



8. Choose the correct expansion of GDP  
 a) Gross domestic product      b) Gross domestic purchase  
 c) Great demand for purchase    d) Great domestic purchase
9. Choose the meaning of the foreign word in the sentence English is the lingua Franca of many countries.  
 a) Mother tongue                      b) Foreign language  
 c) Unknown language                d) Common language
10. Choose the right combination for the blended word "diplonomics".  
 a) Diplo + economics                b) Diplomacy + economy  
 c) Diplo + economy                  d) Diplomacy + economics
11. Choose the clipped word for "pianoforte"  
 a) Fort                                      b) Fite  
 c) Piano                                    d) Piaforte
12. 'Study of codes' is called \_\_\_\_\_  
 a) Cynology                              b) Cryptology  
 c) Criminology                         d) Cytology
13. Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word "argue".  
 a) Contra                                 b) Counter  
 c) Bi                                         d) Pre
14. Fill in the blanks with a suitable relative pronoun. He \_\_\_\_\_ hesitates is lost.  
 a) Whose                                 b) Whom  
 c) Who                                      d) That
15. Fill in the blanks with a suitable preposition.  
 Here is the watch that you asked \_\_\_\_\_  
 a) Of                                        b) From  
 c) For                                        d) At
16. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement.  
 Let's go to the beach \_\_\_\_?  
 a) Don't we                              b) Do we  
 c) Shall we                                d) Didn't we
17. Choose the suitable meaning or the idiom found in the following sentence.  
 When asked to reconsider his decision, he put his foot down. a)  
 Accepted                                 b) Refused  
 c) Felt happy                              d) Grew angry
18. Substitute the underlined word with the appropriate polite alternative.  
 She is a felt woman.  
 a) Bulky                                    b) Obese  
 c) Full - figured                         d) Heavy weight

19. Choose the correct sentence pattern for the following sentence.  
The Headmaster sent the latecomer out.
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| a) SVCA | h) SVOA   |
| c) SVOC | d) SVIGDO |
20. Fill in the blank with a suitable phrasal verb  
Prajeeth is \_\_\_\_\_ a placement in Australia.
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| a) Longing on  | b) Longing to |
| c) Longing for | d) Longing of |

PART II / Section - 1

Read the following sets of poetic line and answer any four from it. (4 x 2 = 8)

21. "Out gates are strong, our walls were thick,  
So smooth and high, no man could win"
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| a) How safe was the castle?                 |
| b) What was the firm belief of the soldier? |
22. A creeper climbs, in whose embrace bound  
No other tree could live."
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| a. Which tree is referred to in the above lines?            |
| b. How does the tree survive the tight hold of the creeper? |
23. Then the whining school boy, with his sachel  
And shinning morning face, creeping like snail unwillingly to school".
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| a. Which stage of life is being referred to here by the poet? |
| b. What are the characteristics of this stage?                |
24. \_\_\_\_\_ for my purpose holds,  
To sail beyond the sunset, and the baths  
Of all the western stars, until I die.
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| a. What was ulysses' purpose in life? |
| b. How long would his venture last?   |
25. 'Let him have lazy days seeking his deeper motives  
Let him seek deep for where he is born natural"
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| a. Why does the son need lazy days?        |
| b. What is the figure of speech used here? |
26. 'A film the mother eagle's eye  
When her bruised eaglet breathes"
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| a. Who is compared to the mother eagle in the above lines? |
| b. What are the alliterated words?                         |

Section - 2

Answer any three of the following questions.

(3 x 2 = 6)

27. Report the following dialogue.

Customer : do you have a thesaurus.

Shop owner : Yes. We have. Which publication do you want?

28. I was ill. I did not attend the exam. (combine using 'if')

29. Rewrite the sentence making an inversion in the conditional clause.

30. If I had a car, I would drop you.

I watched a fantastic movie (Change the following into a complex sentence).

PART III / Section - 1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.

(2 x 3 = 6)

31. "They seemed no threat to us at all",

32. "Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel, seeking the bubble reputation"

33. I'm killed, sire! "And his chief beside

Smiling, the boy fell dead.

Section - 2

Answer any two of the following questions in about 30 words each.

34. What were the various jobs undertaken by Nicola and Jacopo?

35. How did the hospitalization of Dr. Barnard and his wife affect their routine?

36. Define liberty as perceived by A.G. Gardiner.

Section - 3

Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each.

37. Study the pie chart given and answer the questions that follow.

Favorite sports of students



a. Which is the most favourite game of the students?

b. Name the game prepared by the least number of students?

- c. Which two games have equal number of students?
38. Write a dialogue of minimum 3 exchanges between a student and a cultural secretary.
39. Describe the process of preparing onion raita.
40. Complete the proverbs using the word given below.
- (a) Brevity is the \_\_\_\_\_ of wit (base, soul, root)
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_ alone triumphs (truth, god, love)
- (c) A man is known by the \_\_\_\_\_ he keeps (company, neighbour, relatives)

#### PART IV

Answer the following questions.

(7 x 5 = 35)

Answer in a paragraph in about 150 words

41. Justify the title of the story "Two gentlemen of Verona".  
(or)  
How does George L. Hart justify the statement that Tamil is a classical language?
42. Describe the various stages of a man's life picturised in the poem "All the World's a Stage".  
(or)  
The young soldier matched his emperor in courage and patriotism. Elucidate your answer.
43. Write the paragraph in about 150 words by developing the following hints.  
Ivan Dimitrich Aksionov - merchant in Vladimir - prone to drinking - goes to fair on business - meets another merchant - retire separately - stopped by the police - charged of murder and robbery - sentenced and sent to Siberia - 26 years in jail - new prisoner maker senyonich - admits his crime - Aksionov dies.  
(or)

Group of school children - planet Venus raining for seven years - predicted sun - for two hours - children in activity - margot thin girl- not mingling - children locked her in a closet - sun appeared - children played - rain clouds appeared - unlocked the closet - margot came out - power of sun.

44. Write a summary (or) make notes of the following passage.

The aim of education is to enable the human personality to grow to its full stature. We have a body, a mind and a spirit. Accordingly, education aims at our physical, intellectual, spiritual and moral development.

Games are a means of keeping the body healthy and fit. Physical fitness and freedom from all kinds of ailments are the desire and ambition of every human being. Indeed, good health is the first condition of happiness in life. Those who play games generally maintain good health. Games are an excellent means of

bodily exercise. Whether it is sophisticated games like hockey, football and tennis or simple games like Kabaddi, they provide the much needed exercise to the body and thus keep the body healthy and strong. Players always have a better appetite and a better digestion than those who play no games or do exercises. Games not only make the body healthy and strong, but also make it muscular.

45. You have got a job offer for the post of clerk at Cheyyar Constructions Pvt Ltd, Mount Road, Chennai - 2, but cannot join on time due to some urgent work at home. Write a letter to the HR (Human Resource Manager) of that company, and in your letter.

Say why you are writing

Explain your situation

What you want to request from Manager (write XXX for your name and YYY for your address).

(or)

Write a paragraph of 150 words on "Newspaper Reading".

46. Spot the errors and rewrite the sentences correctly

(a) He gave a lot of advices (b) I

have finished my meals (c) They

discussed about politics

(d) Though he is ill, but he attends the class.

(e) If they had contacted me, I would help them.

(or)

Fill in the blanks correctly

(a) I can't \_\_\_\_\_ the heat, if I want on \_\_\_\_\_ foot. (bare, bear)

(b) \_\_\_\_\_ you excuse me for a moment? (use a modal verb)

(c) You \_\_\_\_\_ not lose any more weight. You are already slim (use a semi modal verb)

(d) My brother \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a bike recently (use a proper tense)

47. Identify each of the following sentences with the fields given below:

(a) India, U.K. Oncologists collaborate

(b) Ganesha idols immersed

(c) Kejriwal wins the conference vote

(d) Sunflower oils cuts down cholesterol

(e) Green tea plantation in Ooty.

(Health, Medicine, Agriculture, Religion, Politics)

(or)

Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words.

Kabbadi is a contact team sport that originated in Tamil Nadu. It is the national sport of Bangladesh. Kabbadi is played between two teams of seven players, the objective of the game is for a single player on offence referred to as a 'raider' to run in to the opposing teams half of a court, tag out as many of their defenders as possible, and return to their own half of the court-all without being tackled by the defenders. Points are scored for each player tagged by the raider, while the opposing team earns a point for stopping the raider. Players are taken out of the game, if they are tagged or tackled, but can be revived for each point scored by their team from a tag or tackle. The raider should hold his breath and utter the words like "Kabbadi, Kabbadi" "hututu hututu, chadu kudu", etc., while the opponents try to catch him. If he stops uttering those words, he is considered out.

- (a) Kabbadi is a national sport of \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Kabbadi is played between two teams of \_\_\_\_\_ players.
- (c) How does a raider score points for his team?
- (d) When does a raider concede a point to the opponent team?
- (e) Can a player be revived when he/she is out of the game?

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