



PART - I

- Note: (i) Answer all the questions. 14X1=14
 (ii) Choose the most appropriate answer from the given four alternatives and write the option code and the corresponding answer.

Choose the appropriate synonym for the italicised words:

- He did not look very *prosperous*.
 a) emitting b) flourishing c) lively d) shining
- I hope you'll be *rescued* very soon.
 a) scared b) abandoned c) saved d) caught
- It meant I had to hit every ball along the ground to *survive* those intense fifteen minutes.
 a) enliven b) surplus c) progress d) endure

Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicised words:

- He is *interrupted* by the ring of the telephone.
 a) stopped b) aided c) irritated d) flooded
- Sachin is the only player to *complete* more than 30,000 runs in international cricket.
 a) incomplete b) finish c) score d) continue
- She held in her outstretched hand, a *rusty* old medal.
 a) rare b) ancient c) shiny d) shaky
- Choose the correct plural form of *emergency* from the following:
 a) emergencys b) emergencies c) emergency d) emergencia
- Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word '*farsighted*'.
 a) -ness b) -tion c) -al d) -ity

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

- Junior Regional Congress
- Justice Rendering Court
- Junior Red Company
- Junior Red Cross

10. Fill in the blank with the correct homophone.

Your case will be _____ (*herd / heard*) this afternoon.

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

- light
- beam
- night
- battery

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

I was studying _____ the morning. a) during b) in c) on d) by

13. Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate adjective from the options given below.

Muthu comes _____ than Raman to buy raw men's pearls.

- early
- earliest
- earlier
- earlier

14. Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate prepositional phrase given below.

_____ fire, break the glass and escape.

- In case of
- In spite of
- On behalf of
- Instead of

Part - II (Section - 1)

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two. 3 x 2 = 6

- Why were they going to sleep in the attic?
- Who is the founder of Junior Red Cross?
- What was the local superstition about trees?
- What did serve as a very personal coaching manual to Sachin?

Section - 2

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three of the following.

19. My little horse must think it queer

To stop without a farmhouse near

- Who is the speaker?
- Why should the horse think it queer?

3X2=6

20. *I was angry with my friend
I told my wrath, my wrath did end.*
a) Whom does 'I' refer to? b) How did the anger of the poet come to an end?
21. *It takes much time to kill a tree,
Not a simple jab of the knife will do it.*
a) Can a 'simple jab of the knife' kill a tree? b) Why does it take much time to kill a tree?
22. *The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep*
a) How are the woods? b) Did the poet stop by the woods all day? Justify.

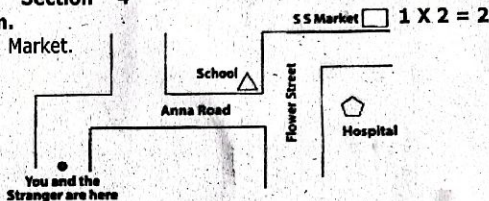
Section - 3

3 X 2 = 6

23. Identify whether the verbs are finite or non-finite.
a) Walking is a healthy habit. b) Ramesh invited Suresh to his daughter's birthday.
24. Frame a sentence each using the prepositional verbs given below.
a) prepare for b) benefit from
25. **Punctuate the following sentence.**
she said where did you find it
26. **Transform the following sentence into any other degree.**
Karthi is taller than any one in this group.
27. **Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences.**
a) anymore/climb/trees/can't/I. b) Betty/at pictures/in/a magazine/is/looking

Section - 4

28. **Answer the following question.**
A stranger wants to visit the S S Market.
Write the steps to guide him to reach his destination.



PART - III (SECTION - 1)

- Answer any two of the following in a paragraph.** 2X5=10
29. Narrate the story of Ruskin Bond's visit to his ancestral house in your own words.
30. Describe the 'home alone' experience of the children.
31. Narrate in your own words the hardships undergone by Sachin to become a great cricketer.
32. How did Amy and Jim manage the situation at home?

Section - 2

- Answer any two of the following questions.** 2X5=10
33. Describe how the poet's anger kept growing?
34. How does the poet bring out the pain of the tree in the poem 'On Killing a Tree'?
35. Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below.

A Poison Tree

I was angry with my friend;
I told my wrath, my wrath did end.
I was angry with my foe
I told it not, my wrath did grow.

- (i) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.
(ii) What is the rhyme scheme of the given stanza?
(iii) Identify the figure of speech in the title of the poem.
(iv) Pick out the alliterating words in the first and second line.
36. **Paraphrase the following stanza.**
*The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep.*

Section - 3

Answer any one of the following.

1 X 5 = 5

37. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.

- (i) Their dog helped them to find a treasure.
- (ii) It did not find them any treasure.
- (iii) The honest couple's neighbours were envious and they borrowed the dog.
- (iv) There lived an honest old couple.
- (v) The wicked couple seized the dog and killed it.

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

It was four years ago, in the month of October. One night the earth quaked. Yes, tremors are common in these parts. These snows may seem eternal, the Himalayas may look solid, but the truth is, deep down they are unstable. We, who live here, are accustomed to tremors. But what happened that night was more than that. It was a terrible earthquake. Its effects were felt as far away as Delhi and Lucknow.

- (i) When did the earthquake strike?
- (ii) What is the truth about the Himalayas?
- (iii) How was that disaster different?
- (iv) How far was the effect of the earthquake felt?
- (v) Describe the attitude of the people towards these tremors.

SECTION - 4

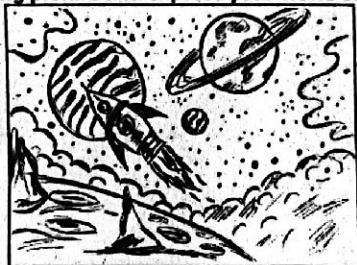
Answer any four of the following.

4X5=20

39. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.

Mobile Galaxy - smart phones - accessories - SIM cards - recharge - free power banks on mobile purchase - M/S Chandrasekar, No: 1, Arul Complex, Thanjavur.

40. Write a letter to your friend; describing the joy of celebrating festivals in a village.
41. The Adventure Club of your school is organising an expedition to Kolli hills. Design an attractive poster for the same; giving relevant details.
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.

Preserving Nature is man's prime responsibility. The earth does not belong to us for us to use and abuse. It belongs to our children. As man became civilised, he lost his attachment with nature. In his quest for development man cleared pristine forests and polluted the environment. The magnitude of destruction increased in proportion to the magnitude of his greed. As man drifted away from nature, his problems increased and his heart became hard and cold. The many calamities, misfortunes and the problems of our time are but the manifestation of greed. This is why we have injured people, animals and the environment. If we want to set things right we must reconnect with nature.

44. Identify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly.

- (i) His father is a MLA
- (ii) I am absent yesterday.
- (iii) His son-in-law have come home.
- (iv) Roja love her father.
- (v) I live in United States.

SECTION - 5**45. Quote from memory:****1 X 5 = 5**

From : He gives his harness

To : dark and deep.

Part - IV**2 X 8 = 16****46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words b developing the following hints.**

(a) Honest man and his wife - pet dog - found a treasure - covetous old couple - borrowed the dog - found nothing - killed the dog - dream - mortar out of pine-tree - more richness - neighbour - borrowed the mortar - only filth - burnt the mortar - dream - collected the ashes - withered plants came to life - prince gave rewards - envious neighbour - collected the ashes - nothing happened - prince's retainers - beat him - honest couple - shared their riches.

(OR)

(b) Tommy - Margie - schools of the past - book - printed - present - millions of books - screens - Margie hated - special study room - computer teacher - read on screen - boring - olden day school - human teacher - children learn together - play together - longed for - those types of schools.

47. Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below.

Chandrayaan-3 is the third and most recent Indian lunar exploration mission under the Chandrayaan programme of ISRO. It consists of a lander named Vikram and a rover named Pragyan similar to Chandrayaan-2. Its propulsion module would act like an orbiter. The propulsion module carries the lander and rover configuration until the spacecraft is in a 100-kilometre lunar orbit. Following Chandrayaan-2, where a last-minute glitch in the landing guidance software led to the lander crashing after entering lunar orbit, another lunar mission was proposed. The launch of Chandrayaan-3 took place on 14 July 2023, at 2:35 pm IST. The lander and rover are expected to land near the lunar south pole region on 23 August 2023. The powered descent is scheduled for 23 August 2023, around 05:45 pm IST and touchdown is expected on the same day around 06:05 pm.

Questions:

- Describe the most recent Chandrayaan programme of ISRO.
- What does the Chandrayaan-3 consist of?
- What happened to the Chandrayaan-2?
- When did the Chandrayaan-3 launch take place?

(OR)**Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.**

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the milky way,
They stretched in never-ending line
Along the margin of a bay;
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance

Questions:

- What was the poet doing?
- What did he see all at once?
- How does the poet describe the daffodils?
- Have you ever seen a similar sight? Describe your experience.