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Total No. of Questions : 107] *Solved Question Paper : 2022*

[Marks : 100

Time : 3 Hr. 15 Min.]

ENGLISH**SECTION-A**

Question Nos. 1 to 100 have four options out of which only one is correct. You have to mark your selected option on the OMR Sheet. Out of 100 questions you have to attempt only 50 questions.

50 × 1 = 50

1. Each child an ice-cream. (Choose the correct option)
(A) has (B) have (C) are (D) such **Ans.—(A)**
2. Iron is most useful of all the metals. (Choose the correct negative sentence)
(A) Iron is not useful of all metals
(B) No other metal is as useful as iron
(C) Useful is not any metal than iron
(D) Metal like iron is no other useful **Ans.—(B)**
3. He works. (Choose the correct option)
(A) hard (B) with hard
(C) hardly (D) in hard **Ans.—(C)**
4. Choose the incorrect sentence :
(A) I don't care of this
(B) He got off the train
(C) The workers are on strike
(D) The tree was covered with flowers **Ans.—(A)**
5. They him chairman. (Choose the correct option)
(A) elect (B) elected
(C) electing (D) will elected **Ans.—(B)**
6. Choose the correctly spelt word:
(A) Bundle (B) Bandle
(C) Beundle (D) Bandel **Ans.—(A)**
7. We..... rain in India in all seasons. (Choose the correct option)
(A) get (B) gets
(C) getting (D) got **Ans.—(A)**
8. Choose the correct sentence :
(A) He opposes against us
(B) He opposes us against
(C) He opposes us
(D) Us opposes he **Ans.—(C)**
9. I went out to my friend. (Choose the correct phrase)
(A) see off (B) set forth
(C) set aside (D) see about **Ans.—(A)**
10. It was kind you to help me. (Choose the correct option)
(A) at (B) in
(C) on (D) of **Ans.—(D)**
11. I wish he get well soon. (Choose the correct auxiliary verb)
(A) would (B) should
(C) can (D) used **Ans.—(A)**
12. I have to teach English. (Choose the correct passive voice)
(A) English has to be taught by me
(B) Taught by me is English
(C) English is taught by me
(D) Me taught English **Ans.—(A)**
13. He is not home. (Choose the correct preposition)
(A) of (B) by
(C) at (D) since **Ans.—(C)**
14. He is lazy. He will fail. (Choose the correct combination)
(A) He will fail because he is lazy
(B) Fail if he is lazy
(C) He is failing because he was lazy
(D) Lazy is he and he failed **Ans.—(A)**
15. He said."It may rain tomorrow." (Choose the correct indirect speech)
(A) The next day it will rain said he
(B) The rain will be there tomorrow was said by him
(C) He said that it might rain the next day
(D) Raining tomorrow is what is said by him **Ans.—(C)**
16. you lend me your book?(Choose the correct option)
(A) Have (B) Must
(C) Will (D) Should **Ans.—(C)**
17. I banged my on the floor. (Choose the correct option)
(A) toe (B) tow
(C) towe (D) tore **Ans.—(A)**
18. Don't forget to give me a call when you to the gym. (Choose the correct option)
(A) gone (B) have gone
(C) went (D) go **Ans.—(D)**

19. The book will be bought by Sita. (Choose the correct active voice)
 (A) Sita will bought the book
 (B) Sita will buy the book
 (C) Sita had to buy the book
 (D) Sita must have bought the book **Ans.—(B)**
20. I swim when I was young. (Choose the best auxiliary verb)
 (A) could (B) might
 (C) can (D) may **Ans.—(A)**
21. Amar says that he English lessons everyday. (Choose the correct tense form)
 (A) taking (B) is taking
 (C) takes (D) has taken **Ans.—(C)**
22. I say that I write a letter. (Choose the correct direct narration)
 (A) I said, "I write a letter."
 (B) I say, "I write a letter."
 (C) I am saying, "I write a letter."
 (D) I was saying, "I write a letter." **Ans.—(B)**
23. Would you mind the door? (Choose the correct tense form)
 (A) shut (B) shutted
 (C) shutting (D) have shut **Ans.—(C)**
24. The bus came to an abrupt halt. (Choose the correct meaning of the underlined word)
 (A) sudden (B) slow
 (C) friendly (D) unhurried **Ans.—(A)**
25. Shimla is much than Chandigarh. (Choose the correct option)
 (A) farther (B) father
 (C) further (D) either **Ans.—(A)**
26. Choose the odd one out.
 (A) Wheat (B) Paddy
 (C) Barley (D) Mustard **Ans.—(D)**
27. She wants to become engineer. (Choose the correct article)
 (A) a (B) an
 (C) the (D) no article **Ans.—(B)**
28. Christopher Columbus set out to discover new (Choose the correct option)
 (A) country (B) land
 (C) town (D) village **Ans.—(B)**
29. I taken my camera. (Choose the correct option)
 (A) have (B) has (C) is (D) does **Ans.—(A)**
30. He is bent ruining himself. (Choose the correct preposition)
 (A) in (B) from (C) against (D) on **Ans.—(D)**
31. Choose the correct sentence :
 (A) He is so tall as I
 (B) He is as tall as I
 (C) He is so tall as I am
 (D) He is as tall as I are **Ans.—(B)**
32. My fingers were injured and so my sister had to write the note me. (Choose the correct preposition)
 (A) with (B) to (C) at (D) for **Ans.—(D)**
33. For me, breakfast is best meal of the day. (Choose the correct article)
 (A) a (B) an
 (C) the (D) no article **Ans.—(C)**
34. Choose the correctly spelt word.
 (A) Chocolate (B) Choclote
 (C) Chucklate (D) Chocklate **Ans.—(A)**
35. All his friends laughed at him. (Choose the correct passive voice)
 (A) He was being laughed at by all his friends
 (B) He was being laughed by all his friends
 (C) He was laughed by all his friends
 (D) He was laughed at by all his friends **Ans.—(D)**
36. A day of rest is (Choose the correct option)
 (A) holiday (B) popular
 (C) fatal (D) festival **Ans.—(A)**
37. Give one word substitution for 'A man whose wife is dead'.
 (A) widow (B) single
 (C) widower (D) separated **Ans.—(C)**
38. All coming and going forbidden. (Choose the correct option)
 (A) was (B) were (C) has (D) have **Ans.—(A)**
39. The judge declared the person guilty of all the Charges. (Choose the correct antonym of the underlined word)
 (A) easy (B) innocent
 (C) rival (D) simple **Ans.—(B)**
40. He said, "May God bless you !" (Choose the correct indirect narration)
 (A) He prayed that God might bless him
 (B) He said that God may bless me
 (C) He says that may God bless you
 (D) He asked that God will bless him **Ans.—(A)**
41. Choose the correctly spelt word:
 (A) Opportunity (B) Oppertunety
 (C) Opportunty (D) Opporchunity **Ans.—(C)**
42. We like music very much. (Choose the correct option)
 (A) a (B) an
 (C) the (D) no article **Ans.—(D)**

43. The synonym of 'Melodious' is (Choose the correct option)
 (A) Fine (B) Journey
 (C) Musical (D) Grief **Ans.—(C)**
44. Let this be done by me :(Choose the correct active voice)
 (A) Let us do this (B) This is to be done by me
 (C) Let me do this (D) Let I do this **Ans.—(C)**
45. The antonym of 'Modern' is
 (A) Ancient (B) Recent
 (C) Contemporary (D) Update **Ans.—(A)**
46. The teacher set some homework the end of the lesson.(Choose the correct preposition)
 (A) about (B) in
 (C) of (D) at **Ans.—(D)**
47. We believe in immortality of the (Choose the correct option)
 (A) sole (B) soul
 (C) union (D) wave **Ans.—(B)**
48. How do you want?(Choose the correct option)
 (A) much (B) few
 (C) some (D) little **Ans.—(A)**
49. The policeman ran the thief.(Choose the correct preposition)
 (A) on (B) at
 (C) by (D) after **Ans.—(D)**
50. Rekha has hurt(Choose the correct option)
 (A) herself (B) itself
 (C) himself (D) themselves **Ans.—(A)**
51. He went on(Choose the correct option)
 (A) talk (B) to talk
 (C) talking (D) talked **Ans.—(C)**
52. He does not go to market,? (Choose the correct option)
 (A) does he (B) doesn't he
 (C) wouldn't he (D) can he **Ans.—(A)**
53. He to help me. (Choose the correct option)
 (A) denied (B) refrained
 (C) refused (D) refuse **Ans.—(C)**
54. The cost of paper and printing too high. (Choose the correct option)
 (A) are (B) have (C) has (D) is **Ans.—(D)**
55. Choose the correct sentence
 (A) It is high time he will start earning
 (B) It is high time he started earning
 (C) It is high time he starts earning
 (D) It is high time he has started earning **Ans.—(C)**
56. He heard a noise. He got up. (Choose the correct combination)
 (A) Had heard a noise so he got up
 (B) Having hearing a noise, he got up
 (C) As he heard a noise, he got up
 (D) Heard a noise so he got up **Ans.—(C)**
57. beware of false friends. (Choose the correct option)
 (A) Again and again (B) Above all
 (C) All day long (D) All over **Ans.—(B)**
58. Public opinion was the Bill. (Choose the correct option)
 (A) of (B) after
 (C) above (D) against **Ans.—(D)**
59. Choose the correctly spelt word :
 (A) Woollen (B) Wulen
 (C) Weulen (D) Waulen **Ans.—(A)**
60. Choose the correct synonym of 'Perfume'.
 (A) Way (B) Scent
 (C) Plain (D) Hunt **Ans.—(B)**
- Instruction : Questions from 61 to 100 are based on the prescribed texts.**
61. The poet was dressed when he saw the snake.
 (A) formally (B) in Pyjamas
 (C) in his nightsuit (D) in his undergarments **Ans.—(B)**
62. I celebrate myself, and sing myself,
 And what I assume you shall assume" — is from
 (A) Fire Hymn (B) Snake
 (C) Song of Myself (D) To Autumn **Ans.—(C)**
63. Whose white waterfall could bless
 Travellers in their last
 (A) distress (B) sadness
 (C) happiness (D) tears **Ans.—(A)**
64. "To bend with apples the moss'd cottage-trees,"
 is from
 (A) Song of Myself (B) Ode to Autumn
 (C) Snake (D) Fire Hymn **Ans.—(B)**
65. "Someone was before me at my water-trough,
 And I, like a second comer, waiting." — is from
 (A) The Soldier (B) Snake
 (C) Fire Hymn (D) An Epitaph **Ans.—(B)**
66. Who wrote "The Old Playhouse and other Poems"?
 (A) T.S. Eliot (B) D. H. Lawrence
 (C) Keki N. Daruwala
 (D) Kamala Das **Ans.—(D)**
67. Who has violated the tradition of religion by cremating?
 (A) D. H. Lawrence (B) Kamala Das
 (C) Keki N. Daruwala
 (D) T.S. Eliot **Ans.—(C)**

68. The poet is the snake.
(A) in awe of (B) afraid of
(C) running away from
(D) ready to hide from **Ans.—(B)**
69. The writing system in Old English used the alphabet.
(A) Runic (B) Kentish
(C) Celtic (D) Saxon **Ans.—(A)**
70. The Great Vowel Shift brought about a series of changes in the the English long vowels.
(A) spelling (B) pronunciation
(C) oral (D) written **Ans.—(B)**
71. The printing technology was introduced in England in the year.
(A) 1066 (B) 1857
(C) 1476 (D) 1605 **Ans.—(C)**
72. English is a
(A) window to the world
(B) hindrance in progress
(C) blessing in disguise
(D) disgrace to the world **Ans.—(A)**
73. was honoured with the order of Merit in 1953.
(A) John Donne
(B) William Wordsworth
(C) Walter de la Mare
(D) Percy Bysshe Shelley **Ans.—(C)**
74. A dust whom bore, shaped, made aware,:
(A) Ireland (B) India
(C) England (D) Iceland **Ans.—(C)**
75. "Or when the milk is missing, or another Peke's been stifled," is from
(A) Macavity – The Mystery Cat
(B) Snake (C) Fire Hymn
(D) The Soldier **Ans.—(A)**
76. "I swore to save fire
From the sin of"
(A) sin (B) hatred
(C) forgetfulness (D) blessings **Ans.—(C)**
77. "Observing all this, our ancestors dissuaded us from luxuries and pleasures." is from
(A) A Pinch of Snuff
(B) The Earth
(C) Indian Civilization and Culture
(D) India Through a Traveller's Eyes. **Ans.—(C)**
78. "The family is big and is constantly growing at a rather inconveniently fast is from
(A) Bharat is My Home
(B) The Earth
(C) How Free is the Press
(D) I Have a Dream **Ans.—(A)**
79. The narrator in "A Pinch of Snuff" was a/an on probation
(A) Secretary
(B) Clerk
(C) Under-Secretary
(D) Bank Officer **Ans.—(C)**
80. Martin Luther King was the youngest person to receive the in 1964
(A) Booker Prize
(B) Nobel Prize
(C) National Award for Innovation
(D) Ibrahim Prize for Achievement **Ans.—(B)**
81. "His brow is deeply lined with thoughts," Whose brow is the poet talking about?
(A) Macavity's (B) Himself
(C) His neighbour's (D) His father's **Ans.—(A)**
82. The images and praises of run through the poem "The Soldier".
(A) The USA (B) Australia
(C) France (D) England **Ans.—(D)**
83. English belongs to the ancient family of languages.
(A) American-Indian
(B) Indo-European
(C) Indian-Australian
(D) Indo-Pakistani **Ans.—(B)**
84. The latest period in the growth and development of the English language may be called the era of
(A) Ancient Englishes
(B) Old Englishes
(C) Middle Englishes
(D) New Englishes **Ans.—(D)**
85. Even more important than the domestication of animals was the invention of
(A) reading (B) writing
(C) agriculture (D) religion **Ans.—(C)**
86. "Fancy a lad spending his time playing around like that with gourds!" – is from
(A) The Earth (B) A Marriage Proposal
(C) A Child is Born (D) The Artist **Ans.—(D)**
87. women had given up going to international conferences.
(A) Sudanese (B) Indian
(C) Australian (D) Pakistani **Ans.—(A)**
88. Advertisers contribute to the of the newspaper.
(A) material (B) news
(C) revenue (D) gossip **Ans.—(C)**

SECTION-B

89. Bertrand Russell belonged to
(A) Germany (B) Iceland
(C) Britain (D) Ireland **Ans.—(C)**
90. Every lives in a perpetual precarious balance.
(A) man (B) book
(C) newspaper (D) story **Ans.—(C)**
91. How many hens were at first kept by Benjy?
(A) about a dozen
(B) thirty six
(C) about two dozens
(D) fifty **Ans.—(A)**
92. "But believe that I shall make
Speedier journeys, since I take" — is from
(A) Sweetest Love I Do Not Goe
(B) Fire Hymn
(C) Snake
(D) Song of Myself **Ans.—(A)**
93. Standard British English speech came to be known
as
(A) Received pronunciation
(B) Non-native language
(C) Second language
(D) Foreign language **Ans.—(A)**
94. Walt Whitman was a/an
(A) Indian poet (B) American poet
(C) British poet (D) Russian poet **Ans.—(B)**
95. The Romantic Revival is associated with
(A) John Dryden (B) Alexander Pope
(C) William Wordsworth
(D) John Milton **Ans.—(C)**
96. Bankim Chandra wrote *Raj Mohan's Wife*, the first
Indian novel in English's in
(A) 1857 (B) 1914 (C) 1864 (D) 1847 **Ans.—(C)**
97. "Deeply and painfully upset, they went to the man
named Sanders, and told him how it was." — is from
(A) A Marriage Proposal
(B) A Child is Born (C) The Earth
(D) How Free is the Press **Ans.—(C)**
98. The Book 'Come, My Beloved' hasbackground.
(A) Indian (B) Scandinavian
(C) African (D) American **Ans.—(A)**
99. Anton Chekov was a by profession.
(A) teacher (B) soldier
(C) manager (D) doctor **Ans.—(D)**
100. For what purpose had Nanukaka come to Delhi?
(A) For paying the debt
(B) Attend Zamindar convention
(C) To take rest
(D) To see some Minister **Ans.—(D)**

1. Write an essay on any one of the following in
about 150-200 words : $1 \times 8 = 8$

- (a) Discipline
(b) My Happiest Day in School
(c) Noise Pollution
(d) Many hands make work light
(e) My Aim in Life

Ans.— (a) Discipline

Discipline means to follow rules or do things in regular order. It is a very important part of life. Discipline is indispensable for living a successful life. Success and realization of dreams go hand in hand with discipline. There is no achievement that was accomplished without discipline. We need discipline in almost everywhere in life. So, it is best to practice discipline from the early stages of our life. Self-discipline means different things to different people. For students, its meaning is different for an employee its meaning is different and for children its meaning is different. We can say that discipline is one of the key elements of anyone's life. A person can only be successful if she/he strictly live a healthy and disciplined life.

(b) My Happiest Day in School

The happiest day in my school was when I stood first in does final annual exam. My parents were very happy, they were feeling proud. When got the certificate and trofee my parents were more than happy. I promised myself that I'll bring that day back every year by standing first in class.

The school was like my second home, my teacher and friends new my families. They always motivated we to score good marks in the exam. Seriously I enjoyed school days a lot. Whenever I meet my old school mates, such beautiful memories flash again and bring back smiles and tears of joy and I miss my school all the more the place where I spent the happiest days of my life. I never forget the day in school when I stood first in annual exam.

(c) Noise Pollution

Noise pollution is a form of pollution which has become very deadly now-days. This pollution is increasing only and creates unsafe environment. Noise pollution is when the level of noise increases more than the normal level. When the amount of noise exceeds, it becomes dangerous for living beings. Moreover, these unpleasant sound cause several disturbances and create an imbalance in the enviroment.

In other words, high volume noises are abnormal. As the world is advancing at a rapid rate, so is noise pollution.

Similarly, the ever-increasing use of automobiles is a major cause of this pollution. Not only automobiles but other transport vehicles like buses, bikes, trucks. People honk un-necessarily in the traffic and listen to loud music on the way which creates high level of noise. We must make people aware of the impact of noise pollution.

(d) Many hands make work light

Many hands make work perfect is true in many facts of our lives. It is the concept of teamwork. Most companies boast of now team work is the backbone of the company. That is because they have figured out that when you have "Many hands" in the job it makes for a much lighter workload for everyone.

You can do work by yourself, you may even make some progress. That doesn't mean that it wouldn't be easier if you had more people involved in it. There are those people that thinks working alone is much better. They feel that others get in the way and hold them up from anything being accomplished. That is the only future if one of the team members is being lazy. If everyone works together, great things can be get done in an amazing short amount of life.

(e) My Aim in Life

Everyone has an aim in life and we should try our level best to achieve it. Aim is the goal one sets to achieve in his or her life. Those who do not have an aim always complain of hard times and blame their fate. Different people choose their aims according to their inclination and taste. It is the duty of the parents and teachers to help children choosing their aim and profession according to their aptitude. My aim in life is to become a teacher because for me, it is one of the noblest form of profession. A teacher is a nation-builder - a person who can serve his society and nation best through education. He can inculcate refined qualities in a student and make the young generation the torch-bearers of our progressive country. So, I hope I would be able to achieve my aim in the days to come. The day I become a teacher would be the happiest day of my life.

2. Explain any one of the following : $1 \times 4 = 4$

- (a) When the van had gone they stood alone on the pavement, looking at the ground.
- (b) Within the herd we are more friendly to each other than are many species animals.....

(c) "Free at last ! Free at last ! Thank God Almighty, we are free at last !"

(d) Mother was waiting on the doorstep, her face wreathed in smiles.

Ans.—(a) This line has been taken from "The Earth" written by H.E. Bates.

Here the author throws light on the growing selfishness and cunningness of their simple minded son, named Benjy, who finally drives them away from their home. Johnson the father and his mother are left alone on an unfamiliar road to help themselves.

It shows a true description of wrong dealing and behaviours of a son with his parents, that happens at present.

(b) This line has been taken from the essay "Ideas That Have Helped Mankind" written by British Philosopher and Mathematician Bertrand Russell.

Russell takes of those thing which help mankind. Here Russell says civilization has taught us to be more friendly towards one another. Civilization has helped us in such a way that in ancient time we were just like animals. We hadn't the knowledge of the way of life. We were not more advanced like today. Civilization has made us developed.

It shows that the it is our intellect that makes us different from animals. Human beings are one of the most developed and advanced creatures of the world.

(c) This line has been taken from the essay "I Have a Dream" written by Martin Luther King Jr.

The author says that God grant that right have in America and all over this world, we will choose the high way; a way in which men will live together as brothers. A way in which the nations of the world will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. A way in which every man will respect the dignity and worth of all human personality.

The author hopes that one day they will "Free at last ! Free at last ! Great God Almighty, we free at last !".

(d) This line has been taken from the story 'A Pinch of Snuff' written by Manohar Malgaonkar.

These lines shows that narrator's mother was very loyal to her side of family and nanukaka was her brother. So his arrival made mother delighted but her son was never willing to because nanukaka was his guest.

It shows that the narrator's mother was very excited when nanukaka arrived home.

3. Explain any one of the following : $1 \times 4 = 4$

(a) (I might mention Mungojerrie, I might mention Griddlebone)

Are nothing more than agents for the cat who all the time Just controls their operations : the Napoleon of Crime !

(b) The nearest Tower of Silence was a thousand miles —

The fire-hymn said to me, "You stand forgiven,"

(c) There is a house now far away where once I received love.

(d) The red-breast whistles from a garden-croft,
And gathering swallows twitter in the skies.

Ans.—(a) This line has been taken from the poem 'Macavity : The Mystery Cat' which has been composed by T.S. Eliot.

The poet says that Macavity does not commit crimes alone. His companions are also well known because of their crimes. He mentions their names as well; Mungojerrie and Griddlebone. However they are just agents for the cat who all the time i.e., Macavity. The poet calls the Macavity as Napoleon of crime because he is the mastermind behind all the crimes and leads the operation.

It shows that Macavity is very smart and cunning. He is not alone his crime.

(b) This line have been taken from the poem 'Fire-Hymn' which has been composed by Keki-N-Daruwala.

The poet once has consigned his first child to the flames because the tower of silence was far away from his residence. The poet says that to burn a dead body is an inhuman act. He regrets that he had consigned his child to the fire. He says that he has committed a sin by doing this inhuman cruel act. The poet feel guilty for violating the parsi cade. He asks forgiveness.

The poet tools a vow to save the fire next time from the sin of forgiveness.

(c) This line has been taken from the poem 'My Grandmother's House' which has been composed by Kamala Das.

Here the speaker says that in once she received love at her grandmother's house. She used to live there with her grandmother when she was child. In that house she felt her grandmother's memory. The speaker's sweet memories were associated with her grandmother's house.

It shows that the speaker was proved of living in that house because she received immerse love care at the house.

(d) This line have been taken from the poem 'Ode to Autumn' which has been composed by romantic Poet John Keats.

The poet says that the Autumn season has its own music. Its music is not like that of the spring season. Its music is created by gnats beating by Humbs, noise by hedge cricket flowing rivers and swallows. Finally the swallows gather and sing against the void of darkening sky, which will soon pummel the land with harsh weather. All this music, which might appear any time of years, takes on a special beauty in the gathering shadow of death.

It shows that the music of Autumn season has it own charm and sweetness.

4. Write a letter to your friend enquiring about the health of his parents who have recovered from Covid-19. 5

OR, Write a letter to the Chief Minister to provide relief and medical assistance to the Covid-19 patients quarantined at home in your locality.

Ans.—

Sharif Colony

Ashok Rajpath, Patna-800006

Date : 07 February, 2022

Dear Rakesh,

I received your letter yesterday. I got shocked for a moment that your parents also got infected from covid-19 which has jolted entire world. But anyway it is good that your parents recovered from Covid-19 within a few weeks. I hope they don't have any after disease symptoms. I am really proud of you for being so strong and taking care of everything alone. Just inform me about their health. Let's meet you soon after the situation get well convey my regards to your parents.

Your loving friend

XYZ

OR,

To

The Hon'ble Chief Minister

Government of Bihar Patna-800001

Date : 07 February, 2022

Subject—Regarding relief and medical assistance to covid-19 patients.

Sir,

With due respect I would like to draw your attention that most people have been tested covid-19 positive in my colony, Sharif colony, Patna-800006. The infected people have been quarantined at home. But medical relief has not been provided by the local administration till now. There is a need of medical assistance.

I request you to look into the matter so that they could be provided best treatment.

Yours Sincerely

XYZ

5. Answer any five of the following in about 40-50 words each : $5 \times 2 = 10$

- What is the belief prevailing in Sicily about a snake?
- If at all he dies in the battle, how would the soldier like to be remembered?
- What happens in autumn?
- Why did the writer not mind her host eating in the opposite corner of the room?
- Are there restrictions on Press in time of war?
- What made Seibei's heart beat faster?
- Write the names of dramatic elements.
- Name four countries where English is used as a second language.
- What was the impact of the Norman Conquest on the vocabulary of English?
- What standardized English spelling and pronunciation?

Ans.—(a) In Sicily, it is believed that a black snake if seen or found anywhere, must be killed.

(b) The poet says that If at all he dies in the battle, he would like to be remembered as brave and unforgettable soldier who never afraid of death.

(c) The season has a lot of mist but it is the season in which fruits ripen. Grapes and apples become mature. Vine creepers are loaded with bunches of grapes. The shells of hard nuts swell. Certain varieties of flower, too, bloom. Bess collect honey in their sticky hives. There is store of corn in the field. Reaping, winnowing, cider pressing, too, go on.

The sounds of various birds are also heard in this season.

(d) She did not mind that because it was simply a private devotion to a religious feeling and not in-hospitality.

(e) Yes, there are restrictions on Press during the time of war. Infact, all liberties are restricted in times of war.

(f) Seibei, a twelve year old boy was deeply interested to buying and collecting the gourds from the market. When Seibei was examining the gourds, suddenly he caught sight of one which was about five inches long. Something about it made Seibei's heart beat faster.

(g) The Features of drama are plot, character, dialogue, gestures, scene effects, music and soliloque.

(h) English is used as a second language in many Asian and African countries such as India, Singapore, Malaysia, Nigeria, Namibia, Botswana etc.

(i) The impact of the Norman Conquest on Vocabulary of English can be noticed in the inclusion and instruction of a large number of French words into Vocabulary of English from Europe to Mainland Britain.

(j) English orthography in the system of writing convention used to represent spoken English in written form that allows readers of connects spelling to sound to meaning. Like the orthography of most world language. English Orthography has a broad degree of standardization.

6. Answer any three of the following in about 100-120 words : $3 \times 5 = 15$

(a) Write the summary of any one of the following poems :

- Now The Leaves Are Falling Fast
- Fire Hymn
- The Soldier

(b) Write the summary of any one of the following prose-pieces :

- The Artist
- A Child is Born
- India Through a Traveller's Eyes.

(c) Write a note on the dialects of Middle English.
OR, Write a note on the future of English.

OR, Write a note on American English.

(d) Match the names of the poets given in List-A with their works in List-B :

List -A

List-B

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|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| (i) W.H. Auden | (a) Fire Hymn |
| (ii) K.N. Daruwala | (b) Now The Leaves Are Falling Fast |
| (iii) John Keats | (c) My Grand Mother's House |
| (iv) Rupert Brooke | (d) Ode to Autumn |
| (v) Kamala Das | (d) The Soldier |

(e) Translate any five into English :

- अभी बाहर मत निकालो।
- छात्रों को क्यों पीटा गया?
- रीता अपना काम पूरा कर चुकी है।

- (iv) मैं स्नान करने ही वाला हूँ।
 (v) रमेश पुस्तक लेकर कब आएगा?
 (vi) वह अपने मित्रों के साथ मैदान में खेल रहा है।
 (vii) तुम्हें अब घर जाना चाहिए।
 (viii) आपलोग पटना कब आइएगा?

(f) Match the names of the authors given in List-A with their works in List-B :

- | List -A | List-B |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| (i) H. E. Bates | (a) How Free is the Press |
| (ii) Germaine Greer | (b) Bharat is My Home |
| (iii) Dorothy L. Sayers | (c) I have a Dream |
| (iv) Dr. Zakir Hussain | (d) A Child is Born |
| (v) Martin Luther King, Jr. | (e) The Earth |

Ans.—(a) (i) Now The Leaves Are Falling Fast

'Now the Leaves are falling fast' is one of the finest lyric poems which has been composed by the modern poet W.H. Auden. This poem is about nature. Poet sees autumn as the arrival of old age and death of humans.

The poet says that now the leaves are falling fast. It means all human being are going towards death very fast due to suffering and diseases. The poet tries to expose the frustration and crisis in modern life. He says that we human beings are like travellers who are growing old moving towards graveyard. The poet says that when the leaves fall from the tree the woods becomes lifeless. In the same way human beings with his unfulfilled desires becomes physically weak and finally gets separated from the crowd of the people. But the poet shows an optimistic view that when we come to the end of our life we hear the sweet sound of the springs.

Thus, we see that this poem is a blending of pessimism and optimism. The underlying idea in this poem is that death is certain.

(ii) Fire Hymn

Keki N Daruwalla is a renowned Indian English poet, winning the Sahitya Akademi Award in 1984. He is known for his satiric tone in his verses, which he got from his personal experiences. There is a sense of commitment towards social awareness found in most of his poems. Daruwalla is a Parsi by origin, who cremate the dead bodies by carrying it to the "Tower of Silence", instead of burning it. So the burning of the bodies is very traumatic for him and this is what he writes in this poem 'Fire Hymn'. When he sees the half burnt bodies, due to lack of enough

wood, he is troubled to the core at the poverty. He feels guilty because he had burnt the body of his first born, some twenty five years back, as the ' Tower of Silence' was far away. He feels that the burning of bodies is a very inhuman act. Lastly, filled with remorse, repentance and guilt, he asks for forgiveness for the heinous crime that he had committed.

(iii) The Soldier

The Soldier is a patriotic sonnet. It has been composed by Rupert Brooke. It is a deeply patriotic and idealistic poem that expresses a soldier's love for his motherland.

The poet's heart is overflowing with a sense of patriotism. He says that an English soldier fights in a foreign land for his country England. The poet says that if he dies in a foreign land that land would be forever England. He remembers his country with fondness because he was born and brought up there. He loves the nature of his country from the bottom of his heart. He loves the lights and sounds of his country and remembers his friends. He says that his country has given him flowers to love and the air to breathe. All these things show the poet's deep love for his motherland.

Thus, the poem gives us a strong sense of patriotism.

(b) (i) The Artist

'The Artist' written by Shiga Naoya, is a story about a young boy Seibi, who had a strange passion for collecting gourd. While every child of his age played around happily, Seibi wandered in the streets to collect gourds. One day, he liked on particular gourd and carried it with him everywhere, even to his school. This infuriated his teacher and he complained to his parents about his strange obsession with gourds. In anger, the teacher gave away the gourd to the porter of the school. Being quiet and disciplined, Seibi did not utter a word and kept strangely quiet even when his passion for collecting gourds was snatched away from him slowly, he changed his interest and started painting but was scolded for this too. Shiga Naoya wants to point out that it is absolutely wrong to crush a child's talent because it will make him an imbalanced personality, with no confidence in life. Every child is talented and he/she should be given a chance to pursue their passion in life, whatever it may be.

(ii) A Child is Born

The author, Germaine Greer, a feminist writer shows the varied differences between a traditional and modern society in matters of pregnancy and child-birth. A traditional society is full of customs and rituals as well as superstition and a pregnant woman is bound to follow them. She is

taken good care of by the whole family and the fear of pain and danger does not affect her. On the contrary, in modern society, a pregnant woman is left all by herself and the pregnancy period becomes quite difficult for her. There is a lot of feasting and dancing to celebrate the child birth in a traditional society, even though there maybe dangers and deaths involved due to lack of modern facilities. Whereas in modern society, though the death rates and risks are quite low, yet a pregnant women never gets looked after and pampered in the months of her pregnancy and child-birth.

(iii) India Through A Traveller's Eye

This essay, 'India Through a Traveller's Eyes' is an extract from Pearl S. Buck 'My Several World'. It is a personal record where she showers her love and respect to the Indian people, specially Indians living in villages. She is a extremely attached to India because of her various visits to the country, besides having an Indian family doctor. Buck is very much impressed by the young intellectuals of India but was pained by the unemployment scenario of the country. The faith that Indians have in Gandhiji caught her attention. Through this essay, she wants to bring to the forefront that Indians are amongst the best cultured people in the world with their simplicity, religious-mindedness and respect for their culture.

(c) The period from AD 1150 to 1500 is called the Middle English Period in the history of English. During this period English was a mixture of dialects. These dialects were-Northern, Southern, East Midland, West Midland and Kentish. Middle English differed from Modern English in spelling, pronouncing and grammar.

OR,

The future of English is very bright. It has become a global and international language of science, commerce and technology. It is spoken in several countries. The number of English-speaking people is increasing day by day. It has become the language of Job Market. Even people belonging to non-English countries are learning English and writing in English. English has a bright future.

OR,

When the countries like U.S. Australia, Canada, New Zealand became independent of the British empire, the English language written and spoken there, too, tried to shed off some of the features of Queen English. The people there were not the native speakers of English. So, they created a new variety of English bringing some changes in the original spelling, grammar and pronunciation of the British English. The new variety of English that developed in America after its independence is called American English.

(d) (i)–(b), (ii)–(a), (iii)–(d), (iv)–(e), (v)–(c)

- (e) (i) Don't get out now.
 (ii) Why were the students beaten?
 (iii) Reeta has done her work.
 (iv) I am about to take bath.
 (v) When will Ramesh come with book?
 (vi) He is playing with his friends in the ground.
 (vii) Now you should go to home.
 (viii) When will you come to patna?

(f) (i)–(e), (ii)–(d), (iii)–(a), (iv)–(b), (v)–(c)

7. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow : 4

Civilization means refinement of manner, improved arts, learning, and physical and moral culture. It implies an ordered way of living so that our body, mind and soul may develop properly. It also means social organization, efficient government, and well-established laws. The object of civilization is to make life nobler and more beautiful.

Questions :

- (i) What do you mean by civilization?
 (ii) What does civilization imply?
 (iii) What is the object of civilization?
 (iv) Make sentences with : Civilization, Beautiful.

OR, Write a precis of the following passage and give a suitable title : 4

Discipline means to follow rules or do things in regular order. It is a very important part of life. Children should be taught to follow discipline while studying, eating or playing. Adults should also lead disciplined lives. We must always remember that with the right quality of discipline all our ventures are certain to succeed.

Ans.—(i) Civilization means refinement of manner, improved arts, learning and physical and moral culture.

(ii) Civilization implies an ordered way of living so that our body, mind and soul may develop property.

(iii) The object of civilization is to make nobler and more beautiful.

(iv) Civilization : Indian civilization is very rich.

Beautiful : Civilization makes life more beautiful.

OR,

Title : Importance of Discipline

Discipline is one of the most important thing in everyone's life. It is a set of standard rules is set up by scholarly individuals.