

SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER - 2023

SECOND YEAR ENGLISH QUESTION PAPER - 2023

Score-80

Time 2.30 Hrs

1. "God has given me two ears to listen to others. I hear them out with sympathy and without any judgement."
 - a) Who is the 'I' referred to here? (1)
 - b) What are qualities of an ideal listener? (2)
 - c) Identify the lesson? (1)
2. Stammer is the silence that falls
between the word and its meaning,
just as lameness is the
silence that falls between
the word and the deed.
 - a) Identify the poem. (1)
 - b) Which is the figure of speech used in the third line? (1)
 - c) How does the poet compare stammer and lameness? (2)
3. Your friend is suffering from severe toothache. Write 2 pieces of advice that you would give. (2)
 - a) You should
 - b) Why don't you
4. Change into reported speech: (2)
John: Did he offer you money, dad?
Baldwin: Yes, a hundred thousand dollars.
5. What was the prayer made by the mother, in the poem Any Woman? (2)

6. Satchidanandan in the poem 'Stammer' establishes, stammer is our mother tongue. Prepare two arguments either in favour or against. (2)

7. Edit the passage: (4)

My inspiration come from my childhood experiences and observations of nature at rural Kenya. As I am growing up, I witnessed forests being cleared and replaced with commercial plantations.

8. Prepare a Character Sketch of Ratna? (4)

9. Arm in arm the champions had already left the ring. Comment on the friendship portrayed in the story, Amigo Brothers. (4)

10. "I will go to my grave clean." The integrity of Baldwin's character is evident in the play, The Hour of Truth. Now, prepare a character sketch of Robert Baldwin. (4)

11. Elaborate the idea given in the lines: (4)

I am the house from floor to roof,
I deck the walls, the board I spread;
I spin the curtains, warp and woof,
And shake the down to be their bed.

12. Ashapura Debi compares women to match boxes. Do you think this comparison is apt? Express your views in a paragraph. (4)

13. You were inspired by the efforts taken by Shaheen Mistri to empower the slum children. You would like to appreciate her actions. Draft an email to Shaheen Mistri. (4)

14. In the poem 'Rice' the speaker mourns over the loss of our heritage and culture. Prepare a blog entry as the speaker.
(6)

15. Wangari Maathai is the first African woman to receive the Nobel Prize for Peace. Prepare a profile using the hints given below.
(6)

Born: 1 April, 1940, Kenya

Founder: Green Belt Movement

Career: Environmental activist, Kenyan politician, writer

Awards: Right Livelihood Award (1984), Nobel Peace Prize (2004)

Contributions: Contributed to sustainable development, democracy and peace

16. As a part of international Women's Day celebration, the English club in your school has decided to conduct a panel discussion on the topic- "It is essential that women be ready to dare the difference". Imagine you are one among the panellists, express your views on the topic.
(6)
17. It is time to start thinking about entrepreneurship as a career as it can be an important tool to tackle unemployment in the country. Write a letter to the editor of a leading newspaper, highlighting the scope of entrepreneurship in the present and future.
(6)
18. Imagine that Irfan Alam is visiting your school after attending the Presidential Entrepreneurship Summit at the United States. Suppose you get a chance to interview him. Prepare 3 questions and possible responses.
(6)
19. A seminar on co-existence of man and nature for sustainable living was conducted in your school in connection with the world environment day. Prepare a report of the seminar to be published in your school magazine.
(6)

20. Drug abuse is a menace amongst the teenagers today. Prepare an essay on the serious consequences of drug abuse in our society.
(8)

21. Imagine the teacher in the story crime and punishment desires to quit from his present post as he comes across an advertisement. Read the advertisement and prepare a job application with resume. (8)

a reputed school in Chennai invites applications for the post of High School Assistant in mathematics.

Eligibility:

- Graduation with 60% marks
- Computer knowledge
- B Ed degree
- Good communication skill in English

* Minimum salary 30,000 per month

* Accommodation will be free

22. Prepare a comparison of the given poem with the Mending Wall:
(8)

Neighbours

My neighbour has a field of wheat
And I a rood of vine;
And he will give me bread to eat,
And I will give him wine.
And so we are a jolly pair,
Contentedly unwed,
Singing with supper as we share
Red wine and crusty bread.
Now venison is mighty meat
And so is trout and hare;

A mallard duck is sweet to eat
And quail is dainty fare.
But such are foods for festal day,
And we will not repine
While on the table we can lay
Crisp bread and rosy wine.

A will to till one's own of soil
Is worth a kingly crown,
With bread to feed the belly need,
And wine to wash_it down.
So with my neighbour I rejoice
That we are fit and free,
Content to praise with lusty voice
Bread, Wine and Liberty.

Robert Service

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SUBJECT: ENGLISH

BATCH 4:

1. NISHA, GHSS IRUMBUZHI
2. FASEELA, GBHSS MALAPPURAM
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4. BABY MUHEERA, GRHSS KOTTAKKAL
5. SMITA K, PMSAMAHSS CHEMMANKADAVU
6. VRINDA, GHSS POOKOTTUR
7. HARSHA, ST. GEMMAS HSS MALAPPURAM