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**XI - SEPTEMBER 2020****Language – Part II – English**

Time Allowed : 3.00 Hours ]

[ Maximum Marks : 90

- Instructions :**
- (1) Check the question paper for fairness of printing. If there is any lack of fairness, inform the Hall Supervisor immediately.
  - (2) Use **Blue** or **Black** ink to write and underline.

**PART - I**Answer **all** the questions.**20x1=20**

Choose the most appropriate answer from the **four** alternatives and write the option code and the corresponding answer.

Choose the most appropriate synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.

1. - not anger or exasperation, but just simple wonder.  
(a) amusement      (b) nervousness      (c) irritation      (d) surprise
2. So common is it that I am always reluctant to trust a departing visitor.  
(a) uninterested      (b) unwilling      (c) forced      (d) persuaded
3. A peaceful pallor spread on her face.  
(a) devotion      (b) appearance      (c) results      (d) stress

Choose the most appropriate antonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.

4. I retained the world title in the Third World Women's Boxing championship.  
(a) attained      (b) distribute      (c) ruined      (d) gave up

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5. I pulled myself together sufficiently to hand my card, nonchalantly to the clerk . . . . .  
(a) concerned (b) surprised (c) motivated (d) forced
6. . . . . people with robust optimism will be discouraged and forced to take to the path of ease.  
(a) rough (b) soft (c) weak (d) thin
7. Choose the correct combination for the compound word 'over throw'.  
(a) Adjective + Verb (b) Adverb + Noun  
(c) Adverb + Verb (d) Adjective + Noun
8. Choose the suitable meaning for the idiom found in the following sentence.  
The hotel staff bend over backwards to make the visit of the dignitaries a memorable one.  
(a) tried to please (b) made every effort  
(c) was hospitable (d) carried the bags
9. Fill in the blank with the most suitable preposition.  
The pear fell \_\_\_\_\_ the tree.  
(a) of (b) from (c) off (d) by
10. Choose the correct American English word for 'pavement'.  
(a) platform (b) sidewalk (c) curb (d) railing
11. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation CAD.  
(a) Computer Aided Designing (b) Computer Augmented Design  
(c) Computer Aided Design (d) Computer Assisted Design
12. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement.  
Jeevan polishes his shoes \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
(a) does he (b) doesn't he (c) didn't he (d) did he

13. Choose the right combination of the blended word 'melodrama'.
- (a) malady + drama (b) melow + drama  
(c) melody + drama (d) malice + drama
14. Fill in the blank with a suitable Relative Pronoun for the following sentence.  
Do you know \_\_\_\_\_ car that is ?
- (a) who (b) whom (c) which (d) whose
15. Form a new word by adding a suitable prefix to the underlined word.  
Mistakes are an essential part of education.
- (a) un (b) ir (c) in (d) il
16. Choose the trisyllabic word.
- (a) laughter (b) auction (c) interesting (d) languages
17. Choose the clipped form of 'alchemist'.
- (a) alchemy (b) chemistry (c) chemist (d) mist
18. Choose the suitable phrasal verbs for the underlined word :  
John recovered after an illness.
- (a) got over (b) got up (c) got to (d) got back
19. Choose the correct meaning of the foreign word in the following sentence.  
The meeting of the party leaders were adjourned sine die.
- (a) unannounced (b) fixing a date  
(c) in the middle (d) without a date being fixed
20. Choose the word that is spelt correctly.
- (a) decietfulness (b) deceitfulness  
(c) diceitfulness (d) deceitfullness

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**PART - II**  
**SECTION - 1**

Answer any four of the following. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the following. 4x2=8

21. Cocktail face, with all their conforming smiles.  
Like a fixed portrait smile.  
(a) What is a 'cocktail face' ?  
(b) Explain the second line.
22. You'd think my ego it would please  
To swap positions with one of these.  
(a) Who are 'these' ?  
(b) Pick out the rhyming words ?
23. Have I not reason to lament  
What man has made of Man ?  
(a) What does 'lament' mean ?  
(b) Identify the figure of speech in the second line.
24. His brow is deeply lined with thought, his head his highly domed;  
His coat is dusty from neglect, his whiskers are uncombed.  
(a) How is the cat described in the above lines ?  
(b) Why is his coat dusty ?
25. Honour is a property, common to all :  
In dignity and pride no one need to be poor.  
(a) Who are considered rich ?  
(b) What is their asset ?
26. For God's sake let us sit upon the ground.  
And tell sad stories of the death of kings :  
(a) What does the speaker suggest ?  
(b) Pick out the words in alliteration.

**SECTION - 2**

Answer any three questions.

3x2=6

27. She said, "I decided to rent the shop because it is on the main road".  
(change into Reported Speech)
28. The children built a sandcastle at the beach. It was beautiful.  
(combine using a relative pronoun)
29. Planting of trees along the road sides made the surroundings look greener.  
(change into a compound sentence)
30. I saw him opening the box. (change the voice)

**PART - III**

**SECTION - 1**

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.

2x3=6

31. Our lands, our lives, and all are Bolingbroke's,  
And nothing can we call our own but death
32. I want to be what I used to be
33. And I must think, do all I can,  
That there was pleasure there.

**SECTION - 2**

Answer any two of the following.

2x3=6

34. Why didn't the grandmother feel sentimental when the author went abroad for higher education ?
35. What is the first motivation for all human activity ?
36. What does the list of articles lost in trains suggest ?

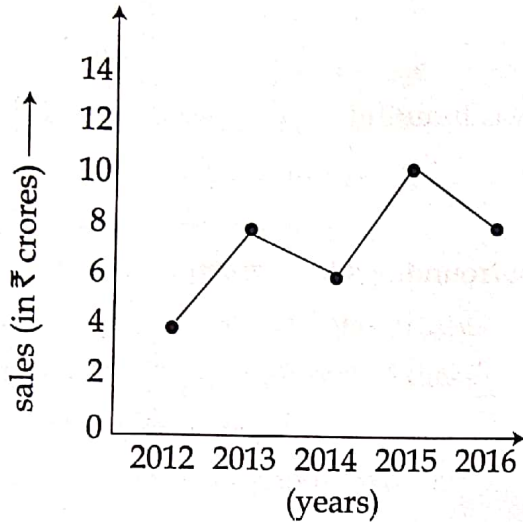
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SECTION - 3

Answer any three of the following.

3x3=9

37. Study the following line graph which gives the details about the yearly sales of a company. Write three sentences on your inference about the data.



38. Describe the process of making vegetable soup.
39. You are Raju/Rita, secretary of the English Literary Club. Your literary club is organising a creative-writing workshop for the student's of classes XI and XII. Draft a notice encouraging the students to participate. Give suitable details and instructions.
40. Rearrange the following jumbled proverbs correctly.
- (a) eyes/of/lies/the/in/holder/the/beauty.
  - (b) one/do not/basket/eggs/the/all/in/put/basket.
  - (c) in/do/Rome/when/do/Romans/as.

PART - IV

Answer the following.

7x5=35

41. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.
- (a) Bring out the pun in the title 'The Accidental Tourist'.
- OR
- (b) How did Mary Kom earn the titles - 'Queen of Boxing' and 'Magnificent Mary' ?
42. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.
- (a) How does Gabriel Okara, as a parent express his wish, to shed falsehood and regain true ways of life from his child. Elaborate on it.
- OR
- (b) The poem 'Everest is not the only Peak' does not focus on destination but the journey towards it. Discuss.

43. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.  
 (a) Leacock - waits - studio - read magazines - long wait - many adjustments - got angry - took photograph - Saturday - final proof - retouched - no resemblance - frustrated - worthless bauble.

OR

- (b) Jimmy wells and Bob - friends - lived in New York - parted ways - fixed meeting - after 20 years - Bob changed - a criminal - wells - policeman - Bob arrived - appointed time - could not recognise - Wells identified - sent another policeman - respecting friendship - arrested Bob.

44. (a) Either make notes or summarise the following passage.  
 Dolphins are wonderful creatures. They are very intelligent social animals. Among all marine creatures, dolphins seem to have a natural fondness for humans. There are 33 species of dolphins and five known river dolphins of these the bottlenose dolphins with their lovable broad smile, are very trainable. They are usually used as performers. They amaze spectators with their acts and graceful leaps. They are also capable of mimicking the sounds of a few human words. Dolphin babies are particularly curious about children and want to get closer with them, to swim alongside. Mother dolphins, keep an eye on the babies in case they get too excited - driving, racing and playing games. It is believed that dolphins bring good fortune to sailors around the world. They can sense danger and know instinctively when something is not right. Sailors and swimmers feel safe when a pod of dolphins follow them, especially in shark infested areas - There are many stories throughout history about how dolphins have guided sailors back to shore or chased off attacking sharks. In Greek history, there is a story about a Dolphin named Lassos who took a boy out to sea for dolphin rides. Imagine a pet dolphin that answers your call to take you around the world !

OR

- (b) Write a paragraph of about 150 words on the topic 'the role of school in a student's life'.  
 45. (a) Write a letter to your cousin describing your school field trip.

OR

- (b) You are Nirav/Neena. Write a letter of complaint to the inspector of your locality about the theft of your new mobile phone from your street.

Hints : - mobile got robbed, 'Samsung ultra' model  
 - dark street, no street lights.  
 - police patrolling required

46. (a) Read the following sentences, spot the error and correct them.  
 (i) If she had known of your arrival, she would come to receive you.  
 (ii) Neither Siya nor Seema are present today.  
 (iii) Despite being old yet he is active.  
 (iv) I cannot cope up with pressure.  
 (v) She met the concerned officer.

OR

(b) Fill in the blanks as instructed.

- (i) The trouble with many \_\_\_\_\_ is that they never seem to grow out of \_\_\_\_\_. (adolescence/adolescents)
- (ii) Samir \_\_\_\_\_ TV every night. (watch)
- (iii) You \_\_\_\_\_ not hurry, there is plenty of time. (use a semi-modal verb)
- (iv) \_\_\_\_\_ he was a deserving candidate he didn't win the election. (use a linker)

47. (a) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.

My grandfather recently moved from the village to live with us in the city. Grandfather was suspicious about the electronic gadgets I had in my room, and Grandmother said she did not want to know anything about my new toys!

So, one day, I decided to show grandfather how I was able to see and talk to my cousin Shreya, who stayed thousands of miles away in New Zealand. Grandfather was so amazed when he was able to have a conversation with Shreya. He excitedly called grandmother to watch this 'magic'. But grandmother's response was usual - she did not want to waste her time.

However, I wanted grandfather to enjoy this experience again but this time through his own efforts. I suggested grandfather should take computer lessons, and of course, I would be his teacher. So every evening after doing my homework, grandfather would start his lessons with me. The internet fascinated him. To think he now had the world's information at his fingertips - how marvellous!

He took the sessions very seriously though he got tired very easily. There were times when he would fall asleep on the keyboard! Sometimes, he would accidentally close the windows and would start all over again. I had to be really patient with his at all times. But we kept up the sessions; and now after just two months, grandfather is so glad he tried. The computer is grandfather's new toy, and he is not going to let anything stop him when he is at play!

**Questions :**

- (i) Why was the grandfather suspicious about the electronic gadgets?
- (ii) Describe the reactions of both the grandparents to the gadgets.
- (iii) Was it easy for the narrator to teach his grandfather?
- (iv) Why did the internet fascinate him?
- (v) Narrate any one funny instance in the teaching learning process.

**OR**

(b) Construct a dialogue between two friends discussing their holiday plans in not more than five exchanges.

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