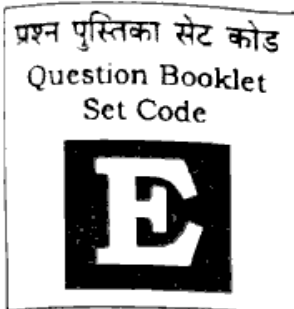


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Question Booklet Serial No.

विषय कोड :

Subject Code :

कुल प्रश्न : 100 + 11 = 111

Total Questions : 100 + 11 = 111

(समय : 3 घंटे 15 मिनट)

[Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes]

कुल मुद्रित पृष्ठ : 40

Total Printed Pages : 40

(पूर्णांक : 100)

[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.**

6. In **Section-A**, there are 100 objective type questions, out of which **any 50 questions are to be answered**. First 50 answers will be evaluated in case more than 50 questions are answered. 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-Sheet, otherwise the result will be treated as invalid.**
7. In **Section-B**, there are **11 Descriptive Answer Type Questions**, which **are to be answered**.
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.

$$50 \times 1 = 50$$

Instruction : Question Nos. 1 to 60 are based on prescribed texts.

1. Jim says that women use too many things.

(A) electric

(B) mechanical

(C) electronic

(D) fancy

2. R. C. Hutchinson in 'The Pace for Living' describes the of modern man.

(A) happy

(B) fast

(C) sad

(D) agony

3. According to Jim, nobody's willing to do anything about
- (A) plants (B) animals
- (C) environment (D) security
4. The squirrel was considered an easy prey by the
- (A) cats (B) dogs
- (C) eagles (D) crows
5. The author enjoys travelling fast in a if it is not his own.
- (A) bus (B) motorcycle
- (C) scooter (D) car
6. Satyajit Ray says that in Indian films, is equated with melodrama.
- (A) content (B) action
- (C) music (D) direction

7. In 'Sun and Moon', Mansfield beautifully portrays the subtle feelings of
- (A) animals (B) adults
- ☒ (C) children (D) adolescents
8. The daughter in her letter says that she has lost her
- (A) quickness (B) laughter
- (C) enthusiasm (D) dreams
9. The narrator's girlfriend wore a dress when she came to meet him for the last time.
- (A) blue (B) yellow
- (C) red (D) black
10. When Jabra barked, Halku realised that wild had entered his field.
- ☒ (A) dogs (B) animals
- (C) boundary (D) crop

11. There are and environmental risk factors for the development of allergy.
- (A) genetic (B) age
(C) physical (D) chemical
12. When the banker peeped into the prisoner's room, he saw a burning dimly.
- (A) fire (B) candle
(C) lamp (D) lantern
13. Satyajit Ray is very critical of the of Indian films.
- (A) export (B) quality
(C) shooting (D) status
14. All, men, women and children have sacrificed their lives in pursuit of a Burma.
- (A) despotic (B) autocratic
(C) totalitarian (D) democratic

15. The old woman's voice was soft but
- (A) stern (B) happy
- (C) audible (D) musical
16. The of Indian culture is very amazing.
- (A) vitality (B) colour
- (C) character (D) spirit
17. In the , according to Cowper, the nightingale is mute.
- (A) village (B) town
- (C) house (D) school
18. A happy man's and care are bound by a few paternal acres.
- (A) sleep (B) health
- (C) wealth (D) wish

19. The poet wonders what lightning has fallen on the
- (A) leaves (B) roses
- (C) garden (D) Koel
20. The porter's son is shivering with cold and woes of
- (A) anger (B) hunger
- ~~(C) laughter~~ (D) energy
21. Jabra started when he heard the noise of some animals.
- (A) crying (B) barking
- (C) running (D) jumping
22. The violent reaction during an allergy leads to
- (A) cough (B) itching
- (C) fever (D) inflammation
23. During the first year of imprisonment, the lawyer played the
- (A) violin (B) guitar
- (C) drums (D) piano

24. During the last days, Mr. Gessler never gave himself time to
- (A) relax (B) play
- (C) sit (D) eat
25. The heart of the porter is twittering like a
- (A) bird (B) parrot
- (C) crow (D) rabbit
26. In Martha's stories, fairies and gnomes out in leaf-green light.
- (A) stole (B) ran
- (C) came (D) walked
27. William Cowper says that and virtue are gifts.
- (A) wealth (B) character
- (C) strength (D) health

28. A happy man is to breathe his native air.
- (A) able (B) content
(C) sad (D) unable
29. Only the pain caused by comes back again and again.
- (A) disease (B) happiness
(C) someone (D) hurt
30. is endless.
- (A) Anger (B) Road
(C) Greed (D) Life
31. Aung San Suu Kyi is a
- (A) Burmese politician
(B) Burmese activist
(C) Burmese healer
(D) Burmese language teacher

32. The old woman's silence is so that the young people have trouble holding their laughter.
- (A) long (B) deep
(C) meaningful (D) short
33. There are civilized people among whom only a section has achieved culture.
- (A) large (B) big
(C) small (D) huge
34. Malasha was frightened and prepared to run
- (A) fast (B) away
(C) home (D) quickly
35. The post office was two away from Mr. Johnson's house.
- (A) kilometres (B) miles
(C) blocks (D) metres

36. The author found Gillu clinging to a

(A) chair

(B) pot

(C) curtain

(D) wall

37. All the money earned by Mr. Gessler was spent on and leather.

(A) food

(B) clothes

(C) rent

(D) electricity

38. The children the conduct of the guests.

(A) liked

(B) disliked

(C) appreciated

(D) ignored

39. The mother in her letter tells the daughter that cannot be bought.

(A) happiness

(B) peace

(C) honour

(D) fulfilment

40. The narrator's girlfriend told that she would the narrator even if he did not become an IAS officer.
- (A) hit (B) scold
(C) marry (D) leave
41. Halku's was destroyed by the wild animals.
- (A) crop (B) boundary
(C) home (D) wall
42. After fifteen years, the rich banker was in
- (A) debt (B) pain
(C) hospital (D) affluence
43. Good health and virtue can make our life
- (A) sweet (B) bitter
(C) comfortable ~~(D) happy~~
44. The poet wants to live unseen and
- (A) unknown (B) silently
(C) peacefully (D) unheard

45. A polythene bag when a little heat is applied.
- (A) flies (B) melts
- (C) strikes (D) burns
46. The poem tells us that thinks about Krishna all the time.
- (A) Radha (B) Madhava
- (C) Vishnu (D) Ram
47. The rich man left home because he wanted to earn more
- (A) respect (B) money
- (C) diamond (D) gold
48. The Koel's songs are compared to a rain of
- (A) water (B) fire
- (C) sparks (D) emotions

49. Akoulya shouted at Malasha and asked her to catch the

(A) stone

(B) stream

(C) chip

(D) shoes

50. Culture is the efflorescence of

(A) unity

(B) history

(C) civilization

(D) tolerance

51. 'The girl' as Toni Morrison says, 'offers and pieces of meat'.

(A) tea

(B) coffee

(C) bread

(D) vegetable

52. Aris says that his mother has come to be a symbol for the plight of all the people of Burma.

(A) correct

(B) worthy

(C) bright

(D) appropriate

53. All other countries, according to Ray, are turning to the
for inspiration.
- (A) documentary (B) story
(C) music (D) painting
54. The crows were engaged in poking their at the
flowerpots.
- (A) beaks (B) noses
(C) legs (D) hands
55. The polythene bag remains within.
- (A) living (B) dead
(C) sleeping (D) buried
56. Radha's friend says that Radha is deeply hurt and has
weight.
- (A) gained (B) lost
(C) increased (D) added

57. Seven silver pots filled with gold coins were given to the rich man.
- (A) yellow (B) few
(C) glistening (D) many
58. The are on fire.
- (A) leaves (B) roses
(C) trees (D) garden
59. What kind of figure does the porter have ?
- (A) Handsome (B) Ugly
(C) Slim (D) Stout
60. Martha's stories seemed like a one saw at night.
- (A) film (B) dream
(C) star (D) moon

Direction (61-67) : Choose the correctly spelt word :

61. (A) Incessaently (B) Incissantly
(C) Incesantly (D) Incessantly.
62. (A) Immediatly (B) Immediately
(C) Imediately (D) Immedeately
63. (A) Addmissable (B) Admisible
(C) Admissible (D) Addmissible
64. (A) Autonomouse (B) Autonomous
(C) Autonomes (D) Autonomus
65. (A) Cessettee (B) Cassette
(C) Cassatte (D) Cassete
66. (A) Bibliography (B) Bebliography
(C) Bebleography (D) Bibleographe

67. (A) Aceelerate (B) Acelerate
(C) Accelerate (D) Acellrate

Direction (68-73) : Choose the correct option of the following :

68. Direct speech of : Hari asked Sheela if she had taught her sister.

is

- (A) Hari said to Sheela, "Did you teach my sister ?"
(B) Hari said to Sheela, "Do you teach his sister ?"
(C) Hari said to Sheela, "Do you teach my sister ?"
(D) Hari said to Sheela, "Have you taught your sister ?"

69. Direct speech of : She prayed that God might save him.

is

- (A) She said, "May God save him !"
(B) She says, "Should God save him ?"
(C) She asks, "Do God save him ?"
(D) She says, "Would God save him ?"

70. Direct speech of : He asked me if I knew him.

is

(A) He said to me, "Did you know me ?"

(B) He said to me, "Do you know me ?"

(C) He enquired me, "Did you knew me ?"

(D) He asked me, "Do you known me ?"

71. Indirect speech of : I said to him, "Why are you working so hard ?"

is

(A) I asked him why he was working so hard

(B) I asked him why was he working so hard

(C) I asked him why had he been working so hard

(D) I asked him why he had been working so hard

72. Indirect speech of : He said, "I went home yesterday."

is

- (A) He said that he went home yesterday
- (B) He said that he had gone home the previous day
- (C) He said that he had gone home yesterday
- (D) He said that he had been going home previous day

73. Indirect speech of : She said to her daughter, "Study well to get success in your life."

is

- (A) She advised her daughter to study well to get success in her life
- (B) She advised her daughter to study well to get success in his life
- (C) She advised her daughter to get success in life
- (D) She advised her daughter to studying well to get success in

her life

Direction (74-80) : Choose the most suitable preposition :

74. They looked me for help.

(A) for

(B) at

(C) to

(D) into

75. I am proud my son.

(A) on

(B) of

(C) at

(D) upon

76. My friend was annoyed me.

(A) at

(B) with

(C) from

(D) on

77. We should take care our health.

(A) on

(B) of

(C) at

(D) upon

78. He died cholera.

(A) of

(B) by

(C) from

(D) for

79. Sheela is good English.

(A) on

(B) at

(C) in

(D) to

80. I congratulated him his success.

(A) at

(B) for

(C) on

(D) to

Direction (**81-87**) : Choose the correct form of verb :

81. My scissors not sharp.

(A) is

(B) are

(C) has

(D) was

82. Keep quiet, we are to the radio.

☒ (A) listen

(B) listened

(C) will listen

(D) listening

83. We have not him for a year.

(A) saw

(B) seen

(C) see

☒ (D) seeing

84. I have all my savings.

(A) spended

(B) spend

(C) spent

(D) would spent

85. They here a month ago.

(A) come

(B) will come

(C) comes

(D) came

86. Sohan was by a dog.

(A) had bit

(B) bite

(C) bitten

(D) bit

87. The teacher English for twenty years.

(A) teach

(B) is teaching

(C) has been teaching

(D) have been teaching

Direction (88 - 91) : Choose the correct option of the following :

88. Choose the correct antonym of 'Victorious' —

- (A) Defeated (B) Annexed
(C) Destroyed (D) Winner

89. Choose the correct antonym of 'Confess' —

- (A) Deny (B) Assert
(C) Contest (D) Contend

90. Choose the correct synonym of 'Triumph' —

- (A) Excitement (B) Victory
(C) Gain (D) Joy

91. Choose the correct synonym of 'Outstanding' —

- (A) Admirable (B) Distinguished
(C) Notorious (D) Interesting

Direction (92-97) : Choose the correct option of the following :

92. Active voice of : By whom was this book given to you ?

is

- (A) Who gave you this book ?
(B) Who given you this book ?
(C) Who has given this book ?
(D) Book given by who ?

93. Active voice of : The room was cleaned.

is

- (A) The cleaner cleaned the room
(B) The room should be cleaned
(C) I cleaned the room
(D) Someone cleaned the room

94. Passive voice of : The flowers have been watered by the gardener.

is

(A) The gardener has watered the flowers

(B) The flowers watering by the gardener

(C) The flowers are watered at the garden

(D) Gardener is watering the flowers

95. Passive voice of : Did he buy a car ?

is

(A) Was a car bought by him ?

(B) Did car bought by him ?

(C) Did a car bought by him ?

(D) Were a car bought by him ?

96. Passive voice of : He had written a poem.

is

- (A) A poem has written by him
- (B) A poem had written by him
- (C) A poem had been written by him
- (D) A poem has been written by him

97. Passive voice of : Please help me, as I am in need.

is

- (A) I must be helped as I am in need
- (B) I have to be helped as I am in need
- (C) I may be helped as I am in need
- (D) You are requested to help me as I am in need

Direction (98-100) : Choose the most suitable translation :

98. मैं एक पत्र लिखने जा रहा हूँ ।

- (A) I am going to write a letter (B) I have been writing a letter
(C) I write a letter (D) I was writing a letter

99. नदियों को प्रदूषित नहीं करना चाहिए ।

- (A) The rivers are not be polluted
(B) The rivers were not be polluted
(C) The rivers would not be polluted
(D) The rivers should not be polluted

100. सच्ची मित्रता दुर्लभ है ।

- (A) True friend is not available
(B) True friendship is rare
(C) True friend is difficult
(D) It is true to get good friend.

SECTION - B**(Descriptive Type Questions)**

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

It was a chilly winter night. Saint Socrates was preaching his

disciples. His wife asked him to end the discourse. Socrates did not

oblige her. At midnight she got angry. She took a bucket of water

and poured it on him. Socrates was just laughing. But his disciples

were annoyed with the preceptress. Socrates told them, "I am a

saint who is expected not to lose patience and temper even in

precarious situation. My wife tested me and I got success. She is my

preceptor. Don't revile her". Having heard this, she fell on the feet of

Socrates and begged for his pardon. Since then she became a good wife and a humane woman.

Questions :

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|---|---|
| i) What was Socrates doing at midnight ? | 1 |
| ii) What did his wife do ? | 2 |
| iii) What did he explain to his disciples ? | 2 |
| iv) Why were his disciples annoyed ? | 2 |

OR

Once Amar Singh, the General of Shah Jahan's army, was passing through a desert. He saw a desperate man dying out of thirst. Amar Singh gave him water to drink. The man was now relaxed. He had got new life. He said to him, 'Amar Singh, you saved my life. I am a Pathan named Narshahwaj Khan. I will shed my blood for you and your family, if needed.' The Pathan proved true to his word. When Amar Singh was killed treacherously and his dead body was captured by Shah Jahan, Narshahwaj Khan came with his army

and fought against the vast army of Shah Jahan. He with his entire army was killed in the battle. But, he immortalized the tale of gratitude and friendship.

Questions :

- i) Who was Amar Singh and who was Narshahwaj Khan ? 1
- ii) How did Amar Singh save his life ? 2
- iii) What did Narshahwaj Khan say to Amar Singh ? 2
- iv) How did Narshawaj Khan return the obligation of Amar Singh ? 2

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

There was a pious peasant in Russia, satisfied with his limited means. Once an imp stole his only piece of bread. The peasant drank a glassful of water and felt happy. The imp got irritated. He disguised himself and worked with the peasant as his servant. On

his advice the peasant produced good crop. The imp then instigated him to prepare wine from the surplus corn. The peasant did so. He invited his friends and began to make merry. Under the effect of intoxication, the peasant lost good senses. He abused his beloved wife and quarrelled with his friends. He fell into mud and grunted like a pig. It's true ; when you have limited means, the animal within you is under control. If you possess means or power more than your needs, you get corrupt and your fall is inevitable.

Questions :

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|---|---|
| i) What sort of man was the peasant ? | 1 |
| ii) What did the imp advise him ? | 2 |
| iii) Why did the peasant abuse his beloved wife ? | 2 |
| iv) What lesson do you get from the story ? | 2 |

OR

The concept of renewable energy has gained significant attention in recent years to reduce the dependence on fossil fuels and combat climate change. Solar, wind, hydroelectric, geothermal and biomass are examples of renewable energy sources. These sources are considered renewable because they can be replenished naturally, unlike fossil fuels, which take millions of years to form and are finite. One of the main advantages of renewable energy is that it is environmentally friendly. Renewable energy sources do not produce greenhouse gases, which contribute to climate change. They also do not produce harmful air pollutants like sulphur dioxide and nitrogen oxide.

Questions :

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|---|---|
| i) What is renewable energy ? | 1 |
| ii) What are the examples of renewable energy sources ? | 2 |
| iii) What is the main advantage of renewable energy ? | 2 |
| iv) Give two examples of harmful air pollutants. | 2 |

3. Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Sometimes I feel all thin inside

Insufficient, small ;

I feel when people look at me,

They don't see me at all.

I feel that all my beauty's lost

On cold, indifferent eyes

And offering what I want to give

Would only be unwise.

But then a friend will greet me.

And my inner life will bloom

It only takes but one kind word

To sweep away the gloom !

Questions :

- | | |
|--|---|
| i) What does 'indifferent' mean ? | 2 |
| ii) What is this poem about ? | 2 |
| iii) What does the poet feel sometimes ? | 2 |

OR

When the snow's falling, it looks pretty

It looks like a big white blanket

That covers all of New York state.

When the snow falls

The snowflakes are all different shapes and sizes

You always hope school's out

So you can build a snowman and have

A grand old time.

Questions :

- | | | |
|------|---|---|
| i) | How does it look when the snow is falling ? | 2 |
| ii) | What do you wish to build ? | 2 |
| iii) | How are the snowflakes ? | 2 |

4. Answer any *five* of the following questions :

5 × 2 = 10

- a) Why does the author say that copying American films is wrong ?
- b) How does Humayun Kabir define civilization ?
- c) Did the old woman succeed in her effort ?
- d) Why does Aris say that the Nobel prize for peace belongs to all the people of Burma ? <https://www.bsebstudy.com>
- e) How does the poem 'Martha' end ?
- f) Do you think that the Koel symbolises true love ?
- g) Why was the man not content, though he was very rich ?
- h) Who, according to Alexander Pope, is a happy man ?
- i) Was the narrator honest in his relation with his girlfriend ?
- j) What is the mother's advice to her daughter ?

5. Write a paragraph on any *one* of the following in about 60-70

words :

1 × 5 = 5

- i) Save Trees
- ii) Rising Pollution
- iii) Importance of Games and Sports
- iv) Advantages and disadvantages of Mobile Phone.
- v) A Friend in need is a friend indeed.

Direction (6-11) : Answer any three from Q. Nos. 6 to 11 :

3 × 5 = 15

- 6. Write a notice in about 60 – 70 words regarding the wristwatch you have lost while playing cricket.
- 7. Write a report in about 60 – 70 words about your visit to the pandemic-affected localities in Muzaffarpur.
- 8. Write an application to the Principal of your school requesting him to give permission to the students of your class to go for an excursion trip to Rajgir.

9. Write a letter to your younger brother, advising him to pay due attention to his studies.
 10. You are Swapnil. Write a speech in about 60 - 70 words on 'Teenagers and Health'.
 11. You are Shalini. Write a message in about 30 - 40 words asking your friend to come to your house for your Birthday party.
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