Time: 15 mins+3hours
SSLC - ENGLISH
Marks: 100 Part - I
Choose the appropriate synonyms of the following:

1. The seagull's brother and sister were dozing.
a) diving
b) jumping
c) sleeping
d) screaming
2. I could see the faint shine of plates.
a) Fine
b) weak
c) bright
d) fresh
3. We had to Google it to learn more about the species.
a) Idea
b) search
c) buy
d) knowledge

Choose the appropriate antonyms of the following:
4. We had reached a point where the road was bifurcated .
a) Bisected
b) merged
c) divided
d) separated
5. They recited in unison
a) Consensus
b) conflict
c) concurrence
d) accord
6. There were footsteps outside the hall.
a) Beside
b) door side
c) inside
d) sideway
7. Choose the plural form of millennium from the following-
a) Millennium
b) millennia
c) millenni
d) millennius
8. Fill in the blank by adding prefix to the word given in bracket.

Beena rides a to school. [Cycle]
a) by
b) ist
c) bi
d) en
9. The common expansion of etc.
a) Ettcetra
b) et cetera
c) et cetra
d) et cetras
10. Fill in the blank with phrasal verb.

Doing $\qquad$ . every day in the morning keeps one healthy.
a) work up
b) warm up
c) clean up
d) warm through
11. Fill in the blank with correct compound word.

The health minister asked all the people to 'hand'.......often.
a) writing
b) wash
c) brush
d) paste
12. Fill in the blank with the appropriate preposition given below.

His feet sank $\qquad$ the green sea.
a) on
b) into
c) below
d) over
13. Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form.

Veena $\qquad$ eagerly $\qquad$ to meet her friend since morning.
a) have, been waiting b) is, waitingc) had waitedd) has, been waiting
14. Choose the appropriate linker form.

They faced many hardships $\qquad$ they always complained about them.
a) although
b) and
c) nevertheless
d) otherwise
Part - II
$2 \times 10=20$
Section - I (Prose)
$3 \times 2=6$

Answer any three of the following questions:
15. Mention the celebrations which the crew enjoyed during their expeditions.
16. What was written on the signboard of the tea shop??
17. What does Alisha suffer from? What are the words of Alisha about technology?
18. Who was Mr. Hudson? Why was she worried?
Section - II

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3 \times 2=6
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Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any THREE of the following:
19. And happy heart, that pays its toll

To youth and Age, and travels on with cheer.
a) Who pays the toll to whom?
b) What does make a cheerful travel here?
20. They growl at that and they growl at this

Whatever comes there is something amiss
a) What does the word 'growl' mean here?
b) Why do they find everything amiss?
21. Don't ever try to saw her pride, her self - respect.

She knows how to thaw you, saw you - so beware!
a) What do the words thaw and saw mean here?
b) What is the tone of the poetess?
22. Did you lay anything by, When the weather was warm?

Quoth the cricket, Not I!
a) What does 'lay by' mean?
b) What does 'quoth' mean?

> Section - III

Answer any THREE of the following.
23. Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice:

Do not eat junk food. Please eat raw vegetables.
24. Rewrite using indirect speech:

She said, "I must wash up".
25. Punctuate the following sentence :
i said no i $m$ not
26. Transform the following sentence into simple sentence:

I must get a visa. I can travel abroad.
27. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make a meaningful sentence:
a) Papers/ the teacher/ us the / answer / will give / next week.
b) Correctly / if / you/ the question/ give you / I will / a gift / answer.

## Section - IV

$1 \times 2=2$

## Answer the following question:

28. A stranger wants to visit the park. Write the steps to guide him to reach his destination.

Part - I - Section - I

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines:
29. Describe the funny incident that caused the confusion in the house.
30. 'Man does change with time' - what were the various changes that came about in Aditya?
31. "Technology is a boon to the disabled" - Justify.
32. How did Holmes trap Mr. Culverton Smith to confess the murder?

## Section - II

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines:
33. What qualities have made women powerful?
34. Describe the journey of life depicted in the poem by Henry Van Dyke?
35. Read the following stanza and answer the question:

A silly young cricket, accustomed to sing
Through the warm, sunny months of gay summer and spring
Began to complain when he found that, at home,
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.
i) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.
ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the above lines
iii) Identify the figure of speech employed in the $1^{\text {st }}$ line
iv) Pick out the alliterated words in the $2^{\text {nd }}$ line
36. Paraphrase the following stanza:

Remember they have eyes like ours that wake.
Or sleep, and strength that can be won
By love. In every land is common life
That all can recognize and understand.

## Section - III

Answer any ONE of the following:

## $1 \times 5=5$

37. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.
i. He wanted Tom to pay for his funeral.
ii. The letter read that the box contained a sensitive dynamite.
iii. Tom's uncle announced Tom as his heir.
iv. He asked Tom to read the letter before opening the box.
v. His uncle collected precious stones and kept safe in an iron box.

## 38. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

Holland is a country where much of the land lies below sea level. Only great walls called dikes keep the North Sea from rushing in and flooding the land. For centuries the people of Holland have worked to keep the walls strong so that their country will be safe and dry. Even little children know the dikes must be watched every moment, and that a hole no longer than your finger can be a very dangerous thing.

Questions

1. In which country, much of the land lies below sea level?
2. What keeps Holland safe from the North Sea?
3. Why did people work for centuries to keep the walls strong?
4. What do even the little children know?
5. What can be a very dangerous thing? Section - IV

## Answer any FOUR of the following.

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

Mouthwatering - Indian - Arabian - Tandoori - sea foods - hygienic preparation - delicious food affordable prices - Bamboo family restaurant,Kumbakonam.
40. Write a complaint to the officer of the Municipality to take immediate action for cleaning drainage stagnation in your locality.
41. You are Mithra/Mithran, Secretary of Rainbow Apartments, Main Road, Kumbakonam. Water supply will be suspended for ten hours ( 10 am to 6 pm ) on $16^{\text {th }}$ of April for cleaning the water tank. Write a notice in about 50 words advising the residents to store water a day
42. Look at the picture and express your views in five sentences.


## 43. Write a summary of the following passage.

We do not realize the fact that our minds are moulded by the books we read. In fact, we have several means by which we acquire knowledge today - the radio, the TV., the newspaper and magazines the internet etc. But reading books is the most ancient and the most effective of them all. Reading a book is different and it is an activity, which gives us immense pleasure. We are never alone when we have the company of books. In the modern world we have very little time. When we have a little leisure, we watch T. V., gossip or run to parties, clubs or other social activities. We are afraid to be alone with ourselves, afraid to sit quietly and think. We are happy with others but not with ourselves. Reading a book on such an occasion gives us the comfort of good company and true pleasure.
44. Identify and correct the errors.
a) One of the novel is very interesting.
b) He has grey hairs.
c) I am born on 1967 .
d) Children should listened to their parent.
e) I prefer rasagulla than gulabjamoon.

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\text { Section }- \text { V(Compulsory }) \quad 1 \times 5=5
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45. Quote from memory:

Let me but. in fear

## Part IV (Supplementary)

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2 \times 8=16
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46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing hints.
a. . Chinese Emperor - one member - family - join army - Mulan - teen girl - trained Kung Fu joins - disguise - boy - wins battles - general - sick - doctor - reveals identity - emperor forgives reunites family - six horses and swords. (OR)
b. Prospero and daughter - exiled -Antonio - help - Gonzalo - released - good spirits - Ariel Chief - tempest - wreck - enemies strip - Ferdinand - Miranda - Antonio repented - Prospero restored dukedom.

## 47. Read the following paragraph and answer the questions:

If there is one single factor responsible for the alarming raise in heart attacks among young seemingly
healthy Indians it is smoking, for patients younger than forty, smoking was the number one cause for myocardial infarction which occurs when blood flow decreases or stops to a part of the heart, causing damage to the heart muscle. While the number of people who smoke, has dropped almost 40 percent in the west over last decade, it has astonishingly doubled in India over the same period. Smoking a pack of cigarettes a day, makes you seven times more vulnerable to heart disease than a non - smoker. A person who gives up smoking, can within a year, reduce the risk of factor to that of a non-smoker.
a) Why is smoking harmful to young and healthy people?
b) What is the change that has taken place in the west during the last decade?
c) How can a person reduce the chances of having a heart attack?
d) Mean the term 'myocardial infarction'. (OR)

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below:
A wealthy city mouse once came
To view his country cousin's clutter
He stayed for lunch but all they ate
Were sandwiches of peanut butter
You call that lunch? The rich mouse said,
Call this a house? He laughed with glee,
Come into town tonight, he said,
Stop up a notch and visit me!
Questions:
a. Who is the guest and who is the host here?
b. What is the mice's breakfast?
c. Where did the city mouse invite his cousin?

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d. Does the city mouse like the place and food?

