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कुल प्रश्न : 100 + 7 = 107

Total Questions : 100 + 7 = 107

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[Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes]

कुल मुद्रित पृष्ठ : 20

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[Full Marks : 100]

Instructions to the candidate :

1. **Candidate must enter his / her Question Booklet Serial No. (10 Digits) in the OMR Answer Sheet.**
2. **Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.**
3. **Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.**
4. **An extra time of 15 minutes has been allotted for the candidates to read the questions carefully.**
5. **This question booklet is divided into two sections — Section-A and Section-B.**

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6. **In Section-A, there are 100 objective type questions, out of which any 50 questions are to be answered. If more than 50 questions are answered, then only first 50 will be evaluated. Each question carries 1 mark. For answering these darken the circle with blue / black ball pen against the correct option on OMR Answer Sheet provided to you. Do not use whitener / liquid / blade / nail etc. on OMR Answer Sheet, otherwise the result will be treated as invalid.**
7. **In Section - B, there are 7 Descriptive Type Questions. While answering the questions, candidates should adhere to the word limit as far as practicable.**
8. **Use of any electronic appliances is strictly prohibited.**

SECTION - A

(Objective Type Questions)

Question Nos. 1 to 100 have four options out of which only one is correct. You have to mark your selected option on the OMR Sheet. Out of 100 questions you have to attempt only 50 questions. 50 × 1 = 50

Reminder : The candidate should choose only one of the four options given below :

1. Neither you nor he to blame.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) is (B) are
(C) has (D) have
2. Oil and water not mix.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) do (B) does
(C) have (D) were
3. Rakesh is intelligent boy.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) some
4. I bought pen yesterday.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) more
5. It since last evening.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) rain (B) had rained
(C) has been raining (D) is raining

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6. Have you him ?
(Choose the correct option)
(A) see (B) seeing
(C) saw (D) seen
7. She was by a dog.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) bite (B) bit
(C) bitten (D) biting
8. Do not hanker wealth.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) for (B) after
(C) by (D) upon
9. We must abstain drinking.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) of (B) off
(C) from (D) with
10. She told me, "Are you tired ?"
(Choose the correct indirect speech)
(A) She asks me why I was tired
(B) She asked me whether I was tired
(C) She is asking me if I was tired
(D) She asking me when I was tired
11. Raakhi is to sing a song.
(Choose the correct passive voice)
(A) A song is sung by Raakhi
(B) Raakhi singing a song
(C) A song is to be sung by Raakhi
(D) A song singing by Raakhi
12. Let a doctor be sent for.
(Choose the correct active voice)
(A) Send for a doctor (B) Sending for a doctor
(C) Sent me by a doctor (D) Doctor has to be send

13. Please help them.

(Choose the correct passive voice)

- (A) You help them
- (B) You must help them
- (C) You are requested to help them
- (D) You are ordered to help them

14. I do my duty.

(Choose the correct option)

- (A) could
- (B) might
- (C) must
- (D) may

15. He play cricket at school.

(Choose the correct option)

- (A) need
- (B) used to
- (C) might
- (D) could

16. He was accused of

(Choose the correct option)

- (A) steal
- (B) stole
- (C) to steal
- (D) stealing

17. The train went by. It did not stop.

(Choose the correct combination)

- (A) The train goes by without stopping
- (B) The train had to go by without stopping
- (C) The train went by without stopping
- (D) The train going by without stopping

18. She was always punctual.

(Choose the correct Negative sentence)

- (A) She was never late
- (B) She is ever late
- (C) She has been ever late
- (D) She was been never late

19. I wish I were a player.

(Choose the correct Exclamatory sentence)

- (A) If I had a player !
- (B) If I were a player !
- (C) Had I be a player !
- (D) May I be a player !

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20. Rimjhim is as beautiful as Sarita.
(Choose the correct Comparative Degree)
- (A) Sarita is not more beautiful than Rimjhim
(B) Ramjhim is more beautiful than Sarita
(C) Rimjhim and Sarita are beautiful
(D) Sarita is the most beautiful girl
21. He is very reading novels
(Choose the correct option)
- (A) face to face (B) fond of
(C) care for (D) bring up
22. Choose the incorrect spelling :
- (A) Pleasure (B) Applaud
(C) Illistration (D) Restrain
23. Choose the correct spelling :
- (A) Plead (B) Rcreation
(C) Dellegent (D) Jubylant
24. Choose the correct antonym of 'Blunt' :
- (A) Accept (B) Sharp
(C) Narrow (D) Strong
25. Chose the correct synonym of 'Baggage' :
- (A) Progress (B) Worry
(C) Custom (D) Luggage
26. Choose the correct antonym of 'Tail' :
- (A) Hate (B) Head
(C) Sorrow (D) Slow
27. Choose the correct synonym of 'Support' :
- (A) Envy (B) Blame
(C) Hide (D) Assist
28. I will the examination this time.
(Choose the correct option)
- (A) passed (B) passing
(C) pass (D) to passed

29. They sometimes to theatre.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) go (B) goes
(C) going (D) gone
30. Man is rational being.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) some
31. My brother yet.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) isn't coming (B) hadn't come
(C) hasn't come (D) wasn't come
32. An old man for alms at the gate.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) begging (B) beg
(C) begs (D) to begged
33. You listen to your seniors.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) might (B) will
(C) should (D) would
34. He lives others.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) from (B) for
(C) of (D) at
35. Her employer always finds fault others.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) at (B) by
(C) of (D) with
36. Choose the synonym of 'Hasty' :
(A) Kind (B) Slow
(C) Swift (D) Distance

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37. Choose the antonym of 'Abandon' :
- (A) Follow (B) Deliver
(C) Protect (D) Keep
38. Choose the synonym of 'Discard' :
- (A) Allow (B) Retain
(C) Leave (D) Approve
39. Choose the antonym of 'Depart' :
- (A) Depend (B) Unknown
(C) Come back (D) Leave
40. Choose the correct sentence :
- (A) My mom gives us always a lot of food
(B) My mom always gives us a lot of food
(C) My mom gives us a lot of food always
(D) My mom a lot of food gives us always
41. Chose the correct spelling :
- (A) Beleif (B) Belef
(C) Belief (D) Bilief
42. Choose the correct direct narration of the following :
'Rajat forbade me to smoke there.'
- (A) Rajat said, "Smoke here."
(B) Rajat said, "Don't smoke here."
(C) Rajat said, "Didn't smoke here."
(D) Rajat says, "Don't smoke here."
43. Choose the correct meaning of the phrase — 'Set apart' :
- (A) Reserve (B) Occupy
(C) Resemble (D) Isolate
44. She is hour late.
(Choose the correct option)
- (A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) many

45. Let's have game of cricket.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) some
46. Manju and I the hosts of the party.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) was (B) can
(C) were (D) have
47. Choose the correct combination of the following :
The sun set. The farmer stopped working.
(A) The sun having set the farmer stopped working.
(B) The sun set but the farmer was working.
(C) The sun was set but the farmer was working.
(D) The sun has to set and the farmer stopped working.
48. Choose the correct sentence :
(A) He failed in the Chemistry
(B) He failed in Chemistry
(C) Chemistry failed is he
(D) He is Chemistry failed
49. I will wait he returns.
(Choose the correct option)
(A) until (B) for
(C) at (D) from
50. Choose the correct Negative sentence of the following :
Can it be true ?
(A) It can't be true (B) Can it not be true
(C) Can't it be false ? (D) It could be true
51. Choose the correct article :
Blessed are children for they shall see God.
(A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) no article

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52. Choose the correct spelling :

- (A) Queit (B) Quiet
(C) Queet (D) Queat

53. The audience requested to sit down.

(Choose the correct option)

- (A) is (B) has
(C) are (D) have

54. Choose the correct spelling :

- (A) Rimimbir (B) Remimber
(C) Remmebre (D) Remember

55. This book me two hundred rupees.

(Choose the correct option)

- (A) costs (B) will cost
(C) cost (D) is cost

56. Have you seen Taj Mahal ?

(Choose the correct option)

- (A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) some

57. Choose the correct synonym of 'Abundant' :

- (A) Ample (B) Scarce
(C) Barren (D) Scanty

58. Choose the correct antonym of 'Compulsory' :

- (A) Voluntary (B) Permissible
(C) Absolutely (D) Happily

59. Choose the correct synonym of 'Flaunt' :

- (A) Waste (B) Display
(C) Squander (D) Spend

60. Choose the correct antonym of 'Artificial' :

- (A) Tailored (B) Ordinary
(C) Possible (D) Natural

Instruction : Questions from **61** to **100** are based on the prescribed texts.

61. How long did Nehru live in his little cell in Dehradun Jail ?
(A) Thirteen and a half months
(B) Fourteen and a half months
(C) Ten and a half months
(D) Two years
62. What does Dasa demand from the family ?
(A) A grass-cutter (B) A knife
(C) A mower (D) An axe
63. Who released the book 'Idols' during the second test ?
(A) Clive Lloyd (B) Kapil Dev
(C) Michael Holding (D) Jeff Dujon
64. Dr. Rajendra Prasad highlights the past glory of the
(A) Magadh University (B) Patna University
(C) Mithila University (D) Nalanda University
65. Where did Roop Singh work as a security guard ?
(A) A hospital (B) An apartment building
(C) A shopping call (D) A college
66. What, according to Gardiner, makes your liberty a reality ?
(A) Social order (B) Social disorder
(C) State of anarchy (D) War
67. St. Paul thought that the world was largely ruled by
(A) Good spirits (B) Industrialists
(C) Demons (D) Public
68. Who wrote that 'the best way to end a government is to withdraw from it' ?
(A) Jawaharlal Nehru (B) Subhas Chandra Bose
(C) Rajendra Prasad (D) Jayaprakash Narayan

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69. Jayaprakash Narayan attracted a gathering of 100,000 people at the
- (A) Ramlila ground (B) Shyamlila ground
(C) Bhojlila ground (D) Harilila ground
70. George Bernard Shaw was an
- (A) Irish playwright (B) Irish singer
(C) Irish dancer (D) Irish painter
71. In 1885, gentlemen, according to Jayaprakash Narayan, came from the middle classes.
- (A) seventy-two (B) seventy-five
(C) one hundred (D) one hundred and one
72. What did K. R. Narayanan describe as the greatest invention ?
- (A) Electricity (B) Printing Press
(C) Internet (D) Steam Engine
73. What does Tagore mean by 'Narrow domestic walls' ?
- (A) Unity among people (B) Division in the society
(C) Walls of buildings (D) Walls of huts
74. Which type of poem is 'The Marriage of True Minds' ?
- (A) Sonnet (B) Ballad
(C) Epic (D) Monologue
75. What do the angels in Tom's dream do ?
- (A) Bless him
(B) Release the sweepers from the coffins
(C) Ask him to stay patient
(D) Ask him to run away

76. The poet in 'Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening' couldn't stop to enjoy the beauty because
- (A) he had to return
 - (B) he had miles to go
 - (C) he had only a few metres to go
 - (D) he was in a hurry
77. Who among the following was a symbolist poet ?
- (A) W. B. Yeats
 - (B) Rabindranath Tagore
 - (C) William Wordsworth
 - (D) William Shakespeare
78. What does Wordsworth suggest about Lucy in her death ?
- (A) She becomes a part of the industrial world
 - (B) She ceases to exist
 - (C) She becomes eternal and part of nature
 - (D) She transits to a different realm
79. What does 'betide' mean in the poem 'The Village Song' ?
- (A) To bring fortune
 - (B) To mislead
 - (C) To bring misfortune
 - (D) To arrive safely
80. Who among the following used the word 'Yapping' in his poem ?
- (A) Sarojini Naidu
 - (B) Seamus Heaney
 - (C) Robert Frost
 - (D) W. B. Yeats
81. The girl in 'The Voice of the Unwanted Girl' would not turn into
- (A) a tree
 - (B) a bird
 - (C) a butterfly
 - (D) a star
82. What does the poem suggest about old people living in big cities in 'South Delhi Murder' ?
- (A) They are safe and independent
 - (B) They are vulnerable and lonely
 - (C) They enjoy the hustle and bustle
 - (D) They are well cared for neighbours

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83. The Anglo-Saxons invaded England in the
(A) fifth century (B) sixth century
(C) seventh century (D) eighth century
84. English used since AD 1500 till now is called
English.
(A) Old (B) Middle
(C) Classical (D) Modern
85. 'I wanted to grow up and plough' is from the poem
(A) Voice of the Unwanted Girl
(B) Marriage of True Minds
(C) Follower
(D) Village Song
86. When was the Printing Press brought to England ?
(A) 1475 (B) 1476
(C) 1477 (D) 1478
87. With the fall of the Roman Empire was no longer
in popular use.
(A) French (B) Latin
(C) Greek (D) Spanish
88. Who wrote 'Dr. Faustus' ?
(A) Christopher Marlowe (B) William Shakespeare
(C) John Keats (D) George Bernard Shaw
89. 'And yet the beauties that I loved ; Are in my memory' — is from
(A) Follower
(B) The Village Song
(C) The Lamentation of the Old Pensioner
(D) Three Years She Grew

90. A good dramatist treats his character with
(A) Partiality (B) Impartiality
(C) Brutality (D) Hatred
91. Farce is solely to
(A) excite agony (B) excite fear
(C) excite laughter (D) excite hatred
92. Morality plays developed in the
(A) Middle Ages (B) Old Ages
(C) Modern Ages (D) Classical Age
93. Who wrote 'Serpent and the Rope' ?
(A) Arundhati Roy (B) Raja Rao
(C) Kamala Das (D) Kamala Markandaya
94. The romantic adventures in the novels were introduced by
(A) R. L. Stevenson (B) G. B. Shaw
(C) Henry Fielding (D) Thomas Hardy
95. Who wrote 'Raj Mohan's Wife' ?
(A) R. N. Tagore
(B) Raja Rao
(C) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
(D) M. R. Anand
96. Henry Fielding gave genuine pictures of
(A) Birds (B) Trees
(C) Men and Women (D) Animals
97. Who wrote 'Pride and Prejudice' ?
(A) Henry Fielding (B) Oliver Goldsmith
(C) Jane Austen (D) George Eliot
98. The father of the modern novel is
(A) John Bunyan (B) Daniel Defoe
(C) Samuel Richardson (D) Henry Fielding

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99. 'If this be error and upon me proved,
I never writ, nor no man ever loved.' This is from
- (A) The Marriage of True Minds
 - (B) South Delhi Murder
 - (C) The Village Song
 - (D) The Voice of the Unwanted Girl
100. 'She shall be mine, and I will make
A Lady of my own.' This is from
- (A) The Marriage of True Minds
 - (B) Three Years She Grew
 - (C) The Voice of the Unwanted Girl
 - (D) The Village Song

SECTION - B

(Descriptive Type Questions)

1. Write an essay on any *one* of the following in about 150-200 words : 1 × 8 = 8
- a) The Importance of Family
 - b) World Environment Day
 - c) Effect of Technology
 - d) Child Discipline
 - e) Importance of Physical Exercise
2. Explain any *one* of the following : 1 × 4 = 4
- a) Spring was very pleasant in Dehra Dun, and it was a far longer one than in the plains below.
 - b) Without any reference to one particular religion 100 lectures were delivered everyday at Nalanda.
 - c) I believe that the rights of small people and quiet people are important to preserve as the rights of small nationalities.
 - d) Mother, you have travelled in all parts of India — does not your heart bleed at the sight of the present deplorable state of Indians ?

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3. Explain any one of the following :

1 × 4 = 4

- a) He gives his harness bells a shake
To ask if there is some mistake.
- b) Such thoughts to Lucy I will give
While she and I together live
- c) I looked like a sliced pomegranate.
The fruit you never touched.
- d) And so Tom awoke ; and we rose in the dark,
And got with our bags and our brushes to work.

4. Write a letter to your friend inviting him to come to your native village during the vacation.

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OR

Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper regarding the poor condition of roads in your locality.

5. Answer any *five* of the following in about 40-50 words each :

5 × 2 = 10

- a) Why couldn't the author read his book during his rail journey ?
- b) Why did the snake-charmer look helplessly about ?
- c) What arrangements were made to meet the recurring expenditure of the University ?
- d) What is the third 'breach' in national unity ?
- e) Who decided to take care of the girl in 'Three Years She Grew' ?
- f) Who sold the speaker in 'The Chimney Sweeper' and in what circumstances ?
- g) How does Shakespeare depict the permanent nature of love ?
- h) Which items were found missing in 'South Delhi Murder' ?
- i) How can we improve our English ?
- j) What is the difference between a short story and a novel ?

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6. Answer any three of the following in about 100-120 words :

3 × 5 = 15

- a) Write the summary of any one of the following poems :
- South Delhi Murder
 - The Marriage of True Minds
 - Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening.
- b) Write the summary of any one of the following prose pieces :
- The Three Vows
 - Mother India
 - The Rule of the Road.
- c) Write a note on Indian English as the second language of India.

OR

Briefly write about modern English.

OR

What are the difficulties faced by Indians in learning English ?

- d) Match the names of the poems given in **List-A** with their poets in **List-B** :

List-A

- Village Song
- The Marriage of
True Minds
- Three Years She Grew
- South Delhi Murder
- Where the Mind is

List-B

- William Shakespeare
- Tabish Khair
- Rabindranath Tagore
- Sarojini Naidu
- William Wordsworth

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e) Translate any *five* into English :

- i) पटना में नई सड़कें बनवायी जा रही हैं ।
- ii) खेलने से मन प्रसन्न रहता है ।
- iii) क्या तुम कल मेरे घर आओगे ?
- iv) रमन बहुत चालाक है ।
- v) वह कई सालों पहले विदेश चला गया था ।
- vi) महावीर एक महान पुरुष थे ।
- vii) राधिका को संगीत में रुचि है ।
- viii) शहद मीठा होता है ।

f) Match the names of the prose-pieces in **List-A** with their authors in **List-B** :

List-A

- i) The Rule of the Road
- ii) The Three Vows
- iii) The Scientific Point of View
- iv) I Pass the Delhi Test
- v) A Snake in the Grass

List-B

- a) Mulk Raj Anand
- b) A. G. Gardiner
- c) Sunil Gavaskar
- d) R. K. Narayan
- e) J.B.S. Haldane

7. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

$$4 \times 1 = 4$$

The age of steam has yielded place to the age of electricity. We have harnessed and introduced it into the service of man. The electric telegraph bears out message and brings us news from all quarters of the world. Submarine cable does its own work all right. Who is not familiar with the electric bell ? Who has not used telephone ? Who is not enjoying electric light ? Electric motors, wireless telegraphy, electric railways, electric modes of

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constructions and destructions all attest to the great power of electricity. Electricity has developed modern industry and has created many new industries. It has enabled man to conquer the land, the sea and the air.

Questions :

- a) Why do we call the present age the age of electricity ?
- b) Which age has yielded place to the age of electricity ?
- c) State some important uses of electricity.
- d) What do you think is the future of electricity ?

OR

Write a précis of the following passage and give a suitable title :

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Being social animals, human beings have their actions and desires bound up with society. In matter of food, clothes, knowledge and belief they are interdependent. They use language created by others. Without language their mental power would not grow. They are superior to beast, because they live in human society. An individual life left alone from birth would grow utterly beast like. So human society and not individuality guides man's material and spiritual existence.