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ENGLISH

TIME : 3 Hours 15 Minutes] _____ **[MM : 100**

Instructions to the candidates:

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 in own words as far as Practicable.
3. Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.
4. An extra 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 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.

1. Give this chocolate to the crying baby (Choose the adjective in the sentence)

- (a) Chocolat
- (b) Baby
- (c) Crying
- (d) Give

2. How can he cheat me ? (Choose the correct sentence)

- (a) He cannot cheat me like this
- (b) Cheat me he cannot
- (c) Cannot cheat me he
- (d) He will cheat me not

3. Ishita will her new dress today. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) put out
- (b) put on
- (c) put up
- (d) put off

4. This is made in United Kingdom. (Choose the correct article)

- (a) a
- (b) an
- (c) the
- (d) no article

5. She smiled my mistakes. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) at
- (b) on
- (c) upon
- (d) over

6. The wind heavily yesterday. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) blow
- (b) had blow
- (c) blown
- (d) was blowing

7. Choose the correctly spelt word

- (a) Scriptor
- (b) Scripture
- (c) Skripture

(d) Scriptur

8. John reads English..... (Choose the correct option))

- (a) off and on
- (b) up and above
- (c) give and take
- (d) near and near

9. This is best car in our showroom. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) a
- (b) an
- (c) the
- (d) no article

10. We won't be late,.....? (Choose the correct option)

- (a) will be
- (b) won't we
- (c) are we
- (d) can we

11. The woman is standing.....the door. (Choose the correct preposition)

- (a) in
- (b) on

- (c) at
- (d) through

12. You can..... him even now. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) cheque
- (b) check
- (c) cheqk
- (d) cheqke

13. A person who has characteristics like a woman is called.....(Choose the correct option)

- (a) Eunuch
- (b) Effeminate
- (c) Feminist
- (d) Frailc

14. Would you..... my dog for me this weekend? (Choose the correct preposition)

- (a) look
- (b) look after
- (c) look up
- (d) look into

15. To hit the nail right on the head means..... (Choose the correct meaning)

- (a) To do the right thing
- (b) To destroy one's reputation
- (c) To announce one's view
- (d) To teach someone a lesson

16. Choose the correct spelling

- (a) Tadious
- (b) Tidieous
- (c) Tedious
- (d) Tedeous

17. Ramesh in the middle of his speech. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) break down
- (b) broke down
- (c) broken down
- (d) breaking down

18. He saw a snake he awoke (Choose the then correct option)

- (a) when
- (b) than
- (c) then
- (d) but

19. I wonder if they will change..... plans? (Choose the correct option)
- (a) there
 - (b) their
 - (c) theirs
 - (d) them
20. Choose the correct synonym of "Hurdle"
- (a) Throw
 - (b) Opposition
 - (c) Obstacle
 - (d) Suspicion
21. Choose the correct antonym of 'Enter'
- (a) Arrive
 - (b) Exit
 - (c) Access
 - (d) Insert
22. I the Taj Mahal last month. (Choose the correct option)
- (a) visit
 - (b) will visit
 - (c) visiting
 - (d) visited

23. The Council made its decision (Choose the correct option)

- (a) have
- (b) have had
- (c) has
- (d) having

24. This side is parallelthat. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) to
- (b) of
- (c) with
- (d) from

25. Choose the correct sentence

- (a) Is she participate in the competition ?
- (b) Do she participate in the competition ?
- (c) Did she participate in the competition ?
- (d) She participated in the competition?

26. Choose the correct antonym of "Prohibit"

- (a) Allowa
- (b) Prevent
- (c) Outlaw
- (d) Achieve

27. My niece dropped.....bottle on the ground. (Choose the correct answer)

- (a) his
- (b) her
- (c) it
- (d) their

28. your father got a nice car (Choose the correct option)

- (a) Have
- (b) Has
- (c) Am
- (d) Were

29. Choose the odd one out

- (a) Blind
- (b) Deaf
- (c) Dumb
- (d) Idiot

30. When something is hilarious , it is (Choose the correct option)

- (a) scary
- (b) sad
- (c) funny
- (d) grave

31. All the boys laughed at him. (Choose the correct passive voice)

- (a) Laughed at was he by the boys
- (b) All the boys laughing at him
- (c) He was laughed at by all the boys
- (d) The boys all laughing at him

32. The teacher said to Ramesh, "Do it at once". (Choose the correct indirect narration)

- (a) The teacher asking Ramesh to do it at once
- (b) The teacher ordered Ramesh to do it at once
- (c) Ordering Ramesh to do it at once was the teacher
- (d) Ramesh was requested to do it at once by the teacher

33. The antonym of 'Hostile' is

- (a) Costly
- (b) Partly
- (c) Friendly
- (d) Disobey

34. We shall get wet if it..... (Choose the correct tense form)

- (a) raining
- (b) will raining
- (c) rains

(d) rain

35. He is very in calculations. (Choose the correct option)

(a) quick

(b) calm

(c) tolerable

(d) frank

36. They rung back yet. (Choose the correct option)

(a) has

(b) have

(c) hasn't

(d) haven't

37. The mountain peak was away than she had expected. (Choose the correct option)

(a) farther

(b) father

(c) either

(d) other

38. How Did your computer cost? (Choose the correct option)

(a) many

- (b) any
- (c) some
- (d) much

39. You read his latest book. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) ought
- (b) were
- (c) used
- (d) should

40. Someone is waiting the library. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) outside
- (b) through
- (c) out of
- (d) of

41. Hello! It.....nice to meet you.(Choose the correct option)

- (a) am
- (b) are
- (c) was
- (d) is

42. Raj and Ritik became partners. They started their own shoe business.
(Choose the correct combination)

- (a) Raj and Ritik became partners, they started their own shoe business
- (b) Raj and Ritik became partners when they started their own shoe business <https://www.bsebstudy.com>
- (c) Raj and Ritik became partners, so they started their own shoe business
- (d) Raj and Ritik became partners and started their own shoe business

43. Choose the correct sentence

- (a) You should not smoke
- (b) You not smoke
- (c) You smoke not
- (d) You not must smoke

44. My uncle a source of inspiration for me. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) was being
- (b) will be
- (c) is being
- (d) has been

45. The case was put the judge. (Choose the correct preposition)

- (a) at
- (b) from

(c) before

(d) of

46. My brother and..... went to the park. (Choose the correct option)

(a) I

(b) us

(c) we

(d) him

47. that dress specially made for you? (Choose the correct option)

(a) Has you

(b) Could you

(c) Should you

(d) Did you have

48. He said that he might buy a pen. (Choose the correct direct narration)

(a) He said, "I may buy a pen"

(b) He will say, "I must buy a pen"

(c) He says, "I am going to buy a pen"

(d) He asked, "Must I buy a pen?"

49. I can't live on 500 dollars a month . (Choose the correct option)

(a) a

- (b) an
- (c) the
- (d) no article

50. His rude behavior will make him lick the dust one day. (Choose the correct meaning of the underlined words)

- (a) fall down
- (b) get killed
- (c) to be buried
- (d) get humiliated

51. A remedy for all diseases. (Choose the correct option) (c) Panacea

- (a) Narcotics
- (b) Antiseptic
- (c) and a wardrobe
- (d) Lyric

52. We forget to take the chicken out of the freezer. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) must
- (b) have to not
- (c) has to
- (d) mustn't

53. God helps those who themselves. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) helps
- (b) has helped
- (c) helped
- (d) help

54. In my bedroom, there's a bed. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) but
- (b) so
- (c) and
- (d) also

55. They are pretty. They are intelligent (Choose the correct combination)

- (a) They are pretty and intelligent
- (b) Both pretty and intelligent they are
- (c) Are they pretty but intelligent?
- (d) Intelligent they are as well as pretty

56. Do you still to the club ? (Choose the correct option)

- (a) belongs
- (b) are belong
- (c) belong
- (d) belonging

57. Choose the correct sentence

- (a) We have to reach on time for the play
- (b) We have to reach at time for play
- (c) We have to reach at time for the play
- (d) We have to reach at time to play

58. Who on the phone ? (Choose the correct option)

- (a) is
- (b) were
- (c) am
- (d) are

59. What type of sentence is this? How sweet it smells!

- (a) Declarative
- (b) Interrogative
- (c) Exclamatory
- (d) Imperative

60. She interrupted me through my speech. (Choose the correct option)

- (a) meanwhile
- (b) sometimes
- (c) midway
- (d) otherwise

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

61. Who is the speaker in the poem 'Song of Myself'?

- (a) A boy
- (b) A girl
- (c) The poet himself
- (d) An old man

62. For Auden, poetry was a..... .

- (a) light game
- (b) interesting game
- (c) serious game
- (d) troublesome game

63. Keats waspoet.

- (a) a Romantic
- (b) a Victorian
- (c) a Modern
- (d) an Augustan

64. Walter de la Mare belonged to the century

- (a) 19th
- (b) 20th

(c) 18th

(d) 17th

65. Kamala Das has earned a respectable place in both English and literature.

(a) Tamil

(b) Malayalam

(c) Kannada

(d) Telugu

66. The forgets its dead.

(a) man

(b) animal

(c) fire

(d) wind

67. The Soldier's is a poem.

(a) nature

(b) war

(c) love

(d) happy

68. Macavity is called

- (a) The Hidden Paw
- (b) The Myserious Paw
- (c) The Exposed Paw
- (d) The Naughty Paw

69. Who wrote "The Canterbury Tales '?

- (a) Langland
- (b) Chaucer
- (c) Yeats
- (d) Beowulf

70.has the largest number of native Tales"?

- (a) English
- (b) Chinese
- (c) Urdu
- (d) Tamil

71. is a 'window to the world'

- (a) Hindi
- (b) Urdu
- (c) Chinese
- (d) English

72. Modern English begins from.....

- (a) AD 1300
- (b) AD 1400
- (c) AD 1500
- (d) AD 1600

73. The term 'concealed' in 'The Soldier' stands for

- (a) hidden
- (b) disappeared
- (c) absent
- (d) mysterious

74. According to T. S. Eliot, Macavity is the of crime.

- (a) Hitler
- (b) Napoleon
- (c) Alexander
- (d) Osama

75. Who composed the poem 'Fire Hymn' ?

- (a) K. N. Daruwala
- (b) Kamala Das
- (c) J. Mahapatra
- (d) N. Ezekiel

76. In according to the poem 'Snake', black snakes are considered innocent.

- (a) England
- (b) Sicily
- (c) France
- (d) Italy

77. What is that modern civilization ? It is the worship of.....

- (a) material
- (b) ethical
- (c) brotherhood
- (d) equality

78. Earlier he (Dr. Zakir Hussain) had served as.....

- (a) the Governor of Bihar
- (b) the Governor of Punjab
- (c) the Governor of West Bengal
- (d) the Governor of Assam

79. Was coming to the narrator's family.

- (a) Sohanlal
- (b) Ratiram
- (c) Minister

(d) Nanukaka

80. advocates non-violent struggle.

(a) Martin Luther King, Jr.

(b) Shiga Naoya

(c) Kamala Das

(d) Pearl S. Buck

81. "And what I assume you shall assume" is taken from

(a) Song of Myself

(b) An Epitaph

(c) The Soldier

(d) Fire Hymn

82. Human life is no better than.....

(a) life

(b) death

(c) journey

(d) sleep

83. 'King Lear' is a.....

(a) comedy

(b) tragedy

- (c) tragi-comedy
- (d) mysterious play

84. In the last few decades of the English language has seen rapid changes.

- (a) 17th
- (b) 18th
- (c) 19th
- (d) 20th

85. The taming of..... animals made life much pleasant.

- (a) wild
- (b) weak
- (c) reporter
- (d) domestic

86. One day Seibei found a peculiar gourd at a shop which costed him.....

- (a) five cents
- (b) ten cents
- (c) two cents
- (d) domestic

87. When a baby is born, it is an occasion of joy for.....

- (a) the mother
- (b) the father
- (c) strangers
- (d) the whole family)

88. No widely circulated newspaper dare support a public policy due to vested interest of.....

- (a) the government
- (b) editor
- (c) inhaled some snuff
- (d) advertisers

89. Nanukaka before he spoke.

- (a) ate some biscuits
- (b) drank tea
- (c) inhaled some sunff
- (d) drank coffee

90. One hundred years later, the Negro is still in the corners of American society.

- (a) complaining
- (b) enjoying
- (c) languishing
- (d) clamouring

91. All technological changes cause

- (a) mental problems
- (b) social problems
- (c) physical problems
- (d) health problems

92. John Donne thinks that is certain.

- (a) death
- (b) life
- (c) work
- (d) walking

93. Chaucer and Langland are writers of the period.

- (a) Old English
- (b) Middle English
- (c) Modern English
- (d) Post-modern English

94. Who wrote 'Mac-Flecknoe' ?

- (a) John Dryden
- (b) John Donne
- (c) George Herbert
- (d) Alexander Pope

95. Standard British English speech came to be known as

- (a) Second language
- (b) New English
- (c) American English
- (d) Received Pronunciation

96. English developed into a single, standard.....

- (a) Queen's English
- (b) King's English
- (c) Prince's English
- (d) Royal English

97. Benjy's parents planned for a ceremony when he was..... .

- (a) thirty
- (b) twenty one
- (c) twenty five
- (d) fifteen

98. According to Pearl S. Buck, what lesson has India to teach the world?

- (a) The lesson of violence
- (b) The lesson of peace
- (c) The lesson of honesty
- (d) The lesson of non-violence

99. Mr. Stepan Choobookov is a..... .

- (a) lawyer
- (b) landowner
- (c) writer
- (d) poet

100. Even more important than the domestication of animals was..... .

- (a) Invention of agriculture
- (b) Illiteracy
- (c) Superstitions
- (d) Fear and cowardice

SECTION-B

(DESCRIPTIVE TYPE QUESTIONS)

1. Write an essay on any one of the following in about 150-200 words:

- (a) Indian democracy
- (b) Online shopping
- (c) Terrorism
- (d) Adult Education
- (e) Life in an Indian Village.

2. Explain any one of the following:

- (a) It is obvious that we know more than animals do, and it is common to consider this one of our advantages.
- (b) You two' d better hurry up and get married.....Just do me a favour and leave me in peace.
- (c) The common people lived independently and followed their agricultural occupation.
- (d) He knew nothing about the stock-market. But he knew everything about a hen.

3. Explain any one of the following:

- (a) The house withdrew into silence, snakes moved

Among books, I was then too young

To read, and, my blood turned cold like the moon.

- (b) The voice of my education said to me

He must be killed.

- (c) You would know him if you saw him,

for his eyes are sunken in

- (d) Gave, once, her flowers to love, her ways to roam

A body of England's, breathing English air.

4. Write a letter to your friend, congratulating him on his success in NEET Competitive Examination.

Or,

Write an application to the Headmaster of your school for arranging extra classes of Mathematics as the Board Examinations are getting near.

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

- (a) What silent belief did Benjy's parents cherish about their land?
- (b) What were the benefits of English rule?
- (c) What made Seibei's heart beat faster?
- (d) How did Nanukaka impress the minister?
- (e) Why does the speaker in 'My Grandmother's House' say that she her way?
- (f) How did the snake drink water?
- (g) Why is Macavity termed a 'criminal' ?
- (h) What is a Farce?
- (i) What were the two concerns of the early Indian poets writing in English?
- (j) Which speech came to be known as 'Received Pronunciation'?

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

- (a) Write the summary of any one of the following poems:
 - (i) Song of Myself
 - (ii) Snake

(iii) My Grandmother's House.

(b) Write the summary or any one of the following prose pieces: ?

(i) How Free is the Press

(ii) The Earth

(iii) Bharat is My Home

(c) Write a note on the future of English.

Or,

Write a note on Old English.

Or,

What are the problems in learning English as a second language?

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

List-A

List-B

(i) Sweetest Love I Do not Goe

(a) W.H auden

(ii) Now The Leaves Are Falling Fast

(b) D. H. Lawrence

(iii) To Autumn

(c) Walter de la Mare

(iv) An Epitaph

(d) John Donne

(v) Snake

(e) John Keats

(e) Translate any five into English:

- (i) तुम घर कब आओगे ?
- (ii) रानी बहुत अच्छा गाती है।
- (iii) माँ मेरे साथ पटना जा रही है।
- (iv) मेरे स्कूल में बहुत अच्छा पुस्तकालय है।
- (v) पौधों को ठीक से पानी दो।
- (vi) उन्हें ऐसा नहीं करना चाहिये था।
- (vii) मेरे बच्चे बहुत अच्छे हैं।
- (viii) पटना एक प्राचीन नगर है।

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

List-A

List-B

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| (i) A Pinch of Snuff | (a) Mahatma Gandhi |
| (ii) How Free is the Press | (b) Shiga Naoya |
| (iii) The Artist | (c) Pearl S. Buck |
| (iv) India Through a Traveller's Eye | (d) Dorothy L. Sayers |
| (v) Indian Civilization and Culture | (e) Manohar Malgaonkar |

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

The sun is a star around which many planets revolve such as Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, etc. The nearest planet to the Sun is Mercury and Neptune is the farthest one. There is a total of eight planets in the solar system. The Sun is a ball of gases like helium, oxygen, carbon and

hydrogen. The temperature of the outer surface of the Sun is around 6,000 degree celcius. The Sun plays an important role in eclipses. A solar eclipse occurs when the moon comes between the Sun and the Earth whereas a lunar eclipse occurs when the Earth comes between the Sun and the Moon. <https://www.bsebstudy.com>

Questions:

- (a) Which planet is nearest to the Sun ?
- (b) What is the temperature of the outer surface of the Sun ?
- (c) When does a solar eclipse occur?
- (d) What is the Sun made up of?

Or.

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

Notwithstanding its various defects English education has done great good to India. The ideas of democracy and self-government are its gifts. Nursed on English education the Indian leaders were inspired by the western thought, culture and freedom struggles. They fought for and won their motherland's freedom. Being spoken throughout the world, English is necessary for international contact, trade, commerce and science. English is rich in literature, having produced great writers like Shakespeare, Milton, Pope, G. B. Shaw, etc.