

Annual Examination, 2024
English
Class—IX

C-IX-English

Time : 3 hrs. 15 min.]

[M. M. : 70

General Instructions :

- (i) The first 15 minutes are allotted to the candidates for reading the question paper.
- (ii) All the questions are compulsory.
- (iii) This paper is divided into two sections A and B.
- (iv) Part A consists of 20 multiple choice questions carrying 1 mark each.
- (v) Your Answer on the given OMR sheet.
- (vi) Part B consists of descriptive type questions.
- (vii) Marks are indicated against questions.

Section A : (Multiple Choice Questions)

Q. No. 1-3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow, choosing the correct option :

At Shantiniketan, classes are held in the open air. The students sit on the ground under the trees and listen to their teachers. They often act plays, they have written themselves and very often they act those written by Rabindranath Tagore, the great poet who founded Shantiniketan. The place fills anyone with peace and quiet. The meaning of the word 'Shantiniketan' is abode of peace. It is one of the best place of learning in India. Many of our greatest leaders were educated at Shantiniketan.

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| 1. What does the word 'Shantiniketan' mean ? | 1 |
| (A) abode of peace | (C) beautiful building |
| (B) palace of king | (D) none of these |
| 2. Shantiniketan, classes are held in the : | 1 |
| (A) big hall | (C) open air |
| (B) classroom | (D) none of these |
| 3. Who is the founder of Shantiniketan ? | 1 |

- (A) Rabindranath Tagore (C) Swami Vivekananda
(B) Raja Ram Mohan Rai (D) Satyendra Nath Tagore

Q. No. 4-8. Choose the correct option to answer the following :

4. She has to the party. 1
(A) go (B) went (C) gone (D) going
5. apple a day keeps doctor away. 1
(A) The, an (B) An, the (C) The, the (D) A, the
6. A person who loves his country can not be : 1
(A) a traitor (B) a patriot (C) loyal (D) trustworthy
7. Which word is correctly spelt ? 1
(A) science (B) bycycle (C) Journy (D) excelent
8. am/reading / I / a story / book. 1
(A) I am reading a book story
(B) I am reading a story book
(C) A story book I am reading
(D) none of these

Q. No. 9-10. Read the passage given below and answer the question that follow :

Margie was scornful "School ? What's there to write about school ? I hate school".

Margie always hated school, but now she hated it more than ever. The mechanical teacher had been giving her test after test in geography and she had been doing worse and worse until her mother had Shaken her head sorrowfully and sent for the country Inspector.

9. How was margie performing in her academics ? 1
(A) Good (C) Best
(B) Better (D) none of these
10. Which degree of adjectives in 'worse'. 1

- (A) positive (C) superlative
(B) comparative (D) none of these

Q. No. 11-13. Based on your understanding of the prose lessons, choose the correct option to answer the following questions :

11. Maria Sharapova belongs to : 1

- (A) England (B) Russia (C) Germany (D) America

12. Kalam's close friend was : 1

- (A) Ramanadha sastry (C) his father
(B) Samsuddin (D) none

13. Who told the story to the writer ? 1

- (A) his granny (C) his father
(B) his mother (D) a homeopath doctor

Q. No. 14.-15. Read the following extract and answer the question that follow :

When the humid shadows hover
Over all the starry spheres.
And the melancholy darkness
Gently weeps in rainy tears.

14. What time of the day is discussed in the given extract ? 1

- (A) early morning (C) Night
(B) Afternoon (D) None of these

15. Where is the poet when it is raining ? 1

- (A) In his cottage (C) In his office
(B) In his school (D) In his hostel

Q. No. 16-20. Based on your understanding of the lesson in the book 'Moments' choose the correct option to answer the following questions :

16. His parents thought the snake-charmer's music was : 1

- (A) coarse (B) sweet (C) great (D) Indian

17. Toto's smile frightened : 1

- (A) elderly Anglo-Indian ladies (C) the authors
(B) Grandmother (D) nana, the donkey
18. The road was deserted and I was : 1
(A) thrilled (B) all alone (C) depressed (D) excited
19. The currency of the kingdom of fools was : 1
(A) duddu (B) dollar (C) coin (D) rupee
20. All day long he flew, and at night he arrived at : 1
(A) the vessel (B) the mast (C) the city (D) the church

Section 'B' (Descriptive Questions)

21. Read the passage carefully and answer the question that below :

Alan's mother came to the gate to see him off, "Goodbye, Alan, do your best."
She called out.

"I'll try, Mummy", answered Alan and, waving his hand, he ran out of the gate
and up the road.

Do his best of course he would. For Alan was playing in the school cricket
match and was mightily proud of being chosen to play. He had practised bowl-
ing with his father for weeks now, and Daddy said he was shaping well. Daddy
was nearly as excited as Alan over the match, and the promised that it Alan's
side won he would buy him bicycle.

No wonder Alan was excited.

- (a) Who patted Alan on the back and what did Alan's mother say to him ? 2
(b) Where was Alan going ? 2
(c) What promise did his father make ? 2
(d) What is the opposite of the word 'waving'. 1
- 22. Answer any one of the following :** 4
- (a) Write a letter to the District magistrate drawing his attention to the nuisance loud-
speaker in your locality.
(b) Write an application to your principal of your college and requesting him to grant
you leave for five days as you have to look after your mother who is suffering from
fever.

23. Answer anyone of the following in about 80-100 words : 6

(A) **Marriage party** : (Hints : (a) Introduction (b) Attraction (c) Preparation (d) Conclusion

(B) **Write an article on : 'A Picnic Tour'.**

24.

(a) **Rewrite the following by changing into indirect speech :** 2
She said, "Let us wait for our children."

(b) **Change into passive voice :** 2
They say that he is thief.

(c) **Punctuate the following :** 2
the principal said to suresh sit down and keep quiet.

(d) **Translate the following into English :** 4
राजू पिछले महीने कानपुर से दिल्ली गया। वह रेलगाड़ी से जाने की बजाय बस से गया। वह दिल्ली में लगभग दो सप्ताह तक रहा। वहाँ से वह जयपुर गया। उसने घर लौटकर अपने मित्र को एक पत्र लिखा।

25. **Answer the following question in 30-40 words :** 2×3=6

(a) Where was Abdul Kalam's house ?

Or

How did Santosh begin to climb mountains ?

(b) Why does the world remember Einstein as a "World citizen" ?

Or

How did the father punish Kezia ?

26. **Answer any one of the following in about 60 words :** 4

(a) How did Abdul Kalam's science teacher try to break the social barriers ?

(b) What do you know about Bismillah Khan's awards and recognition ?

27. **Mention a few things that poet wants to do when he goes to Innisfree. (in about 40 words)** 3

Or

Write four lines from any poem prescribed in your syllabus.

28. **Write the central idea of any one of the following :** 3

(a) wind

(b) No men are Foreign

(c) Rain on the Roof

29. Answer any one of the following in about 30 words : 3

(a) When did the prince first ask the swallow to stay on ? Why.

(b) "Toto is a pretty monkey." In what sense is Toto pretty ?

30. Answer any one of the following in about 60 words : 4

(a) In what way Iswaran was an asset to Mahendra ?

(b) What are the two things the guru and his disciple find in the kingdom of fools.