

**Answer Key**  
**SSLC English First Terminal Evaluation 2019**

**Questions 1 -5**

1. The birds would flock into the branches of the banyan tree **in the spring, when the banyan tree was full of small red figs.**
2. The word **'squabble'** means 'noisy quarrel'. ('Noisy quarrel' is a noun phrase, so the word should be in the noun form. But there is noun or noun equivalent of the word in the passage, **squabbling** is a present participle in the passage)
3. **The boy read books** while sitting on the platform on the banyan tree.
4. During the fig season, **birds of all kinds would flock into the branches of the banyan tree and squabble with each other all the time** making the banyan tree the noisiest place on the road.
5. The books that gave the boy a mixed reading experience include **'The Treasure Island', 'Huckleberry Finn', 'The Mowgli Stories', and the novels of Edgar Rice Burroughs and Louisa May Alcott.**

**Questions 6 – 9**

6. The expression 'a thousand blended notes' means **'a wide variety of different sounds' or 'lots of varied and mixed sounds'.**
7. While the poet was enjoying the pleasant sights and sounds of the nature, **he could not altogether forget the reality of the man's world and what man has made of man.** This brought sad thoughts into his mind.
8. An example of the auditory image can be seen in **'I heard a thousand blended notes'.**
9. **"To her fair works did Nature link / The human soul that through me ran."** These lines tell us that Nature is linked to human souls.
10. **Appreciation Note of the poem 'Lines Written in the Early Spring' focusing on the theme, imagery and other poetic devices.**
11. The man sent his sons to look at a **peer tree that was a great distance away** to learn the lesson of life.
12. The second son described **that the tree was covered with green buds and full of blossoms that smelled so sweet and looked so beautiful.** In his opinion, **it was the most graceful thing he had ever seen.**
13. **In autumn season, the tree was covered with red leaves** and the floor was carpeted with golden leaves.
14. **None of his sons could describe the tree with all its appearances, beauty and benefits. Each could see only one seasonal appearance of the tree.** So the man said that no one can judge a tree by only one season.
15. **The father gave the message to his sons that no one could judge a tree or a man by only one season, but only could measure at the end when all the seasons were up.** Or, No one should judge any person or thing without knowing fully about the person or the thing.
16. **Profile of William Wordsworth**
17. **The boy narrates the event to his friends from his perspective: Prepare the narrative from the First Person perspective.**
18. Prepare a Write-up with a suitable Title.
19. Prepare a diary entry in the correct format expressing the boy's excitement over the thrilling fight between the cobra and the mongoose.
20. Prepare a news report in the correct format with an apt Headline

21. Prepare a programme notice in the correct format with the headline 'Three Day Literary Festival'.
22. Prepare a conversation between a journalist and the homoeopath. **Note:** though the journalist is his friend, the dialogues must not be like in a friendly chat. The conversation is between a journalist and a homoeopath, and the sentences should be suitable to the context.
23. Prepare a questionnaire of at least SIX questions. The questions to Ray should be related to the shooting of the film 'Goopy Gyne and Bhaga Byne'.
24. Prepare a Speech in the exact format on the subject 'The need of living in harmony with nature'.  
**Note:** The speech is to be delivered in the school assembly. So, address the people possibly present in a school assembly.
25. Prepare the character sketch of the homoeopath. **Note:** should be included: the character's role in the story-physical appearance-personal traits-mannerism etc.

### Questions 26 – 30

26. For eating and sleeping.
27. 10 % of the time.
28. For fitness exercises and Field work.
29. 15 % of the time ( If a student writes the answer as '10% for relaxing', it cannot be wrong as 'relaxing' will improve 'fitness')
30. 37.50 %
31. a) The Grandfather asked the boy why he looked very excited. b) The boy replied (His reply was) that he had seen a thrilling fight between a snake and a mongoose.
32. a. made up his mind b. put forward c. taken aback d. put on
33. a. in b. had c. coming out of d. slowly
34. a) you **will be** bed-ridden. / you **will be** in more trouble. / your problems **will increase**. etc. b) don't you?  
c) **go** for a surgery. / **consult** a surgeon. etc. (had better + bare infinitive/ base form verb) d) Why can't you try to get a loan from your company? e) What should I do then?
35. Noun Phrase in the subject position: a) A fat snake b) The owners of the dogs.
36. a) in b) of c) the d) on