

# QUARTERLY EXAMINATION - 2023

CLASS : 9

ENGLISH

Regr.No.:

TIME : 3.00 Hr.

MAX.MARKS : 100

## PART - I

1) Answer all the questions.

14×1=14

Choose the appropriate synonym for the bold words:

1. She was **panting** heavily and her heart beat erratically.  
a) laughing                      b) breathless                      c) smelling                      d) coughing
2. I often tried to **emulate** the mannerisms of my favourite players.  
a) pursue                      b) practice                      c) imitate                      d) equal
3. Middle aged man on the flying trapeze, he **muttered** himself.  
a) convinced                      b) murmured                      c) shouted                      d) scolded

Choose the appropriate antonym for the bold words:

4. He is **interrupted** by a cry from outside.  
a) disconnected                      b) jolted                      c) stopped                      d) began
5. The schedule was **rigorous**.  
a) serious                      b) simple                      c) strict                      d) right
6. They were **silent** for sometime.  
a) calm                      b) quite                      c) noisy                      d) serene
7. **Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation SSLC.**  
a) Second School Leaving Certificate                      b) Secondary School Leaving Certificate  
c) Secondary School Leave Certificate                      d) Secondary School Leaving Certification

8. **Fill in the blank with suitable prefix.**

The examiner told me that sum of my answers were \_\_\_\_\_ correct.

- a) in                      b) dis                      c) un                      d) re
9. **Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word 'kind' :**  
a) ship                      b) ness                      c) ist                      d) er
10. **Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below.**  
Please meet him \_\_\_\_\_ the post office.  
a) of                      b) in                      c) for                      d) at

11. **Choose the correct homophone.**

She \_\_\_\_\_ how to speak Spanish.  
(new, knew)

12. **Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate prepositional phrase given below.**

I am standing here \_\_\_\_\_ my friends.

- a) In behalf of                      b) on behalf of                      c) in behalf                      d) on behalf
13. **Choose the correct infinitive to complete the sentence.**  
You promised \_\_\_\_\_ me a diamond ring.  
a) buy                      b) bought                      c) to buy                      d) buying
14. **Choose the correct gerund to complete the sentence.**  
Paul avoids \_\_\_\_\_ chemicals on the vegetables.  
a) use                      b) used                      c) to use                      d) using

## PART - II

### SECTION - I

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

3×2=6

15. What did Achrekar advise Sachin?
16. What were the girls doing in the living room?
17. What was the old house built with?
18. Why did Sachin feel that the schedule of the camp was 'rigorous'?

## SECTION - II

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

3×2=6

19. The woods are lovely, dark and deep, But I have promises to keep  
a) How are the Woods? b) Whom does 'I' refer to?
20. The bleeding bark will heal And from close to the ground  
a) What will happen to the bleeding bark?  
b) What will rise from close to the ground?
21. Upon its crust, absorbing Years of sunlight, air, water  
a) What is the tree absorbing? b) How long is it absorbing them?
22. In the morning glad I see My foe outstretched beneath the tree  
a) How did the poet feel in the morning? b) Who is the 'foe' referred to here?

## SECTION - III

Answer any three of the following.

3×2=6

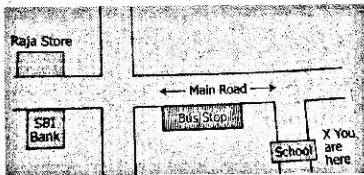
23. Rewrite the following into superlative degree.  
No other girl in the class is as young as Kamala..
24. Identify whether they are either finite or non-finite verb.  
a) Dancing is a form of expression. b) She completes her assignments at the given time.
25. Identify the dependent clause or phrase in the following sentences and underline them.  
a) We climbed up the hill to enjoy the view.  
b) I will stop playing the drum when you go to sleep.
26. Punctuate the following sentence.  
margie said to tommy why would anyone write about school
27. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences.  
a) is / popular / dance / folk / karakattam / Tamilnadu / of / a  
b) to / climb / the / tree / used / jackfruit / he

## SECTION - IV

Answer the following question.

1×2=2

28. A man approaches you to direct him to a nearby SBI Bank. Guide him to reach his destination.



## PART - III

### SECTION - I

Answer any two of the following in a paragraph.

2×5=10

29. Describe the visitor's experience in his old house?
30. Narrate in your own words the hardships underwent by Sachin to become a great cricketer.
31. Elaborate the rescue operation undertaken by Mr. Peter.
32. How did the visitor get back the Iron cross?

### SECTION - II

Answer any two of the following.

2×5=10

33. Describe the effect of the poisonous fruit of the enemy.
34. Write a paragraph on 'Stopping by Woods on a snowy evening'.
35. Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below.

And it grew both day and night,  
Till it bore an apple bright,  
And my foe beheld it shine,  
And it knew that it was mine.

- Pick out the rhyming words from the given stanza.
- Identify the rhyme scheme for the given stanza.
- Identify the figure of speech employed in the second line of the given stanza.
- Pick out the alliterating words in the second line.

**36. Paraphrase the following stanza.**

The bleeding bark will heal  
 And from close to the ground  
 Will rise curled green twigs,  
 Miniature boughs

**SECTION - III**

**Answer any one of the following.:**

**1×5=5**

**37. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order:**

- The officer had left the place already.
- But his sister was saved by an army officer.
- He lost his family.
- There was a tremendous earthquake in Brij's village.
- He wanted to thank the army officer.

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

He was a round little man with a red face and a whole box of tools with dials and wires. He smiled at Margie and gave her an apple, then took the teacher apart. Margie had hopped he wouldn't know how to put it together again, but he knew how all right, and, after an hour or so, there it was again, large and black and ugly, with a big screen on which all the lessons were shown and the questions were asked. That wasn't so bad. The part Margie hated most was the slot where she had to put homework and test papers. She always had to write them out in a punch code they made her learn when she was six years old and the mechanical teacher calculated the marks in no time.

**Questions:**

- What was the appearance of the county inspector?
- What did he give Margie?
- Which part Margie hated the most?
- How did she write the homework?
- Was Margie happy to attend the class?

**SECTION - IV**

**Answer any four of the following.**

**4×5=20**

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

Shoes for all- leading brands- suits your heels and toes - Attractive offers- Royal Shoe Mart -  
 No: 40, Kaveri Street- Erode.

**40. Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper on the loudspeaker nuisance in your locality.**

**41. Make notes or write a summary of the following passage.**

The aim of education is to enable the human personality to grow to its status in full. Man has a body, mind and spirit. Accordingly, education aims at the physical, the intellectual, the spiritual and the moral development of a man. Games are the means of keeping the body healthy and fit. Physical fitness and freedom from all kinds of elements are the desire and ambition of every human being. Indeed, good health is the first condition of happiness in life. Those who play games regularly maintain good health. Games are excellent means of body exercise. They keep the body healthy and strong. Players always have a better appetite and a better digestion than those who play no games or take no exercise. There are many games like Hockey, Football Tennis etc and other games like Kabaddi, Hide and seek etc. If a man wants to develop his personality he has to keep his body healthy. 'All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy' - so work and play should be fairly balanced.

- 42. Look at the following picture and express your views on it in a paragraph of five sentences.**



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

- a) Ravi is best student in the class.                         b) They shared the money between them.  
c) We should helped with the poor.                         d) My brother is elder than me.  
e) One of the box is heavy.

**SECTION - V**

44. Quote from memory.

**1×5=5**

FROM : It takes.....  
TO. : .....feeding

**PART - IV**

45. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.

**2×8=16**

a) Old couple - dog - dug - treasure - neighbour - borrowed - killed - dug - pine tree - mortar - rice - gold - neighbour - rice foul smelling - burnt ashes - sprinkled - without leaves - blossom - prince - gifted - neighbour - thrashed.

**OR**

b) Brij- seventeen year- boy- worked- roadside tea shop- terrible earthquake -returned back- village-found dead bodies-mother, brother- except his sister Bhuli- requested army officer -search three armed soldiers - two hours later-buried under the debris- thank officer -already left the place -hoped to see -offered a cup of tea-free of cost-travellers.

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

a) Forest are a renewable source. They contribute substantially to the economic development of a country. They produce oxygen free of cost. Indiscriminate felling of trees for firewood and timber is called deforestation. Even well protected National Parks have not escaped the evil eyes the poachers and wood smugglers. Since the forest guards have to walk a long distance to monitor the activities of smugglers, they were unable to stem the activities of poachers. The poachers also kill Elephants for tusk, Rhinoceros for their unique horns, Tigers for their skin. Local people should be armed and trained to guard the forests. The forest offenders must be punished severely.

**Questions:**

- How do the forests help us?
- What is deforestation?
- Why do the poachers kill the animals?
- How can we stop deforestation?

**OR**

b) Power of kindness is great and grand,  
Makes dumb and speak and deaf hear,  
And the blind see things quite clear,  
Through the rays of the light of heart,  
If kindness lives in words alone.  
Seldom will it serve at all,  
Turn they should as deeds of love,  
World has shrunk from what's was,  
For war to meet across the globe,  
Is not a kindness a golden girdle,  
To bring all mankind into the fold?

**Questions:**

- Where does the light of kindness come from?
- When will kindness be rendered useless?
- How can one find a place in other's heart?
- Why is kindness called a golden girdle?