SSLC STATE LEVEL PREPARATORY EXAMINATION, FEB-2025

Second Language English (31E)

Key to Answers

Q.No	Value points	Marks
I. 1	D) Aren't they?	1
2	B) Request	1
3	C) would have	1
4	A) to get	1
II. 5	book	1
6	table	1
7	Pronoun	1
8	distribution	1
9	was treating	1
10	at	1
11	but	1
12	the	1
13	Pradyumna has booked the train. / Any meaningful sentence.	1
14	Football was played by Armaan.	1
15	Ashlesh is more kind hearted than any other gentleman in the village.	1
16	Sachin replied Mahesh that he was going to bring his children from their school.	1
III. 17	a. hole - whole	1
	b. eager - eagerly	1
IV. 18	Don Anselmo's house was small, wretched but quaint. His orchard was gnarled and beautiful. A little creek ran through his land. He was the oldest person in the village. Almost everyone there was related to him and all the children of Rio en Medio were his nieces and nephews.	1
19	Ambedkar had a great skill in the field of law and legislation. He had the vision of social justice and it was a tribute to the success of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar's own campaigns against social justice. So he is called as 'Modern Manu'.	1
20	Satish came to be popularly known as Satish Gujral. He is one of the the famous artists in India. He is an accomplished artist with several forms of art like painting, sculpture and architecture. He is also a writer. Exhibitions of his works have been held all over the world and displayed in prestigious museums like the Museum of Modern Art, New York, the Hiroshima Collection, Washington and the National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi. He has published four books of his works in various arts.	1
21	He learnt that there were people all over the world, who thought and acted the way he did. So he never felt lonely abroad. He also realized that while there is science there is hope for the survival of mankind.	1

22	In space, there would be no day and night and there would be no seasons. So there would be no need for any calendar or clock.	1 1
23	The 'Mysterious parcel' contained a 'cyclostyle machine'. The police suspected that Mohan and his family were making copies of Mahatma's speech. They also suspected that some people were hiding these.	1
	Dolma said that an Everester can feel and understand, but cannot be described in words. It was much breath taking that she could ever be imagined. The awards that she had bestowed stand very low before the view from the above.	
24	Haniff dabbled in art, sketched very well. He made beautiful cards out of waste material. He read books and loved playing drums.	1 1
	As the bind of Happiness caressed Wangjia, his eyeballs flew back to their sockets, he saw much more brightly than before. All his wounds were healed and he was stronger than ever.	
V. 25	Swami inevitably had to sleep in the office room. He spent that tight with the fear of the devils and the nightmares. Then He saw something moving in darkness. He thought that his end had come and the devil had come to carry him away. Finally as an attempt for survival he hugged it with all his might, and used his teeth as mortal weapon on it. It was not the devil but the burglar who cried with agony and fell amidst the furniture with a bleeding ankle. The notorious house breaker of the district was arrested by the police. The police were grateful to him. His classmates looked upon him with respect, his teacher patted him and his headmaster appreciated that he was a true scout. Thus unknowingly Swami became a 'hero' overnight.	1/2 For expres sion 21/2- answe r
26.	The poem 'Grandma Climbs a Tree' is written by Ruskin Bond. He wrote so many poems in English. In this poem he calls his grandmother as "genius" because she could climb a tree. Even at the age of 62, she was passionate to climb a tree and learn it from her loving brother at the age of six. Everybody feared that granny would fall from a tree one day. One day she climbed a tree but could not come down. After the rescue the doctor recommended her rest for a week. But for granny it was like brief season in hell. She demanded a house to be built in a tree. The poets father who was dutiful, fulfill his mother's wish, so that granny moved up and enjoyed as her wish.	½ For expres sion 2½- answe r
VI. 27	a. The COP	1
	b. Roma Talrejac. She was thrown out of the coach and badly injured. She became unconscious.	1
28.	a. Smitha's aunt Sushila	1
	b. Smithac. Because Smitha was worried about Ananth. She was thinking about the possible ways to take Ananth to the concert.	1
29	a. Pepe	1
	b. Columbus	1

	c. The seamen drank too much and they became home sick. They were ready to kill Columbus because he was not allowing them to go back to Spain.	1			
30	a. Sailors.	1			
	b. Because of the violent storm.	1			
	c. A private room on a ship or boat.	1			
VII. 31	Grammatically correct, meaningful and relevant sentences including all the clues.	3			
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IX. 33	Grammatical correct, meaningful and relevant sentences.				
X. 34	You talk of wondrous things to see,	1			
	You say the sun shines bright;	1			
	I feel him warm, but how can he	1			
	Or make it day or night?	1			
	His scepter shows the force of temporal power,	1			
	The attribute to owe and majesty,	1			
	Wherein doth sit the dread and fear of kings;	1			
	But mercy is above this sceptered sway;	1			
XI. 35	a. They have to go to their offices or schools everyday by train, car or bus. They have get up earlier in the morning and reach home later in the evening. These are the disadvantages of living outside London.	2			
	b. A person, who likes gardens, can spend one's free time digging, planting, watering and doing the hundred and one another jobs which are needed in a garden.	2			
XII. 36	The poem "The Song of India" was written by V.K.Gokak. The poem is like a dialogue between Mother India and the poet. In this poem the poet wants to present glorious picture of the past and also wishes to paint India's natural beauty. As Indians we can rightly be proud of our country's natural beauty, Its Rich cultural heritage, its ancient wisdom, It's glorious freedom struggle and its industrial progress. As the same time we should not ignore the numerous ills affecting our motherland Like Poverty disease, environmental degradation, ignorance, illiteracy, unemployment, caste, and class conflicts and a hundred forms of exploitation. We should try to eradicate them as far as possible. As poet said our mother India has to write the book of our destiny, cancelling all our sorrow. Tomorrow should be clear dawnOur nightmare should flee in the night. We have to write our bright future.	4			

	The poem 'I am the land' is written by Marina de Bellagenta. In this poem the poet depicts the mother earth as the speaker. Mother earth tells that she waits with patience when people claim that the land belongs to them. They occupy the land, plough, plant trees, grow fruits and grass. The children dance and play on the land. The land bears everything without a complaint. The soldiers come with guns fighting for the land. People build fences on the land to divide nations which suffocates like chains in her neck. But mother earth mocks at the people's behavior with a tone of self-assertion.	
	The poem 'Jazz Poem Two' written by Carl Wendall Hines, Jr. In this poem an old Jazz musician is standing like a Black Ancient mariner. His old face is wrinkled and weary. His faded blue shirt has turned dark with sweat His stomach is hanging loosely. His jacket is torn out and his necktie is undone and dropping loosely over the jacket. His shoes are torn and are stuffed with paper to cover the holes. His rough unshaven face shows pain. He stands alone head down, eyes closed and ears perked. An old saxophone hangs across his chest supported from his neck by a wire coat hanger. He gently lifts the saxophone to the parted lips. But once he starts playing music he is no longer a Black man but a bird which gathers his wings and flies high and higher. He seems to be spreading the message of God through his music.	
XIII. 37	Grammatically correct, meaningful sentences relevant to the topic given.	4
XIV.	From and to address	1
38	Salutation	1
	Body of the letter	2
	Subscription	1

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