,
 When he nothing shines upon,
 Then you show your little light,
 Twinkle, twinkle, all the night.
 Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
 How I wonder what you are!*

*Then the traveler in the dark
 Thanks you for your tiny spark;
 How could he see where to go?
 If you did not twinkle so.
 Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
 How I wonder what you are!*

*In the dark blue sky you keep,
 While you through my window peep,
 And you never shut your eye,
 Till the sun is in the sky,
 Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
 How I wonder what you are!*

- Questions:** a. What does the poet wonder about? b. When does the stars show up in the sky?
 c. What does the traveler thank for? d. When does the star shut its eyes?

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ANSWER KEY - 1

PART - I

Synonyms

1. c) lean 2. a) rush 3. b) fight

Antonyms

4. c) disagreement 5. d) burning 6. d) pulled
7. b) loaves 8. c) super 9. International Monetary Fund
10. c) shut down 11. b) clock 12. c) near
13. b) pleasing 14. a) when

PART – II

SECTION – I

15. The internet **allows the users to get access to all sorts of information**. A person can **communicate face to face** with his friend anywhere in this world. One can **send money** to foreign country, **reserve tickets** for their journey, **pay bills** and **apply for overseas studies** from any place through internet.
16. The narrator's pet **Guinea pig** used the zither. It used **to sleep on it**.
17. **Inspector Morton** arrested Smith. He arrested Smith on the charges of **murdering his nephew**, Victor Savage and **his attempt to kill Holmes** in the same way.
18. The mother seagull showed a piece of fish to the hungry young seagull. But he couldn't reach the food as it was out of reach. Maddened by hunger, he dived at the fish. Thus, **its natural bird instinct** and **its urge for survival** prompted the young seagull to fly, finally.

SECTION – II

19. a) **Sun, air and water** are common for all of us.
b) The **winter** season is referred here.
20. a) **The cricket** complained that **its cupboard was empty**.
b) Because the **cricket did not save any food** or grains for the winter.
21. a) The family lives **in Complaining street**.
b) I think all **the people would be complaining always**.
22. a) 'We' refers **to the machines**
b) They ask for **water, coal, and oil**.

SECTION - III

23. A sudden change in Aditya's face was noticed by me.
24. He asked how he had got it.
25. **“ Stand back! Stand right-back! ”**, he cried.
26. In spite of his sickness, he attends the rehearsal./
In spite of his being sick, he attends the rehearsal./
Despite his sickness, he attends the rehearsal.
27. a) At the time he sent for me, I was a clerk.
b) But Zigzag slept on undisturbed.

SECTION - IV

28. Start from here. Walk along the Mahatma Gandhi Salai. Don't turn. Skip the temple on your left. You will reach Kamaraj Salai. Turn left. Walk few steps. You will find the park.

PART – III

SECTION – I

29. Search operation made by the policemen in the house, in the story 'The night the ghost got in'.
30. The factors responsible for the all-women Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition.
31. The last day of Mr. Hamel in school.
32. Character sketch of Sasanka Sanyal

SECTION - II

33. 'The Grumble Family' and their attitude towards other folks.
34. The feelings that are evoked in us by the machines in the poem 'The secret of machines'
35. i) Rhyming words : sing – spring; home – come.
ii) Rhyme scheme : a a b b
iii) Figure of speech : Personification
iv) Alliterating words : *sunny-summer*
36. Poem: The House on Elm Street ; Poet: Nadia Bush
The poet drives past the house almost every day. On a warm summer day in May, the house seems to be brighter. The house disturbs the poet's mind. It is a unique house different from all other house.

SECTION - III

37. i) Zigzag was of a great trouble in the house.
ii) Dr. Krishnan took him to the clinic.
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iv) He took care of the orderliness in the clinic.
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38. i) The narrator was just **thirty-seven**, when his Uncle Philip died.
ii) **No**, the narrator had not seen his uncle before. A week before that event he sent for me; and here let me say that **I had never set eyes on him**.
iii) He was an **inventor, an able and ingenious mechanical engineer**, and had much money by his improvement in turbine-wheels.
iv) He was a **bachelor; lived alone, cooked his own meals, and collected precious stones**, especially rubies and pearls. From the time he made his first money, he had this mania.
v) He **carried it in his pocket for a month** and now and then took it out and looked at it. Then it was added to the collection in his safe at the trust company.

SECTION - IV**39. Advertisement: Make your own**

40. Xxx
Yyy

25 January 2020

The Headmaster,
G.H.S.S,
Yyy.

Sub: Request for a Bonafide certificate – regarding.
Respected Sir,

I am an old student of this school in 2018-19 Academic year. I would like to join C.A., Fundamental Course. I have to submit my Bonafide certificate to the institution. So, I request you to provide me Bonafide certificate. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,
Xxx.

41.

NOTICE

Government Higher Secondary School, Yyy.

Inaugural Function of Science club

All the students are informed that Science department is going to inaugurate 'Science Club' in our school. Professor Dr. Josan Ranjith is the chief guest of the function. All are invited to attend the function at 'Prayer Hall' on 15th July Friday at 3.00 p.m.

Kiran/Keerthi,
SPL.

42. The picture must be a park. Children are playing there. A girl is swinging. A boy is running. Two boys are playing football. Two girls are talking. Two girls are playing see-saw.

43. Notes: FORESTS

A forest

- intricate ecosystem
- habitat for wild animals, birds

Three categories

- Rain Forests,
- Coniferous Forests
- Deciduous Forests.

Uses of forests

- Important part of ecological system
- Aid in biodiversity and climate control
- Purify atmosphere,
- Act as natural watershed

Major reasons for deforestation.

- Demand of commodities from trees

Forests

- must be preserved.

Summary**Rough copy: FORESTS**

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Fair copy: FORESTS

A forest is known as an intricate Ecosystem. It is habitat for wild animals. The three type of forests are Rain forest, Coniferous forest and Deciduous forests. Forests form an important part of the ecological system. They aid in biodiversity and climate control. They purify atmosphere and act as natural watershed. Demand of commodities from trees is the major reason for deforestation. Forests must be preserved.

Words in the passage-217 ; Words in my summary-66

44. a) Every **student** likes the teacher.
b) I look forward to **meeting** you.
c) Where **can I** find a bank?
d) My flight departs **at** 5 a.m.
e) I live in **the** United States.

SECTION - V

45. Remember, no men are strange, no countries foreign
Beneath all uniforms, a single body breathes
Like ours: the land our brothers walk upon
Is earth like this, in which we all shall lie.
They, too, aware of sun and air and water.

PART - IV

46. The Tempest (OR) The story of Mulan - Summary

PART - V

47. i) A **food** that **do not do good** to the body health is Junk food. It is less nutritional and harmful to the body systems.

ii) Most of the junk foods **contain high level of saturated fats, sugar, salt** and bad cholesterol which are toxin to the health.

iii) **People of all age groups** like to eat junk food. They generally chose to eat whenever they enjoy special time with family like **birthday party, marriage anniversary**, etc.

iv) **Soft drinks, wafers, chips**, noodles, burgers, pizza, French fries, Chinese dishes. (OR)

i) **The little star looks like a diamond in the sky.**
The poet wonders about it.

ii) The stars show up in the sky, **after the sunset.**

iii) The traveler thanks for **the (Pole) star's spark.**

iv) It shuts its eyes **till the Sun is in the sky.**