

SET-1
ENGLISH

MATRIC

- Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.
- Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.
- All Questions are compulsory.
- While answering , the candidate should adhere to the word limit as far as practicable.

GROUP-A

- There are 50 objective type questions to be answered on OMR sheet. Question numbers 1 to 50 carry 1 mark each.
- **Follow the instructions carefully :**
- **Choose the correct options from the choices given :**

[marks : 50 × 1 = 50]

1. Mr. Sen said to his servants, "Go away at once." (Choose the correct indirect narration)
 - (a) Mr. Sen requested his servants to go away at once.
 - (b) Mr. Sen ordered his servants to go away at once.
 - (c) Mr. Sen wish his servants to go away at once.
 - (d) Mr. Sen tells his servants to go away at once.
2. She told me that she was playing football. (Choose the correct direct narration)
 - (a) She said, "you are playing football."
 - (b) She said to me, "she was playing football."
 - (c) She said to me, "I am playing football."

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- (d) She said to me, "I was playing football."
3. My mother said to me, "May you live long" (choose the correct indirect narration)
- (a) My mother told me that you may live long.
(b) My mother asked me to you might live long.
(c) My mother blessed me that I might live long.
(d) My mother bless me that I might live long.
4. I wrote this letter a pen. (choose the suitable preposition)
- (a) in (b) at
(c) by (d) with
5. He invited me dinner. (choose the suitable preposition)
- (a) to (b) from
(c) in (d) of
6. Does she help you ? (choose the correct passive form)
- (a) Does you helped by her ? (b) Are you help by her ?
(c) Are you helped by her ? (d) Are you being helped by her ?
7. We are taught English by her. (choose the correct Active form)
- (a) She is teaching us English. (b) She teach us English.
(c) She taught us English. (d) She teaches us English.
8. My sister sings a song. (choose the correct passive form)
- (a) A song was sung by my sister. (b) A song is being sung by my sister.
(c) A song are sings by my sister. (d) A song is sung by my sister.
9. Choose the correct sentence :
- (a) I has not met him for many years.
(b) I have not meet him since many years.
(c) I have not met him for many years.
(d) I have not meets him for many years.

10. Choose the correct sentence :

- (a) What does he wants to become ?
- (b) What do he want to become ?
- (c) What does he wanted to became ?
- (d) What does he want to become ?

11. What a beautiful scenery it is (Choose the sentence with correct punctuation marks)

- (a) What a beautiful scenery it is.
- (b) What a beautiful scenery it is!
- (c) What a beautiful scenery it is ?
- (d) What a beautiful, scenery it is.

12. Do you know English (Choose the sentence with correct punctuation marks)

- (a) Do you know. English (b) Do you know English !
- (c) Do you know English ? (d) Do you know English.

13. Slow and steady the race. (choose the correct verb form)

- (a) win (b) wins
- (c) has win (d) have win

14. Either Sonu or Monu done it. (choose the correct verb form)

- (a) has (b) have
- (c) were (d) are

15. My parents as well as I present in the function. (choose the correct verb form)

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

16. The sun set. They returned home. (choose the correct combination)

- (a) The sun set when they return home.

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- (b) The sun set, they returned home when.
(c) When the sun set, they returned home.
(d) When the sun set, they return home.
17. Sita is pretty. Meena is pretty. (choose the correct combination)
- (a) Sita is as pretty as Meena.
(b) Sita is not pretty as Meena.
(c) Sita is pretty but Meena is not.
(d) Sita is more pretty than Meena.
18. The old man is very weak. He cannot walk. (choose the correct combination)
- (a) The old man is too weak to walk.
(b) The old man was too weak to walk.
(c) The old man is too weak to walk.
(d) The old man is so weak to walk.
19. Keep on (choose the correct meaning)
- (a) continue (b) stop
(c) settle (d) destroy
20. Look for (choose the correct meaning)
- (a) search (b) wait
(c) bring (d) shout
21. Turn on (choose the correct meaning)
- (a) stop (b) start
(c) leave (d) admit
22. This is the game which I like. (choose the main clause)
- (a) the game which (b) which I like
(c) This is the game (d) game which I

23. He is the teacher whom we all respect. (choose the subordinate clause)
- (a) whom we all respect (b) He is the teacher
(c) teacher whom we (d) the teacher whom we all respect
24. The players are (choose the correct verb form)
- (a) tired (b) tire
(c) tiring (d) tires
25. They began to (choose the correct verb form)
- (a) working (b) work
(c) worked (d) works
26. 'The pace for Living ' is written by (choose the correct option)
- (a) Mahadevi Verma (b) Satyajit Ray
(c) Humayun Kabir (d) R.C. Hutchinson
27. Mahadevi Verma is an poetess. (choose the correct option)
- (a) African (b) American
(c) Indian (d) Sri Lankan
28. Gillu was the name of a (choose the correct option)
- (a) dog (b) cat
(c) squirrel (d) monkey
29. Aung San Suu Kyi is a famous politician. (choose the correct option)
- (a) Indian (b) Burmese
(c) African (d) Chinese
30. When did Aung San Suu Kyi get the Nobel Peace Prize. (choose the correct option)
- (a) 1991 (b) 1993
(c) 1992 (d) 1994

31. Where did the old wise lady live ? (choose the correct option)
- (a) in a small house (b) in a big house
(c) in a temple (d) in a mosque
32. Who has delivered the speech 'The Unity of Indian Culture' ?
(choose the correct option)
- (a) Aung San Suu Kyi (b) Humayun Kabir
(c) Alexander Aris (d) Satyajit Ray
33. The names of the two little wise girls are (choose the correct option)
- (a) Akoulya and Malasha (b) Akoulya and Malaya
(c) Akoliya and Malina (d) Akoula and Mala
34. Which animal messes up Ms Green's yard ? (choose the correct option)
- (a) horse (b) cat
(c) dog (d) cow
35. Where did the writer of 'The Pace for Living' watch the play ?
(choose the correct option)
- (a) Dubai (b) Dublin
(c) Delhi (d) London
36. 'Ode on Solitude' is written by (choose the correct option)
- (a) Alexander Pope (b) Milton
(c) Rupert Brooke (d) Walter de la Mare
37. The Polythene bag melts down when a little is applied.
(choose the correct option)
- (a) cold (b) warmth
(c) milk (d) water

38. The poem 'The Empty Heart' tells about the problems caused by

(choose the correct option)

- (a) poverty (b) content
(c) greed (d) anger

39. The Koel is full of dissatisfaction because its is not with her.

(choose the correct option)

- (a) lover (b) sister
(c) mother (d) father

40. How does the koel feel ? (choose the correct option)

- (a) satisfied (b) happy
(c) restless (d) peaceful

41. Whom was the porter challenging ? (choose the correct option)

- (a) mountain (b) tree
(c) sea (d) stars

42. Martha used to tell her stories in the (choose the correct option)

- (a) hazel glen (b) forest
(c) cottage (d) church

43. Martha's stories were about and fairies. (choose the correct option)

- (a) old men (b) children
(c) gnomes (d) witches

44. Who has written 'January Night' ? (choose the correct option)

- (a) Mahadevi Verma (b) Mahatama Gandhi
(c) Vidyapati (d) Premchand

45. Who was 'Jabra' ? (choose the correct option)

- (a) dog (b) sheep
(c) monkey (d) ox

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46. Where do you find health and virtue ? (choose the correct option)
- (a) town (b) village
(c) metro (d) factory
47. Vidyapati was born in the village of (choose the correct option)
- (a) Bisapi in Darbhanga (b) Bisapi in Madhubani
(c) Bisapi in Sitamarhi (d) Bisapi in Purnea
48. To whom does the friend of Radha make a report ? (choose the correct option)
- (a) Ram (b) Krishna
(c) Shiva (d) Bal Ram
49. Who was Mr. Gessler ? (choose the correct option)
- (a) banker (b) lawyer
(c) painter (d) Shoe maker
50. Who is the author of the story 'Sun and Moon' ? (choose the correct option)
- (a) Katherine Mansfield (b) Premchand
(c) John Lexau (d) Puran Singh

GROUP-B

- **Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below.**

1. South Asia is blessed with a number of perennial rivers rising from the Himalayas. This icy region has a large number of glaciers—those slowly moving masses of ice. These glaciers are the reservoirs, feeding the great rivers of South Asia. But global warming is playing havoc with the glaciers and they are melting. This process may unleash devastating floods into the mountain valleys causing unprecedented floods. The same

process will ultimately lead to the drying up of the perennial rivers. These are the findings of a new study about the Himalayan glaciers. The study predicts that most of the glaciers in the region will vanish within 40 years due to global warming. It is said that the glaciers in the middle Himalayas are retreating. For instance, the Gangotri glaciers at the head of the Ganges is retreating at the rate of 30 metres per year. The study says that all glaciers in the central and eastern Himalayas could disappear by 2035 if their present rate of decline continues.

(a) What will happen when the glaciers melt ? [2 marks]

(b) What is happening to the Gangotri glacier ? [2 marks]

(c) What is the prediction for the year 2035 ? What is the reason given for it ?

[2 marks]

(d) Which word from the given paragraph means 'causing great destruction' ?

[1 mark]

- **Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below.**

2. Till recently, the Aryans were regarded as the earliest invaders of the land. It was thought that they came to a country which was uncivilised and barbarian, but modern research has proved that there were invaders even before the Aryans poured into this land. They had evolved a civilization higher than that of the Aryan hordes who came in their wake. These Pre-Aryan had displaced still earlier people and built up new civilization which has astonished modern scholars by its extent and depth. The Aryan invasion repeated the process and led to fresh infusion of the old with the new. This continued with the successive inroads of

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fighting races who came to conquer but remained to lose themselves in the Indian racial cauldron.

(a) How were the Aryans regarded till recently ? [2 marks]

(b) What has modern research proved about the Aryan invasion ? [2 marks]

(c) How did the Pre-Aryans build up a new civilization ? [2 marks]

(d) Find the word from the passage whose meaning is opposite to the word **ancient**. [1 mark]

- **Read carefully the stanzas given below and answer the questions that follow :** [3×2=6 marks]

3. A twenty-five kilo load on his back

spine double bent

a six-mile climb up in the snows of winter

naked bones, skeleton-like frail frame

yet facing an uphill task

he is challenging the mountain.

He is wearing a black cap

dirty, sweat-stained

his body is an abode of fleas and lice

his mind very dull

although it emits a sulphur-like sour smell

but what a stout human figure !

- (a) Why was the porter's task difficult ?
- (b) How does the poet describe the porter's body ?
- (c) What type of cap is he wearing ?

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GROUP-C

4. You are Sanjeev, the secretary of student's club. You want to organise a debate competition in your school. Write a notice in about 60 words inviting the students to attend the debate competition.

[5 marks]

or

You are Saba Naz, a student of class X. Your school has recently celebrated children's day. Write a report in about 60¹⁰⁰ words describing the events.

5. Write a letter to the headmaster in about 60¹⁰⁰ words requesting him to grant you a leave for two days.

[5 marks]

or

Write a letter to your younger brother advising him to study hard and avoid bad company.

6. Write a speech in about 60¹⁰⁰ words to be delivered in the morning assembly of the school on "How students can keep the school premises clean?"

[5 marks]

or

Your school is organizing a football match. Your friend, Chandan was absent on the day before the match when a few instructions were given.

Write a message to your friend about the instructions for the day. [60 to 100 words]

7. Write a paragraph on any one of the following in about 60¹⁰⁰ words.

[5 marks]

- (a) Importance of trees (b) Your favourite game

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GROUP-D

8. Answer any five of the following questions in about 30-50 words :

[5×2= 10 marks]

- (i) How would Gillu inform Mahadevi Verma that he was hungry ?
- (ii) How would the Nobel Peace Prize given to Aung San Suu Kyi help the Burmese people ?
- (iii) How does R.C. Hutchinson describe the elderly corn merchant ?
- (iv) What gift did the tree give the greedy man in the poem 'The Empty Heart' ?
- (v) What is the state of Radha's mind in the poem 'Thinner Than a Crescent' ?
- (vi) What does the poet think of Martha's eye ?
- (vii) What is allergy ?
- (viii) Why was Sun upset at the end of the story 'Sun and Moon' ?

Answer :

1.	b	2.	c	3.	c	4.	d
5.	a	6.	c	7.	d	8.	d
9.	c	10.	d.	11.	b	12.	c
13.	b	14.	a	15.	d	16.	c
17.	a	18.	c	19.	a	20.	a
21.	b	22.	c	23.	a	24.	a
25.	b	26.	d	27.	c	28.	c
29.	b	30.	a	31.	a	32.	b
33.	a	34.	c	35.	b	36.	a
37.	b	38.	c	39.	a	40.	c
41.	a	42.	a	43.	c	44.	d
45.	a	46.	b	47.	b	48.	b
49.	d	50.	a				