

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. The doctor _____ himself in the mirror when the snake fell on his shoulder.
A) admire B) was admiring C) admires D) have admired
2. Einstein _____ the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1921.
A) win B) wins C) won D) winning
3. The Happy Prince stood high _____ the city on a tall column.
A) above B) under C) into D) between
4. Kezia's father was _____ strict man.
A) a B) an C) the D) no article
5. "Where are you going?" the doctor asked the snake. The reported form is:
A) The doctor asked the snake where it was going.
B) The doctor asked the snake where are you going.
C) The doctor said the snake where it is going.
D) The doctor asked where was the snake going.
6. Evelyn Glennie gives free concerts in prisons and hospitals. (Choose the passive voice.)
A) Free concerts are given by Evelyn Glennie in prisons and hospitals.
B) Free concerts were given by Evelyn Glennie.
C) Free concerts is given by Evelyn Glennie.
D) Evelyn Glennie is given free concerts.
7. Each of the students _____ a book.
A) have B) has C) are having D) were having
8. _____ I come in, sir? (Choose the modal of permission.)
A) Must B) May C) Should D) Would
9. Choose the correct question tag: Toto was a naughty monkey, _____?
A) was he B) wasn't he C) isn't he D) didn't he
10. The synonym of 'devour' is
A) eat hungrily B) throw away C) cook slowly D) share

11. The antonym of 'cruel' is
A) kind B) harsh C) rude D) brave
12. Choose the correctly spelt word.
A) neccessary B) necessary C) necessary D) nesessary
13. The adjective form of 'fame' is
A) famed B) famous C) famously D) fames
14. The grandfather _____ Toto from a tonga-driver for five rupees.
A) bought B) brought C) buyed D) buys
15. If I were a bird, I _____ fly in the sky.
A) will B) would C) shall D) can

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

Lakshmi lived in a fishing village near Machilipatnam. Her father went out to sea every morning before sunrise in a small wooden boat. One evening a storm began, and his boat did not return. The whole village gathered on the beach with lanterns. Lakshmi remembered that her father always told her the old lighthouse could guide boats home in bad weather. The lighthouse keeper was ill that night, so she ran up the steps and lit the lamp herself, just as she had seen him do. An hour later, three boats, including her father's, came safely to the shore. The villagers called her the brave girl of the lighthouse.

16. Where did Lakshmi live?
A) in a hill station
B) in a fishing village near Machilipatnam
C) in a city
D) on an island
17. When did her father go to sea?
A) every evening
B) every morning before sunrise
C) only on Sundays
D) at midnight
18. Why did Lakshmi light the lamp herself?
A) The keeper was ill.
B) She wanted to play.
C) The villagers told her to.
D) The lamp was broken.
19. How many boats came back safely?
A) one B) two C) three D) four
20. The villagers called Lakshmi
A) the lucky girl
B) the brave girl of the lighthouse
C) the fisher girl
D) the lighthouse keeper

SECTION – B

4 × 2 = 8

21. In 'The Snake and the Mirror', why did the doctor decide to shave and look handsome?
22. In 'A Truly Beautiful Mind', why did Einstein leave the school in Munich?

23. Combine the two sentences using 'which': The Happy Prince was a statue. It was covered with gold leaves.
24. Change into reported speech: Kezia said to her grandmother, "I don't want to go to the drawing-room."

SECTION – C

5 × 4 = 20

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

*When the humid shadows hover
Over all the starry spheres
And the melancholy darkness
Gently weeps in rainy tears,
What a bliss to press the pillow
Of a cottage-chamber bed
And lie listening to the patter
Of the soft rain overhead!
(Rain on the Roof — Coates Kinney)*

- i) What does 'humid shadows' refer to?
- ii) What does the poet like to do when it rains?
- iii) Pick out the words that show the darkness is sad.
- iv) Write the rhyming words in the stanza (any two pairs).
26. Read the passage and answer the questions.
- The Happy Prince was a statue that stood high above the city. His eyes were two bright sapphires and a large red ruby glowed on his sword-hilt. When he was alive he had lived in a palace where sorrow was not allowed to enter. Now, from his high place, he could see all the misery of the city, and though his heart was made of lead, he could not help weeping. A little swallow who stopped to rest at his feet agreed to help him give away his jewels and gold to the poor.
- (Based on: The Happy Prince)
- i) What were the Happy Prince's eyes made of?
- ii) Why was he called the 'Happy' Prince when he was alive?
- iii) Why did the statue weep?
- iv) Who helped the Prince, and how?
27. Edit the following passage. Correct the underlined errors.
- The doctor live (a) in a small rented room. One night he hear (b) a dull sound, and a snake fall (c) on his shoulder. He sit (d) like a stone statue without moving.
28. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs given in brackets.
- Grandfather (a) _____ (buy) Toto for five rupees. He (b) _____ (keep) him in a cupboard, but Toto (c) _____ (tear) the wallpaper. Grandfather finally (d) _____ (sell) him back to the tonga-driver.
29. Answer any TWO of the following in 40 to 50 words each.
- a) How did the guru save his disciple from being put to death in 'In the Kingdom of Fools'?
- b) Why did God call the dead bird and the leaden heart the most precious things in the city? (The Happy Prince)
- c) What did the poet of 'The Lake Isle of Innisfree' long for? (Poem)

SECTION – D**4 × 8 = 32**

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

30. A) Write a letter to your grandfather telling him about your new school and your new friends.

(OR)

B) Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner complaining about the stray dogs near your school.

31. A) Imagine you are the doctor in 'The Snake and the Mirror'. Write a diary entry about that frightening night.

(OR)

B) Describe your favourite season and why you like it.

32. A) Write a conversation between Kezia and her grandmother after her father helped her when she had a nightmare.

(OR)

B) Write a short story in about 150 words using these hints: two friends — a lost puppy in the rain — they take it home — parents first angry — puppy becomes part of the family.

33. A) Narrate the story 'In the Kingdom of Fools' in your own words.

(OR)

B) Write the story of the Happy Prince and the little swallow in your own words. What message does it give?

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