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ENGLISH MEDIUM

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Standard : X

Marks : 100

Subject : English (04)

Duration : 3 hours (A+B)

Instructions:

- **There are 50 multiple choice questions in this question paper.**
 - **Each question carries one mark.**
 - **All questions are compulsory.**
- 1) Columbus wanted _____ to send Guillermo Ires to him.
a) Don Pedro b) Francisco c) Diego d) Pepe
 - 2) According to Roy's teacher, a boy making up a ridiculous story must be _____.
a) disturbed b) mad c) silly d) helpless
 - 3) Hearing aids are available with _____ to handle each type and extent of hearing loss.
a) plugs b) powers c) systems d) adjustments
 - 4) The chemist would have obliged the author if he had been a co-operative store and _____ combined.
a) inn b) cook c) family hotel d) butcher
 - 5) Inquisitive wisps of the girl stooped over her forehead to peer at the
a) tiredness of her face b) confusion on her face
c) dark wonder of her eye d) haste on her face
 - 6) _____ had the look of a man who was being led into a trap.
a) The author b) The Botany Professor
c) Mr. Bassum d) Bolenciecz
 - 7) Dr. Sher Singh's last of the patients had left at _____.
a) 7.00 p.m. b) 7.30 p.m. c) 7.45 p.m. d) 7.50 p.m.
 - 8) When the days were soft and tender, mother and the author sat on the beach...
a) dreaming lazily. b) making sand castles.
c) enjoying playfully. d) digging their toes into the hot sand.
 - 9) Marcus was called on to work _____.
a) very often b) everyday c) occasionally d) seldom
 - 10) E. V. Lucas went to the window, which commanded a _____ and _____ at the back.
a) large park, garden b) large garden, park
c) large garden, playground d) large playground, garden

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- 11) Science merely reflects the social forces by which it is surrounded. (Make it simple)
- Science is surrounded by the social forces and it merely reflects them.
 - Science merely reflects its surrounding social forces.
 - Science merely reflects those forces which it is surrounded by.
 - Science is surrounded by social forces but it merely reflects them.
- 12) You see cells through it, or I'll give up teaching. (Use 'unless')
- Unless you do not see cells through it, I'll give up teaching.
 - You see cells through it unless I'll not give up teaching.
 - Unless you see cells through it, I'll give up teaching.
 - Unless you see cells through it, I'll not give up teaching.
- 13) Though he was to die in a few hours, he argued dispassionately. (Make it compound)
- He was to die in a few hours, so he argued dispassionately.
 - He was to die in a few hours and he argued dispassionately.
 - He was to die in a few hours, yet he argued dispassionately.
 - Knowing that he was to die in a few hours, he argued dispassionately.
- 14) What is the use of her going abroad? (Make it assertive)
- It is very useful of her going abroad.
 - It is meaningful that she goes abroad.
 - Her going abroad has some special purpose.
 - It is not useful if she goes abroad.
- 15) Day-dreams were trampled underfoot. (Change the voice)
- Day-dreams trampled people underfoot.
 - People trampled day-dreams underfoot.
 - People were trampled by day-dreams underfoot.
 - People had trampled day-dreams underfoot.
- 16) What a horrible night! (Make it assertive)
- There was a great horror at night.
 - The night was not so horrible.
 - Horrible was that night, wasn't it?
 - It was really a horrible night.
- 17) Sitting down is such a relief. (Make it complex)
- Sit down and you will have a great relief.
 - That I sit down is such a relief.
 - Sitting down brought me such a relief.
 - It is such a relief sitting down.
- 18) Nobody wants to get insulted,_____. (Add a question tag)
- don't they? b)doesn't he? c)does he? d) do they?
- 19) Loss of hearing is one of India's least recognized ailments. (Change the degree)
- Loss of hearing is one of India's little recognized ailments.
 - Loss of hearing is India's less recognized than any other ailment.
 - Loss of hearing is India's less recognized than most other ailments.
 - Very few ailments of India are so least recognized as loss of hearing.

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- 20) Fortunately, human sacrifices do not take place now. (Make it affirmative)
- a) Unfortunately, human sacrifices take place now.
 - b) Fortunately, human sacrifices have started taking place now.
 - c) Fortunately, human sacrifices did not take place then.
 - d) Fortunately, human sacrifices have stopped taking place now.
- 21) The author watched the town go by from a corner bench...
- a) beside the bandstand.
 - b) opposite the bandstand.
 - c) on the left of the bandstand.
 - d) on the right of the bandstand.
- 22) The author cut himself down to size on seeing the_____.
- a) pilgrims
 - b) Darjeeling's point
 - c) the Himalayas
 - d) magnificent township
- 23) Ivan Dmitritch had no faith...
- a) in his wife.
 - b) in his life.
 - c) in lottery luck.
 - d) in his own relatives.
- 24) _____ is a course steered between abstinence and indulgence.
- a) Courage
 - b) Endurance
 - c) Temperance
 - d) Intelligence
- 25) Plato has described Socrates' last night on earth in the _____ Phaedo.
- a) book
 - b) dialogue
 - c) autobiography
 - d) subject
- 26) Warning leaflets were dropped in_____.
- a) Hiroshima
 - b) Nagasaki
 - c) Hiroshima and Nagasaki
 - d) all over Japan
- 27) The reporter covering the instances of Global Warming is from_____.
- a) Mexico
 - b) Minnesota
 - c) Boston
 - d) Ireland
- 28) The scientists who worked on the atomic bomb were from the university of_____.
- a) Chicago
 - b) Yale
 - c) Oxford
 - d) Cambridge
- 29) While going from Port Said to Venice, one passes from the_____.
- a) pyramids
 - b) island of Crete
 - c) temple of Luxor
 - d) Sphinx
- 30) Kite-makers, like poets, once had their_____.
- a) attendants
 - b) benefactors
 - c) patrons
 - d) warrantors
- 31) The poet weeps like a child, down in the flood of_____.
- a) remembrance
 - b) emotions
 - c) feelings
 - d) music
- 32) A long, dim _____ holds the cat's life.
- a) sleep
 - b) drowsiness
 - c) ecstasy
 - d) passion
- 33) When the cat curls the last holy drop, she..
- a) asks for more.
 - b) licks the saucer.
 - c) sinks back into the night.
 - d) becomes lazy.
- 34) At nine-thirty, the commuter...
- a) worries about his work.
 - b) wonders about what he should do.
 - c) waits for the coffee break.
 - d) looks into the papers aimlessly.

PART B**SECTION-A**

■ **Answer the following questions in about five to six sentences each:** [08]

1. Why was 'defining terms' important to Socrates?
2. Draw the character sketch of Ivan.
3. Why are laymen bewildered and humbled?
4. Write about E.V. Lucas' experience on his visit to Miss Beam's school.

Turn into indirect narration:

[02]

5. "That's not money, but power, capital!" said Ivan.
6. Women whispered: "Let's move on, time's flying."

Combine the following sentences:

[02]

7. The lure of new ideas drew the young men to him. The young men were learning subversive doctrines. Their parents had this fear.

SECTION - B

■ **Answer the following questions in three to four sentences each:** [06]

8. Describe the poplar field.
9. Describe the garden by the sea.
10. How does the cat devour the milk?

■ **Answer the following questions in four to five sentences each:** [04]

11. How did Helen enjoy the beauties of nature through touch?
12. Why could Robin not be silenced?

13) Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions given below it: [03]

Why should I be the first to fall
Of all the leaves on this old tree?
Though sadly soon I know that all
Will lose their hold and follow me.
While my birth-brothers bravely blow,
Why should I be the first to go?

Why should I be the last to cling
Of all the leaves on this bleak bough?
I've fluttered since the first of Spring
And I am worn and withered now.
I would escape the winter gale
And sleep soft-silvered by a snail.

SECTION-D

- 17) Much against your wishes, you are unable to attend your friend's party celebrating his success in Board exams. Write a letter of apology to him. **(04)**
- 18) Write an essay on any one of the following topics: **(08)**
- (1) Three gifts I value.
 - (2) Mothers are special.
 - (3) Haste makes Waste.

Best of Luck