

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

Instructions:

1. The question paper has 4 sections and 33 questions. Answer all the questions.
2. Section A: 20 multiple choice questions of 1 mark each (Q 1–15 grammar and vocabulary; Q 16–20 reading).
3. Section B: 4 questions of 2 marks each. Section C: 5 questions of 4 marks each.
4. Section D: 4 questions of 8 marks each, with internal choice.
5. Answer the grammar questions in the same order at one place in your answer book.

SECTION – A

20 × 1 = 20

Choose the correct answer and write its letter.

1. Jahnavi _____ to go to school very much.
A) want B) wanted C) wanting D) has want
2. Helen Keller was _____ American writer.
A) a B) an C) the D) no article
3. The spider tried to reach its web _____ the roof.
A) on B) in C) at D) into
4. Doctor Dolittle _____ to animals every day.
A) talk B) talks C) talking D) talked to talk
5. "I will try again," said the king. The reported form is:
A) The king said that he would try again.
B) The king said that I will try again.
C) The king told that he tries again.
D) The king said he will tried again.
6. The teacher helped Jahnavi. (Choose the passive voice.)
A) Jahnavi helped the teacher.
B) Jahnavi was helped by the teacher.
C) Jahnavi is helped the teacher.
D) The teacher was helped by Jahnavi.
7. The river was _____ than the small stream near the village.
A) wide B) wider C) widest D) most wide
8. Choose the correct question tag: Helen could not see, _____?
A) could she B) couldn't she C) can she D) did she
9. The synonym of 'brave' is
A) fearful B) courageous C) lazy D) weak
10. The antonym of 'failure' is
A) defeat B) success C) loss D) mistake

11. Choose the correctly spelt word.
A) recieve B) receive C) receeve D) riceive
12. The plural of 'child' is
A) childs B) children C) childrens D) childes
13. Polynesia, the parrot, taught the doctor _____ language of animals.
A) a B) an C) the D) no article
14. King Bruce felt sad _____ he had lost many battles.
A) because B) but C) or D) although
15. If you try again, you _____ succeed.
A) will B) would C) had D) were

Read the following passage and answer Questions 16 – 20 by choosing the correct option.

Every evening, Bhavani and her friends play near the old banyan tree at the edge of their village near Rajahmundry. The tree is so big that its roots hang down like ropes, and the children swing on them. Birds of many kinds live in its branches. Last summer, some people wanted to cut the tree to widen the road. The children wrote a letter to the village sarpanch and explained how the tree gave shade, fresh air and a home to birds. The sarpanch was moved. The road was built around the tree, and now there is a small bench under it for the elders to rest.

16. Where do Bhavani and her friends play?
A) in the school ground
B) near the old banyan tree
C) on the river bank
D) in the market
17. The children swing on the tree's
A) branches B) hanging roots C) leaves D) fruits
18. Why did some people want to cut the tree?
A) to build a house
B) to widen the road
C) to sell the wood
D) to make a playground
19. Whom did the children write to?
A) the teacher
B) the collector
C) the village sarpanch
D) the newspaper
20. What was placed under the tree in the end?
A) a swing B) a bench C) a water tank D) a statue

SECTION – B

4 × 2 = 8

21. In 'The Day the River Spoke', why could Jahnavi not go to school?
22. In 'Three Days to See', what would Helen Keller like to see on the first day?
23. Combine the two sentences using 'who': Helen Keller was blind and deaf. She wrote many books.
24. Change into reported speech: The doctor said to the parrot, "Teach me the language of birds."

SECTION – C**5 × 4 = 20**

25. Read the following stanza and answer the questions that follow.

*King Bruce of Scotland flung himself down
In a lonely mood to think;
'Tis true he was a monarch, and wore a crown,
But his heart was beginning to sink.*

- i) Who was King Bruce?
- ii) What was his mood?
- iii) Pick out two pairs of rhyming words.
- iv) Name the poem and the poet.

26. Read the passage and answer the questions.

Doctor Dolittle was a doctor in a small town called Puddleby. He loved animals and kept many pets in his house — rabbits, a duck, a dog, a pig and a parrot named Polynesia. Slowly his human patients stopped coming, because they did not like sitting with animals in the waiting room. One day Polynesia told him that animals have their own language. That gave the doctor a wonderful idea.

- i) Where did Doctor Dolittle live?
- ii) Why did his patients stop coming?
- iii) What was the name of the parrot?
- iv) What do you think was the doctor's 'wonderful idea'?

27. Edit the following passage. Correct the underlined errors.

Jahnavi live (a) in a small village by the river. Every day she watch (b) her brothers go to school. One morning the river speak (c) to her. It told her to (d) be brave and walk into the school.

28. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs given in brackets.

Yesterday our class (a) _____ (go) to the library. We (b) _____ (read) stories about brave children. Our teacher (c) _____ (tell) us about Helen Keller. We all (d) _____ (feel) inspired.

29. Answer any TWO of the following in 40 to 50 words each.

- a) What lesson did King Bruce learn from the spider? (Try Again)
- b) How did Helen Keller 'see' the world without her eyes? (Three Days to See)
- c) How did Doctor Dolittle become a famous animal doctor? (Animals, Birds, and Dr. Dolittle)

SECTION – D**4 × 8 = 32**

Each question has an internal choice. Answer either (A) or (B).

30. A) Write a letter to your friend describing how you spent your Dasara holidays.

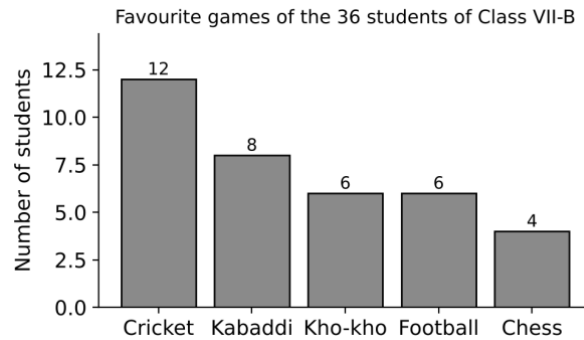
(OR)

B) Write a letter to the Headmaster of your school requesting him to start a reading club.

31. A) Imagine you are Jahnavi. Write a diary entry about your first day at school.

(OR)

B) Study the bar graph and write a paragraph of about 80–100 words about the favourite games of the students of Class VII-B.



32. A) Write a conversation between you and your friend about the importance of trying again after failing.

(OR)

B) Write a short story in about 120 words using these hints: a little ant — carries a big grain — falls again and again — does not give up — reaches its home — lesson.

33. A) Narrate the story 'The Day the River Spoke' in your own words.

(OR)

B) What would you like to see if you had only three days of sight, like Helen Keller imagined? Write in about 150 words.

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