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Instructions:

- i) First 15 minutes are allotted for the candidates to read the question paper.
- ii) All questions are compulsory.
- iii) This question paper has two Parts - Part-A and Part-B.
- iv) Part-A consists of 20 multiple choice questions of one mark each that have to be answered on OMR Answer Sheet by darkening completely the correct circle with blue or black ballpoint pen.
- v) For Part-A read the question-wise instructions and mark your answer on the given OMR Answer Sheet only. Do not erase, cut or use whitener on the OMR Answer Sheet after answering.
- vi) Marks of the questions are mentioned against them.
- vii) Part-B consists of descriptive type questions of 50 marks.
- viii) All the questions of Part-B are to be attempted all at a time.
- ix) Start from the first question and go up to the last question. Do not waste your time on the question you cannot solve.

PART - A

(Q. Nos. 1–3): Read the following passage carefully and choose the correct option to answer the questions that follow :

We went for a walk in the country. We went to see an exhibition in the town. We saw a temple surrounded by thick mango trees. It was held in a green park. The park was surrounded by beautiful shops. Light and song filled the whole atmosphere. The chirping of birds filled the air. At a distance men and women were walking in the fields. They were crowding the stalls. Small children were playing under the trees. They were sitting on the merry-go-round. Some women were at a well drawing water. Some boys and girls were looking at a small open circus. All was green and peaceful; all was bright and gay.

1. What surrounded the temple which was held in a green park ? [1]
(A) Boys and girls
(B) Beautiful shops
(C) Light and song
(D) Mango trees
2. "All was green and peaceful; all was bright and gay." What does it suggest ? [1]
(A) Noisy atmosphere
(B) Sensational atmosphere
(C) Cosy atmosphere
(D) Unhealthy atmosphere
3. Which word in the passage is opposite of 'City' ? [1]
(A) Country
(B) Exhibition
(C) Atmosphere
(D) Urban

(Q. Nos. 4–8): Choose the correct option to answer the following:

4. Priya had finished her lunch before the bell _____. [1]
(A) rings

- (B) had rung
- (C) was ringing
- (D) rang

5. People who watch and listen to speech are called [1]

- (A) listeners
- (B) watchers
- (C) hearers
- (D) audience

6. Rearrange the following word clusters to make a meaningful sentence:
was / born / I / where / the place / is / this [1]

- (A) This is the place where I was born
- (B) Where was I born this is the place
- (C) The place is this I was born where
- (D) Where I was born is the place this

7. Which of the following words is misspelt ? [1]

- (A) Accesson
- (B) Accessible
- (C) Accessory
- (D) Accessorize

8. Fill in the gap with a suitable preposition:
Ankit is worried ____ his failure. [1]

- (A) in
- (B) off
- (C) into
- (D) about

(Q. Nos. 9–10): Read the passage given below and choose the correct option to answer the questions that follow :

One of the employees, who was a postman and also helped at the post office, went to his boss laughing heartily and showed him the letter to God. Never in his career as a postman had he known that address. The postmaster — a fat, amiable fellow — also broke out laughing, but almost immediately he turned serious and, tapping the letter on his desk, commented, "What faith! I wish I had the faith of the man who wrote this letter. Starting up a correspondence with God!"

9. The postman showed to his boss [1]

- (A) a pen
- (B) a stamp paper
- (C) an inkpot
- (D) a letter

10. The postmaster was [1]

- (A) a fraud
- (B) an amiable fellow
- (C) an intelligent employee
- (D) a dishonest person

(Q. Nos. 11–13): Choose the correct option to answer the following questions:

11. Baking was indeed a profitable ____ in the old days. [1]

- (A) service
- (B) job
- (C) business
- (D) profession

12. Bodhidharma, a Buddhist, cut off his eyelids because [1]

- (A) he was a lunatic
- (B) he was a stupid

(C) he felt sleepy during meditations

(D) he was a fool

13. For the first twenty four hours Mijbil was neither hostile nor _____. [1]

(A) helpful

(B) friendly

(C) opposed

(D) supportive

(Q. Nos. 14–15): Read the given extract and choose the correct option to answer the following questions:

The fog comes
On little cat feet.
It sits looking
Over harbour and city
On silent haunches
and then moves on.

14. How does the fog come ? [1]

(A) Like little cat

(B) Like small frog

(C) Like crocodile

(D) Like ferocious storm

15. What does 'It' refer to in the poem ? [1]

(A) Cat

(B) City

(C) Fog

(D) Harbour

(Q. Nos. 16–20): Choose the correct option to answer the following questions:

16. What was Tricki's only fault ? [1]

- (A) Barking
- (B) Attacking
- (C) Biting
- (D) Greed

17. Who came with a small bundle of notes one evening ? [1]

- (A) The thief
- (B) A publisher
- (C) Anil
- (D) A master

18. What was the real name of Bholi ? [1]

- (A) Radha
- (B) Mangla
- (C) Sulekha
- (D) Ekta

19. I will not have such a mean, greedy and contemptible coward as my [1]

- (A) husband
- (B) companion
- (C) friend
- (D) class-mate

20. We established a model library in their capital city of [1]

- (A) London
- (B) Marsopolis
- (C) Germany
- (D) France

PART - B

(Reading)

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Just as it is vital for parents to live their own lives as fully as possible and to deepen their understanding to themselves to the utmost, so it is important for teachers and educators to do the same. When children go to school their teachers become, during school hours, substitutes for their parents. The children transfer to the teacher some of the feelings they have for their parents and are influenced in their turn by the personalities of the teachers. This mutual relationship is of more importance than any teaching method, and a child's ability to learn is continually hampered if the relationship is unsatisfactory. Again, if teachers really want to be educators, to help children to develop into satisfactory men and women, and not simply to stuff them with knowledge, they will only be really successful if they themselves have sound personalities. No amount of preaching, however well done, no principles however sound, no clever technique of mechanical aids can replace the influence of a well developed personality.

- a) What is important for teachers and educators ? [2]
- b) What happens if the relationship between a teacher and a child is unsatisfactory ? [2]
- c) "When children go to school, their teachers become, during school hours, substitutes for their parents." What does this statement suggest ? [2]
- d) Which word in the passage means 'Reciprocal' ? [1]

(Writing)

2. Write a letter to your younger sister telling her the disadvantages of watching television excessively. [4]

OR

Write an application to the warden of your hostel requesting him to provide facility of some indoor games in the hostel.

3. Write a report on 'Importance of Forests' in about 80–100 words.

(Hints: Useful for living beings; provide food and shelter for animals; keep

environment clean; prevent soil erosion; protect forests)

[6]

OR

Write an article on "A Visit to a Zoo" in about 80–100 words.

(Hints: When you visited it what you saw there different types of animals and birds; how you enjoyed it)

(Grammar)

4.

a) Rewrite the following sentence by changing into indirect speech: [2]
Sheela said to Rohit, "Do you want to continue your studies?"

b) Change the following into passive voice: [2]
Will you not attend the class?

c) Punctuate the following: [2]
the boy said sir may i come

d) Translate the following into English: [4]
मनीष अपने पिता का इकलौता बेटा है। एक दिन वह अपने घर से बाहर गया।
उसने अपने पिता की आज्ञा नहीं ली। तीन घण्टे बाद जब वह घर लौटा तो
उसके पिता जी उससे काफी नाराज हुए।

(Literature)

5. Answer the following questions in about 30–40 words each : $3 + 3 = 6$

a) What did the boys do exposing themselves to the rain in the chapter "A Letter to God"? [3]

OR

What did Buddha ask the girl to bring for curing the child? [3]

b) How long was Mandela not troubled by the laws of man or God? [3]

OR

How did Valli pick up various small details about the bus journey? [3]

6. Answer any one of the following in about 60 words: [4]

a) How do you know that bread is an important part of Goan life?

b) Why does the postmaster send money to Lencho ?

7. How old, do you think, Amanda is ? How do you know this ? (40 words)
[3]

OR

Write four lines of any poem prescribed in your syllabus. (*Do not copy the lines given in the question paper*). **[3]**

8. Write the central idea of any one of the following poems (in about 40–50 words): **[3]**

a) A Tiger in the Zoo

b) The Trees

c) How to tell Wild Animals

9. Answer any one of the following in about 30–40 words : **[3]**

a) What does Hari Singh get from Anil in return for his work ?

b) Why was the twentieth century called the 'Era of the Books' ?

10. Answer any one of the following in about 60 words : **[4]**

a) How did Bholi's teacher play an important role in changing the course of her life ?

b) How would you assess Griffin as a scientist ?