

QUESTION PAPER SET-1
SSLC JUNE 2014 - ENGLISH I

Time:2½hours

Marks:100

SECTION – I (VOCABULARY : 20 MARKS)

PART - I

1. Choose the appropriate Synonyms: 5X1=5

In addition to that, you owe a duty to the rulers, the government which is the supreme (i) authority over us all. Students with their generous mind and unsophisticated (ii) hearts naturally fall an easy prey (iii) to stirring up emotion. But that very circumstances unfits (iv) them in some instances to exercise independent (v) judgement on current affairs.

- i) a) greatest b) best c) first d) finest
 ii) a) sophisticated b) simple c) accommodated d) facilitated
 iii) a) clash b) involvement c) commitment d) victim
 iv) a) relevant b) dose not suit c) related d) capable
 v) a) wild b) dependent c) free d) relaxed

2. Choose the appropriate antonyms: 5x1=5

This is a subject to which we are forced to return every now and then. Sometimes it is a tragedy. (i) that forces us to think. Sometimes a positive development (ii) in June 2006, when 10 year old Sonu was sadistically tortured and killed by her employers in Mumbai, the invisible (iii) world of the domestic worker and especially (iv) of the child worker, lay exposed in all its brutality (v).

- i) a) comedy b) sorrow c) luxury d) enjoyment
 ii) a) advancement b) obsession c) retardation d) delay
 iii) a) noticeable b) visible c) appearing d) observable
 iv) a) commonly b) particularly c) individually d) selectedly
 v) a) cruelty b) kindness c) cheer d) dreadfulness

II. Answer any ten of the following: 10x1=10

3. The common expansion of SBI is:
 a) State Board of India b) State Branch of India
 c) State Bank of India d) Standard Bureau of India
4. Fill in the blanks with the correct homophones:
 day on earth is measured by the (hour/our)
5. Replace the underlined word with its American word.
 Throw the waste papers in the dustbin.
6. Which of the words given below can be placed after the word hand to form a compound word?
 a) light b) mark c) write d) written
7. What is the plural form of the word memorandum ?
 a) memorundam b) memeranda c) memorandums
8. Attach a suffix to the word 'perform'.
 The chief guest appreciated his perform
- a) -ing b) -ance c) -ness d) -ic
9. Replace with phrasal verbs given below.
 School life is an enjoyable one. So you must have friendly relationship with your classmates.
 a) get up b) give up c) get on d) get back
10. Separate the syllable of any one of the following
 a) Observable b) People c) Properly
11. Choose the appropriate word to fill the blank.
 Alex has applied for a job in a firm.
 He will a call letter very soon. (receive/get)
12. Construct a sentence using one of the words given.
 a) beautify b) beautifully c) beautiful

13. Reframe the sentence using the word as a noun.
 He was appreciated for his best performance.
14. Which of the two sentences conveys same meaning.
 Most of our boys were victorious in the zonal matches.
 a) Very few boys lost in the zonal matches.
 b) Very few boys won in the zonal matches

SECTION – II (GRAMMAR: 25 MARKS)**PART – I Answer all the following: 10x1=10**

15. Which of the options will suit to fill the sentence?
Anand would have found a job,.....
 a) if he performed well b) if he had attended the interview c) if he attends the interview.
16. Identify the pattern of the following sentence
Reading made him a complete man.
 a) SVO b) SVOA c) SVOC
17. Choose the correct question tag.
He hasn't completed the painting,?
 a) has he b) hasn't he c) didn't he
18. Complete the sentence
Very few cities in India are ----- Mumbai.
 a) more populous as b) as populous as
 c) the most populous as
19. Choose the sentence which conveys same meaning.
No one can forget the achievements of our Indian Scientists.
 a) Everyone cannot remember the achievements of our Indian Scientists. b) Everyone can forget the achievements of our Indian Scientists. c) Everyone can remember the achievements of our Indian Scientists.
20. Complete with the correct prepositional phrase.
.... the rain, the match continued.
 a) In the event of b) In spite of c) Due to
21. Choose the correct verb form to complete
The speaker made the parents ... the importance of music. a) realise b) to realise c) realising
22. Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence.
Students are very keen ----- to the grammar classes on the eve of the examination.
 a) for listening b) on listening c) to listening
23. Choose the appropriate article to complete.
Kumar is ----- Indian. a) an b) the c) a
24. Choose the appropriate preposition to complete.
The cat hid ----- the door. a) over b) behind c) into
- II. Answer all. Rewrite as directed. 5x2=10**
25. Combine the two sentences into a single sentence
I broke my ankle in a football match. I had to go to the hospital.
26. Rewrite the sentence in the other voice.
He was awarded a prize by the government. His mother congratulated him.
27. Rewrite the sentence in the direct Speech
The teacher instructed the students not to write on both sides of the paper.
28. Rewrite the sentence using 'If' clause.
Ashok must work hard. Otherwise he will not secure high marks.

29. Read and write a sentence using any one of the degrees.
 Arun's weight is 55 kilograms. Alex's weight is 46 kilograms.
 Ajay's weight is 56 kilograms. Vikram's weight is 35 kilograms.
 Vijay's weight is 44 kilograms.

PART – III 30. Punctuate the following sentence: 5
 we wake up every morning fighting over water says
 kamal bhate

SECTION – III (PROSE:15MARKS)

PART – I Answer any five of the following: 5x2=10

31. Who was Hughie ? How had Hughie treated the model who posed for Trevor?
 32. How did Messiaen spend his time in prison?
 33. When does one mark one's own decisions?
 34. What will be the future if the Himalayan glaciers become ice - free?
 35. Which are the states in India that have shown concern for the domestic workers ?
 36. The migrating birds face two main dangers. What are they?
 37. What were the pallava and Chola eras famous for?

PART – II Answer in a paragraph (any one): 1x5=5

38. (a) What is your primary duty towards yourself ? What kind of character should you acquire while you are a student? (OR) (b) How are some domestic workers lived similar to those of slaves? (OR) (c) Describe briefly how do birds migrate.

SECTION – IV (POETRY : 20 MARKS)

PART – I Quote from memory (any one) 1x5=5

39. a) Five lines of the poem- 'Going for water.'
 From: "With laughter To: the brook."
 b) Five lines of the poem "Migrant Bird"
 From: "Citizens of those" To: in distant spills.

PART – II Read the poetic lines and answer 5x1=5

40. *Then what gems would we see?*
Perhaps a beautiful heart.
What does the poet mean by 'a beautiful heart'?
 41. *If you can meet with triumph and disaster.*
And treat those two impostors just the same.
What are the two impostors?
 42. *Each laid on other a staying hand.*
To listen ere we dared to look.
Why did each lay a staying hand on the other?
 43. *We fall upon our faces, trying to go.*
What is the condition of the children expressed through this line?
 44. *The days of toil Hammer and chisel laid aside.*
What are the tools laid aside?

PART – III Read the poem lines and answer 5

45. *If you can dream and not make dreams your master;*
If you can think and not make thoughts your aim
If you can meet with triumph and disaster;
And treat those two impostors just the same.

Pick out the words that rhyme in these lines.

46. *Betrays me back, till the heart of me weeps to belong.*
Pick out the words in alliteration.

47. *Softly in the dusk, a woman is singing to me*
Taking me back down the vista of years till I see
A child sitting under the piano, in the boom of tinkling
strings / And pressing the small, poised feet of a
mother who smiles as she sings.

Bring out the rhyme scheme used in these lines.

48. *The reddest flower would look as pale as snow.*

Identify the figure of speech employed here.

49. *Now drops that floated on the pool like pearls.*

Identify the figure of speech used here.

PART – IV Answer in a paragraph (any one) 1x5=5

50. (a) What does the post of "Beautiful Inside" say about inner beauty? (OR) (b) Describe the experience of the children when they were 'going for water' (OR) (c) How does the bird's life differ from the life of human beings?

SECTION – V (LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS: 20 MARKS)

51. Read the passage and answer the questions: 5x2=10

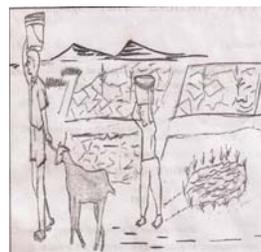
Scattered over 300 sq.km. in the blue waters of the Indian Ocean, like a string of pearls, Maldives boasts of some of the stunning and exotic tropical hideaways. Hundred of virgin Islands with their bush green vegetarian, clean, sandy beaches and the turquoise blue lagoons together offer a preface holiday experience. Rated among the top ten diving destinations in the world, the underwater coral gardens in Maldives offer an opportunity to watch colourful marine life at their natural habitat, from close quarters, Not many details are available about the origins of the Maldivian people. The first settlers may well have been from Sri Lanka and Southern India. Some Say Aryans, who Sailed in their reed boats from Lothal in the Indus Valley About 4000 years ago, probably followed them. Archaeological evidence Suggests the existence of Hinduism and Buddhism before the country embraced Islam in 1153 A.D.

- a) Who according to the passage were the earliest settlers of the Maldives? b) Where is Maldives situated?
 c) What makes the Virgin Islands a perfect holiday experience? d) How does the marine life contribute to Maldives tourist attraction? e) What are the religions that have been practiced in Maldives since 1153 A.D.?

52. Identify and correct the errors 5x1=5

- a) He is one of the talkative boy in the class.
 b) Very few students have scored high as Madan.
 c) Kiran is so ill to go to school.
 d) Remove the furnitures from here.
 e) He is a honest man.

53. Look at the picture and answer the questions 5



- a) What do you see in the picture?
 b) How does the field in the picture appear?
 c) What are the people carrying on their heads?
 d) Name the source of water available to them near by?
 e) What could be the reason for the dry field?

QUESTION PAPER SET-1
SSLC JUNE 2014 - ENGLISH II

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Marks: 100

SECTION – I (Non – Detailed: 35 Marks)**1. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate phrases: 5**

As she hung from the pipe. Celine saw a ---(i)---. It was ---(ii)---. She realized ---(iii)--- powerful torches down the manhole. She ---(iv)--- on the pipe and ---(v)--- the walls with her hands and arms. "I m here!" She shouted.

- (i) shining (ii) started tapping (iii) battering
(iv) the firemen (v) bright light

2. Read and identify the character/speaker: 5x1=5

- (i) "Do you remember me?"
(ii) "He probably belongs to someone Shelly."
(iii) He eagerly accepted the challenge.
(iv) His outstanding performance at college had gained him a wonderful career at an MNC.
(v) He cleverly hid in the narrow space under the staircase.

3. Match the following appropriately: 5 x 1 = 5

- (a) Cathedral - Rex Coker
(b) Council Worker - Kumar
(c) We Have lifted off - A clever boy
(d) "Oh! Ma I miss you" - On Sicilian Town
(e) Hubert - Serge

4. Choose the correct answer: 5 x 1 = 5

- i) Kumar remembered his childhood picnic with his parents to
a) The Vandaloor Zoo b) Vedanthangal
c) Mahabalipuram d) The Marina Beach
ii) Dad finally got an employment
a) as a musician b) with an accounting firm
c) as a clerk d) as a pilot
iii) The artist was painting
a) The life of Judas Iscariot b) The life of Jesus
c) The life of an aged man d) The life of a young man
iv) The boy's name was
a) Golgy b) Shelly c) Sam d) Diane
v) Hubert was a boy of
a) ten years b) fourteen years c) twelve years d) five years

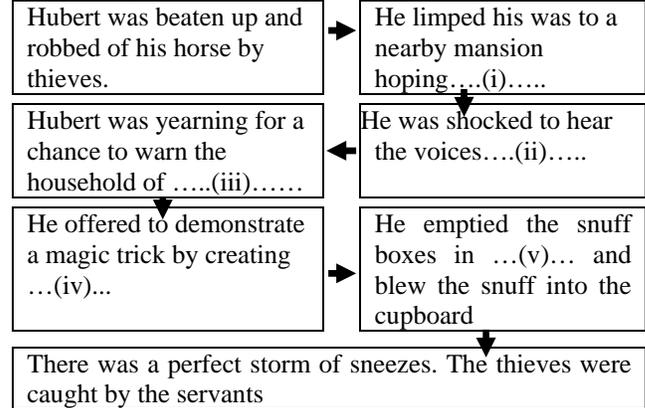
5. Read the passage and answer the questions: 5 x 1 = 5

After tea that night, Mum began to teach herself to play. She plinked and plonked the keys for about two hours and drove everybody in the street mad, until dad gently said, "Enough is enough" From that day on, Mum became obsessed with her piano. Everyday she would plink and plonk between doing the cooking and housework. Within a month she was belting out a tune to the amazement of everybody in the street. Needless to say Dad was as pleased as punch with Mum's tenacity and her obvious talent. Three months went by and Mum was now practically an accomplished pianist, holding sing – along parties in our lounge with all the neighbours gathering around to croon "She'll be Coming Round the Mountain "and" Goodnight Irene" Although we were poor Mum felt like a princess and was delighted at all the attention she was receiving.

- (i) When did Mum teach herself to play?
(ii) Who said "Enough is Enough?"
(iii) What made Mum popular in the neighbourhood?

(iv) What were the songs sung by the neighbours?

(v) Who felt like a princess?

6. Study the given mind map and fill the details: 5x1=5**7. Answer in a paragraph (any one) 1 x 5 = 5**

- (a) Attempt a charcter sketch of Celine. (OR) (b) Narrate the story "The face of Judas Iscariot" in your own words. (OR) (c) How did the close encounter result in bringing the brothers closer to each other?

SECTION – II (Language Functions: 15 Marks)**8. Make the notes and prepare a summary 5+5=10**

Everyday, we see the creepy, crawling as well as the winged insects in the surroundings. Thers insects are of two kinds the useful and the harmful. Bees and silkworm, which provide honey and silk fall under the useful category. We get food and clothing from them. Under the harmful category are the locusts and mosquitoes. Crops are either eaten or destroyed by locusts whereas cause malaria, bringing death to many. They are neither harmless nor useful. Above these two categories are the beautiful, pretty and colourful one's such as butterflies, lady birds etc.

9. Complete the following dialogue: 5 x 1 = 5

- X : Excuse me. (i)
Pharmacist : Yes, we have this medicine.
X : Have much does it cost ?
Pharmacist : (ii)
X : Could you give me a strip of ten tablets?
Pharmacist : Sorry. (iii) could you bring it?
X : Definitely. Here is the prescription. Is it a hazardous drug?
Pharmacist : (iv) An overdose may cause death?
(v)
X : Yes, I could give you the correct change.

SECTION – III (Communicative Skills: 15 Marks)**10. Write a dialogue with atleast ten utterances between a conductor and a passenger. 5****11. Ram started writing a letter to the Book Company complaining about the bad state of books received on transit. He is unable to complete the letter. Complete the content of his letter in about 100 words. 5**

From:

RAM, ABC School, Y City.

To:

The Manager, X Y Z Publications, Y City.

Sir,

Sub : Complaining about the damaged Parcel

Ref : Bill No, C 425 dated 6th April 2013I wish to bring to your kind notice the bad condition of the parcel received on 14th May

Kindly replace this damaged books at the earliest.

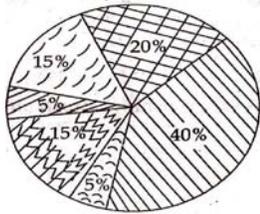
Thanking you,

Your's faithfully,
RAM**12. Prepare an advertisement on the information: 5**

- (a) Zee Fine Arts Academy - admission open - carnatic vocal, veena - violin guitar - keyboard classes - drawing and art classes - contact - no : duration of course - fees.
(OR) (b) Kids, Toddlers and Pranksters ! Rush in, swarm in! - GRAB THE OFFER!! PAY 20% less - Toys - to paly with - colourful ones, novel, - handy, easy to operate, - Pick and choose from a wide - variety - Raj street - Chennai.

SECTION – IV (Expansion of Ideas: 35 Marks)**13. Expand the following headlines: 5x1=5**

- (a) Business Campaign launched in China.
(b) Unexpected visit of Minister of Schools.
(c) Indian awarded Nobel Prize for Physics.
(d) Diminishing Water Supplies – Farmers Worried.
(e) Srudents take up rally to create AIDS awareness.

14. Study the Pie – Chart and answer : 5 x 1 = 5

- 20% - Uncovered Wells
40% - Using Lakes as public toilets
5% - Washing clothes in river
15% - Draining Kitchen and toilet waste into lakes and river
5% - Bathing cattle in river
15% - Throwing chemical waste into lakes and river.

- i) What causes major pollution to water bodies?
a) washing clothes in river b) Bathing cattle in rivers
c) using lakes as public toilet d) uncovered wells
- ii) Identify the wastes that is not dumped into the river.
a) Kitchen wastes b) chemical wastes
c) wind swept rubbish d) toilet waste water
- iii) 10% of the river water is used for -----
a) washing clothes b) bathing cattle
c) washing clothes and bathing cattle
d) Throwing wastes into the river.
- iv) ----- percent of hazard to water bodies in Bharath's locality is caused by uncovered wells.
a) 40% b) 5% c) 20% d) 15%
- v) State whether the following statement is True or False
Bharath's locality does not get clean water.

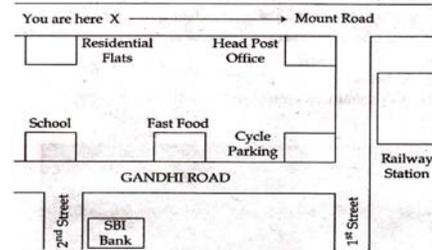
15. Write a paragraph using the hints: 5

(a) Weekend holiday necessary – rest after a week of heavy work – can pursue our hobbies – do whatever we enjoy like (examples) – result : refreshed for the next week – on street, better performance – better attitude and behavior. [OR]

(b) Walking – healthy habit – body fit – physical exercises – early morning – fresh air – blood circulation – heart – lungs – prevent heart attack – healthy – happy.

16. Match the following products and slogans: 5 x 1= 5

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|--------------------|---|-------------------------|
| a) Air conditioner | - | The Magic of Words |
| b) Pen | - | Smile in style |
| c) Vaccum cleaner | - | Melt in the mouth |
| d) Lip stick | - | Cool and pleasant |
| e) Milk chocolates | - | Dust and dirt disappear |

17. Observe the map. Guide the stranger to the State Bank of India. Write the instructions by way of helping him. 5**18. Read the poem and complete its paraphrase: 5**

The father and a boy
The boy stood on the burning deck;
Whence all but him had fled;
The flame that lit the battle's wreck
Shone round him O' er the dear,
Yet beautiful and bright he stood,
As born to rule the storm,
A creature of heroic blood,
A proud though childlike form,
The flames rolled on; he would not go
Without his father's word;
The father' faint in death below;
His voice no longer heard.

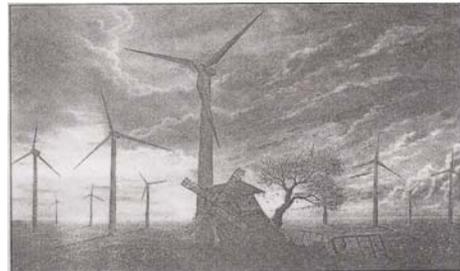
The boy was standing on the (i) ----- .The ship was (ii) ----- . The boy would not leave without getting the (iii) -----of his father. Whom he (iv) ----- . His father was dead. The boy stood (v) -----braving the fire still waiting for the command from his captain.

19. (a) Translation: 5

The following is an announcement in Tamil which you hear while on the electric train. A foreign co-passenger is not able to understand it. Translate it into English for him.

Translate the instructions into English to help him.

இந்த மின் வண்டி அடுத்துவரும் நிறுத்தத்தில் இரண்டு நிமிடங்கள் கூடுதலாக நிறத்தும். பயணிகள் நிதானமாக இறங்கி ஏறவும். (OR)

(b) Look at the picture given below. Express your views on it in about five sentences.

QUESTION PAPER SET-2**SSLC SEPTEMBER 2014 - ENGLISH I****Time: 2½ hours****Marks: 100****SECTION – A (VOCABULARY : 20 MARKS)**

PART - I

1. Choose the appropriate Synonyms: 5X1=5

The beggar was a **wizened**(i) old man with a face like wrinkled **parchment**(ii) and a most **piteous**(iii) expression. Over his shoulders was flung a **coarse**(iv) brown cloak, all tear and tatters; his thick boots were patched. He held out his hands for **alms**(v)

- vi) a) looked dried up b) speckled c) ruggish d) dirty
vii) a) wet b) piece of paper c) wrinkled d) box
viii) a) oppressed b) irritated c) sad d) furious
ix) a) rough b) curled c) heavy d) torn
x) a) sovereign b) offerings c) coppers d) hunger

2. Choose the appropriate antonyms: 5x1=5

My expectations were **soaring**(i) high at the prospect of visiting my brother in the U.S. I was much **excited**(ii) and **triumphantly**(iii) announced to my friends the date of my journey. On landing at the airport, its **exceptional** (iv) beauty and **grandiose**(v) environment amazed me.

- vi) a) shooting b) searing c) decreasing d) descending
vii) a) calm b) deprived c) exhilarated d) denied
viii) a) tremendously b) dejectedly
c) shamefully d) unsuccessfully
ix) a) exciting b) electrifying c) uncommon d) usual
x) a) unimpressive b) grand c) weak d) ugly

II. Answer any ten of the following: 10x1=10

3. The common expansion of **SBI** is:
a) State Bank of India b) State Branch Instructor
c) State Business Institute d) Southern Bank of India
4. Fill in the blanks with the correct homophones:
a) She **knew** the address. b) She **new** the address.
5. Replace the underlined word with its American word.
The crippled man entered the **lift**.
6. Which of the words given below can be placed after the word **walking** to form a compound word?
a) pole b) stick c) belt d) cane
7. What is the plural form of the word **index** ?
a) indices b) indexs c) indice d) indexes
8. Attach a prefix to the word '**legal**' from the list given below to complete the sentence.
They fought ----- legal battle.
a) -in b) -un c) -il d) -non
9. Replace with phrasal verbs given below.
The lawyer **managed** the case cleverly.
a) dealt in b) dealt with c) dealt out d) dealt on
10. Separate the syllables of any one of the following
a) fascinating b) commented c) determination
11. Choose the appropriate word to fill the dash.
The rhythm of the songs was fast and.....
a) interesting b) lively c) melodious d) quick
12. Construct a sentence using one of the words given.
a) life b) living c) lively

13. Reframe the sentence using the word as a verb.
The professor gave a **definition** of the formula.
14. Which of the two sentences conveys same meaning.
We will always remember those golden childhood days.
a) We will never forget our childhood days.
b) We will try to remember the childhood days.

SECTION – B (GRAMMAR: 25 MARKS)**PART – I Answer all the following: 10x1=10**

15. Which of the options will suit to fill the sentence?
If the driver had been alert -----.
a) the accident can be avoided b) the accident could be avoided c) the accident could have been avoided
16. Identify the pattern of the following sentence
The player entered the room.
a) SVO b) SVA c) SVC
17. Choose the correct question tag.
They were climbing the trees, -----?
a) weren't they b) aren't they c) isn't they
18. Complete the sentence
Chandra's handwriting is ----- (good) than that of Sonu.
a) good b) better c) best
19. Choose the sentence which conveys same meaning.
We shall remain ever grateful to you.
a) We shall never be grateful to you. b) We shall always remain ungrateful to you. c) We shall always be grateful to you.
20. Complete with the correct prepositional phrase.
.... the book, I returned it to the library.
a) Having read b) Having been reading
c) Having reading
21. Choose the correct verb form to complete
The man was able ----- his friend by his clothes.
a) identify b) to identify c) identifying
22. Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence.
I tried out ----- experiment.
a) a b) an c) the
23. Choose the appropriate preposition to complete.
We could not get help ----- anyone. a) from b) till c) in
24. Choose the appropriate article to complete.
Fools are susceptible-----.
a) on flattery b) for flattery c) to flattery

II. Answer all. Rewrite as directed. 5x2=10

25. Combine the two sentences into a single sentence
Shyam gave the right answer. He was very happy.
26. Rewrite the sentence in the other voice.
He received a letter from his father.
27. Rewrite the sentence in the indirect Speech
Gopi requested Suresh to lend him a pen.
28. Rewrite the sentence using if clause.
She gets the tickets. She will go to Delhi.
29. Read and write a sentence using any one of the degrees.
Rina is 6 feet tall. Veena is 5 feet tall. Tian is 4.5 feet tall. Aruna is 4 feet tall. Meena is 6.5 feet tall.

PART – III 30. Punctuate the following sentence: 5
rita shouted come and get me out

SECTION – C (PROSE:15MARKS)**PART – I Answer any five of the following: 5x2=10**

31. How did Messiaen spend his time in prison?
32. What can artists do to save the planet?
33. How would you define the true spirit of discipline?
34. What caused the commotion in the street?
35. Why didn't the narrator play the piano after the terrible incident?
36. How many shillings make a pound?
37. What is the speciality of the vimanam?

PART – II Answer in a paragraph (any one): 1x5=5

38. (a) Attempt a character sketch of : (i) Hughie (ii) The Baron?
(OR) (b) Describe briefly how birds migrate? (OR) (c) Describe any two duties of a student as pointed out by Gokhale.

SECTION – D (POETRY : 20 MARKS)**PART – I Quote from memory (any one) 1x5=5**

39. a) Five lines of the poem- 'Going for water.'
From: "We ran
To: we paused."
b) Five lines of the poem "Migrant Bird"
From: "Through fears"
To: sons.

PART – II Read the poetic lines and answer 5x1=5

40. *The reddest flower would look as pale as snow.*

Why would the flowers look pale?

41. *"The days of toil*

Hammer and chisel laid aside"

What are the tools mentioned here?

42. *"No maps, no boundaries to block
My sojourn into unknown lands.*

Whose sojourn is referred to here?

43. *"If we cared for any meadows it were merely
To drop down in them and sleep".*

How are the meadows used by the children?

- 44* *Then what gems would we see?
Perhaps a beautiful heart.*

What does the poet mean by 'a beautiful heart'?

PART – III Read the poem lines and answer 5x1=5

45. *"So now it is vain for the singer to burst into clamour
With the great black piano appassionate. The glamour"*

Pick out the words that rhyme in these lines.

46. *"Not loth to have excuse to go
Because the autumn eve was fair
(Though chill,) because, the fields were ours.
And by the brook our woods were there".*

Bring out the rhyme scheme employed in these lines

47. *"Sinews taut yet steady"*

Identify the alliteration word.

48. *" We ran as if to meet the moon
That slowly dawned behind the trees.
The barren boughs without the leaves
Without the birds without the breeze".*

Pick out the words in alliteration in the above stanza.

- 49*. *"Now drops that floated on the pool like pearl."*

Identify the figure of speech employed in this line.

PART – IV Answer in a paragraph (any one) 1x5=5

50. (a) How does the poet of the poem "The Piano" reminisce his childhood days? (OR) (b) How does the Shilpi succeed in creating God's images in stone? (OR) (c) How does the birds life differ from the life of human beings?

SECTION –E (LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS: 20 MARKS)**51. Read the passage and answer the questions: 5x2=10**

If there is one single factor responsible for the alarming raise in heart attacks among young seemingly healthy Indians, It is smoking, for patients younger than forty, smoking was the numbers one cause for heart disease. While the numbers of people who smoke, has dropped by almost 40 percent in the same period. Smoking a pack of cigarettes a day, makes you seven times more vulnerable to heart disease than a non – smoker.

The good news is that quitting the smoking can down the risk factor by a huge margin. A person who gives up smoking can within a year, reduce the risk factor to that of a non – smoker.

- a) Why is smoking harmful to young and healthy people?
- b) What is the change that has taken place in the west during the last decade?
- c) What is the change that has taken place in India during the last decade?
- d) How can a person reduce the chances of having a heart attack?
- e) Give a suitable heading of the above passage.

52. Identify and correct the errors 5x1=5

- a) Hemu prefers coffee than tea.
- b) One of the girl is tall.
- c) Gopal ia a M.A. in English.
- d) Rajan went to abroad.
- e) Anand is senior than Govind.

53. Look at the picture and answer the questions 5

- a) What do you see in this picture?
- b) What many coconut trees are there?
- c) Where is the house situated?
- d) Where can you see this scenery?
- e) Do you have the experience of travelling in a boat?

(* old syllabus question is replaced with a new one)

QUESTION PAPER SET-2**SSLC SEPTEMBER 2014 - ENGLISH II****Time: 2½ hours****Marks: 100****SECTION – I (Non – Detailed: 35 Marks)****1. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate phrases: 5**

The story of the---(i)---spread afar and many men fancying themselves of wicked countenance offered to pose as models for--(ii)--but--(iii)--. The old painter looked for a face that would serve to show Judas as he envisioned him: a man ---(iv)--- enfeebled by---(v)--- and lust.

(i) warped by life (ii) surrender to greed (iii) the face of Judas (iv) unfinished master piece (v) in vain

2. Read and identify the character/speaker: 5x1=5

- (i) "Someone must have trained him."
 (ii) "Home is where the heart is!"
 (iii) "We'll ring the fire brigade".
 (iv) "I bought your mom a piano"
 (v) "He beckoned the old man to toss him his Snuff box."

3. Match the following appropriately: 5 x 1 = 5

- (a) Child Jesus - Dad
 (b) Kumar - Clever little boy
 (c) Flying officer - Celine's daughter
 (d) Amandine - Twelve years old boy
 (e) Hubert - Young and enterprising

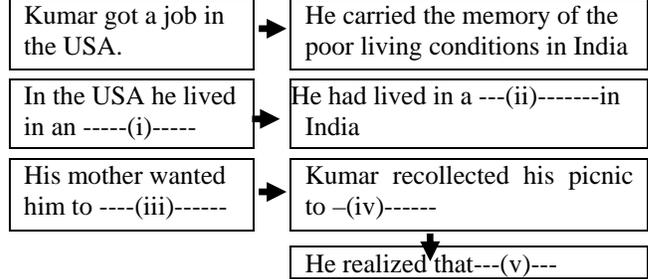
4. Choose the correct answer: 5 x 1 = 5

- (i) The author's father was a flying officer during -----
 (a) Seven Years war (b) World War II
 (c) World War I (d) Civil War
 (ii) The boy's mother brought home a new ----- for Goldy to play with.
 (a) chew toy (b) sweets (c) food (d) pencil
 (iii) Lunel is a small town in Southern ----- .
 (a) Germany (b) Italy (c) France (d) England
 (iv) There were ----- thieves hiding in the cupboard. .
 (a) three (b) six (c) four (d) five
 (v) The young man who approached the artist begged for--
 (a) money (b) wine (c) food (d) clothes

5. Read the passage and answer the questions: 5 x 1 = 5

It turned out that since returning from the war, Dad had been unable to find a job. At that time I was too young to understand why anyone would get sad and worried about that, because I thought I would be as happy as a cat in a fish shop to have such a long holiday. Then a few weeks later I observed the same big horse pulling a cart down our street and it clip-clopped right up into our drive way. Soon two men began to load mum piano onto the wagon while all the neighbours gathered around to watch. Mum stayed in the kitchen, sobbing. She was a proud person and couldn't bear to see her beloved piano sitting on top of the wagon. Dad sat out in the backyard next to the chicken shed, looking sadder than I had ever seen him.

- (i) Who was returning from the war?
 (ii) Did his father find a job?
 (iii) Why did Mum stay in the kitchen?
 (iv) How old was the author?
 (v) How was the Piano being taken away?

6. Study the given mind map and fill the details: 5x1=5**7. Answer in a paragraph (any one) 1 x 5 = 5**

- (a) Narrate the story 'Sam' in your own words. (OR)
 (b) Attempt a character sketch of Celine. (OR) (c) How did the encounter bring the brothers closer to each other?

SECTION – II (Language Functions: 15 Marks)**8. Make the notes and prepare a summary 5+5=10**

The distribution of forests among different districts of the state is very uneven. Concentration of forest is mostly in the hills of the western and in the Javadi group of hills in Vellore district. Dence forests are also seen in Salem district. More than half of the area in the Nilgiris is under forest. Others districts hold 1% to 5% area under forests. Thanjavur being the alluvial plain is suitable for agriculture which has less than 1% of forest cover.

The forest of Tamilnadu has different types of trees. Most of the trees in the state shed their leaves in the dry season. Tamilnadu has large areas of sandal wood Plantations about 5,88,000 hectares. Hard wood trees are available in the forests of Coimbatore, Nilgiris and Kanyakumari. Kanyakumari district has rubber plantations. (148 words).

9. Complete the following dialogue: 5 x 1 = 5

Anitha : I want a family pack of chocolate ice-cream.
 Salesman : Sorry madam (i) -----.
 Anitha : Do you (ii) ----- ?
 Salesman : Please wait madam.
 Anitha : How much (iii) -----?
 Salesman : (iv) -----
 Anitha : (v) -----

SECTION – III (Communicative Skills: 15 Marks)**10. Write a dialogue with at least five utterances between a passenger and a conductor. 5****11. Maha celebrated her birthday last week. Her uncle Raman had presented her a watch. Maha wants to thank him for the gift. The format of the letter is ready. Help Maha to complete the content of her letter in about 100 words. 5**

36, Sastri Street,
 Siva Nagar,
 Trichy.

27th March, 2014

My dear uncle,

Convey my regards to Aunty.

Yours lovingly,
 Maha

Address on the envelope
To,

Mr. Raman
15, Thiru Nagar
Kanchipuram
Pin : xxxxxxxxx

12. Prepare an advertisement on the information: 5

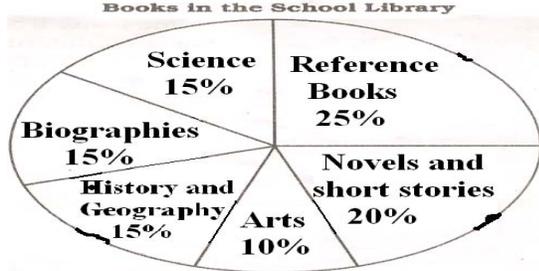
- (a) Videocon sale – 20% discount – gift hampers – Adi Special offer – (Cell No. 999 888 7771) (OR)
(b) Singapore – 4 nights and 3 days - Rs.30,000 – accommodation – sights – seeing – book now – Tours and Travels – No 1, MahaRaja Road - Pudukkottai

SECTION – IV (Expansion of Ideas: 35 Marks)

13. Expand the following headlines: 5x1=5

- (a) Sachin was awarded 'Bharat Ratna' for cricket
(b) +2 students to receive laptops soon
(c) Mobile phones banned in schools
(d) Jewels stolen from the house in Mylapore
(e) PM to visit Chennai in may

14. Study the Pie – Chart and answer : 5 x 1 = 5



- (i) The Library gives most importance to -----?
(a) Novels and short stories (b) Reference books
(c) History and Geography (d) Biographies
- (ii) The least percentage of books stored in this Library is on -----.
(a) Science (b) History and Geography
(c) Arts (d) Novels and short stories
- (iii) The second highest percentage of books stored in this library is on -----
(a) Novels and short stories (b) Biographies
(c) History and Geography (d) Science
- (iv) There are as many books on science as there are on --
(a) Biography (b) Arts
(c) Reference books (d) Novels and short stories
- (v) There is a ----- difference between books on science and those on Reference books.
(a) 20% (b) 15% (c) 5% (d) 10%

15. Write a paragraph using the hints: 5

(a) Books – man's friend – educate entertain – get pleasure, profit – Gandhi, Nehru read in prison – preserve idea of great minds – in their company – many read for exams – have a small library – today computers replace – virus kills – bur books last - everywhere. [OR]

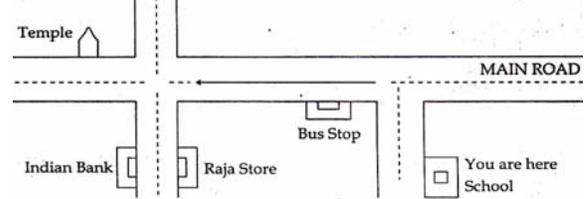
(b) Students – take care of health - time their study – get enough sleep – eat healthy food – regular study hour – avoid last minute cramming – last minute tension – attention in class – recapitulation at home – clear doubts – drink – enough water.

16. Match the following products and slogans: 5 x 1= 5

- a) Credit card - connecting India
b) Air conditioner - plastic money
c) Shampoo - have a peaceful sleep
d) All out mosquito repellent - Bring Switzerland into your room
e) BSNL - leaves your hair smooth and silky

17. Observe the map given below and write the instructions required.

You are near the school. An old man asks you to direct him to the Indian Bank. Guide him with your directions in about 50 words.



18. Read the poem and complete its paraphrase: 5

The poet wants

I want to climb the highest tree
Study stars and their mystery
I want to touch clouds above
Finds someone I can talk to, now!
I want to be a designer-
Make dreams that just don't disappear
I want to be an artist too-
Paint pictures of me and you
There are lots of things on this Earth
New ideas that are taking birth
But before I discover what I want to be
I must to discover me!

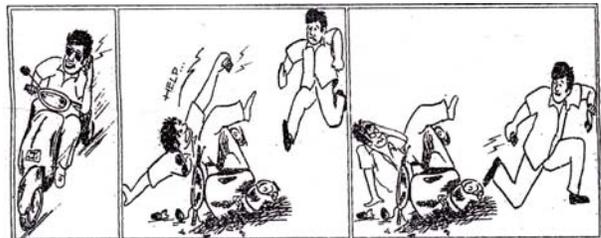
I want to climb (i) ----- and study stars and (ii) -----
----- I want to talk to someone above (iii) ----- I want to be (iv) ----- and paint pictures of myself and others. New ideas are coming up continuously. I want to (v) ----- before discovering what I want to be.

19. (a) Translation: 5

A Foreigner wants to go to Malar Medical Store. As he does not Know Tamil, help him to understand the instructions through your translation.

பிரதான சாலையில் தெற்கு நோக்கி நேராகச் செல்லவும். சிறிது தூரம் கடந்த பின்னர் வலது புற சந்தில் திரும்பினால் காந்தி சாலையை அடைவீர்கள். அங்கிருந்து நேர்பாதையில் சென்றால் 2 நிமிடங்களில் சாலையின் வலது புறத்தில் மலர் மருந்தகத்தை சென்றடைவீர்கள். (OR)

(a) Look at the picture given below. Express your views on it in about five sentences.



SSLC Public Examination, JUNE 2014**English I Paper – Answer Key**

1. i) supreme - greatest/best
ii) unsophisticated - simple iii) prey - victim
iv) unfits - doesnot suit v) independent - free
2. i) tragedy X comedy ii) development X retardation
iii) invisible X visible iv) especially X commonly
v) brutality X kindness
3. SBI – c) State Bank of India
4. **Our** day on earth is measured by the **hour**
5. dustbin- trash can / garbage can
- 6.d) **handwritten** 7.b) memorandum-memoranda
- 8.b) **Performance**
- 9.c) friendly relationship with – get on
10. ob-ser – va – ble → 4 syllables,
(or) peo - ple → 2 syllables,
(or) pro - per - ly → 3 syllables.
11. receive
12. a) Please **beautify** the room with roses. }
b) The room was **beautifully** decorated. }
c) She is very **beautiful**
13. His best performance got appreciation.
14. Very few boys lost in the zonal matches.
15. b) if he had attended the interview
16. c) SVOC 17. a) has he 18. b) as populous as
- 19.c) Everyone can remember the achievements
of our Indian Scientists 20.b) In spite of
- 21.a) realise 22.b) on listening 23. a) an
- 24.b) behind
25. As I broke my ankle in a football match, I had to go
to hospital.
26. The government awarded him a prize and he was
congratulated by his mother.
27. The teacher said to the students, “ Don’t write on
both the sides of the paper.”
28. If Ashok doesn’t work hard, he will not secure high
marks. / If Ashok works hard, he will secure high
marks.”
29. Ajay’s weight is more than Vikram’s weight.*
30. “ We wake up every morning fighting over water ”
says Kamal Bhate.
- 31- 39 – **Refer Way To Success Guide**
- 40) A simple man with good qualities.
- 41) Success and Failure (Triumph and disaster) are the
two impostors.
- 42) Since it was night time, each laid a staying hand on
the other for safety.
- 43) They are very tired.
- 44) Hammer and chisel are laid aside.
- 45) master-disaster; aim-same
- 46) betrays, back, belong
- 47) a a b b 48) **Simile** 49) Simile
50. **Refer Way to Success Guide**

51. a) According to the passage **People from Srilanka and Southern India** were the earliest settlers of Maldives.
b) Maldives is situated in **the Indian Ocean**.
c) **The bush green vegetation, clean, sand beaches and the turquoise blue lagoons** makes the Virgin Islands a perfect holiday experience.
d) The **underwater coral gardens, the colourful marine life at their natural habitat** contributes to Maldives tourist attraction.
e) **Hinduism, Buddhism and Islam** have been practised in Maldives since 1153.A.D.
51. a) He is one of the talkative **boys** in the class.
b) Very few students have scored **as** high as Madan.
c) Kiran is **too** ill to go to school.
d) Remove the **furniture** from here.
e) He is **an** honest man.
- 53) a) I see dry field, mountains, a goat and some people in this picture.
b) The field appears dry.
c) The people are carrying buckets with water
d) A small pond
e) Low rainfall and Insufficient water supply could be the reason.

English II Paper – Answer Key

1. i) bright light ii) the firemen iii) shining
iv) started tapping v) battering
2. i) Judas Model ii) Shelly’s Mom
iii) Rob’s Father iv) Kumar v) Hubert
3. a) on Sicilian town b) Serge c) Rex Coker
d) Kumar e) A clever boy
4. i) b) Vedanthangal ii) b) with an accounting firm
iii) b) the life of Jesus iv) b) Shelly
v) b) fourteen years
5. i) After tea that night, Mum taught herself to play.
ii) Rob’s **Dad** said “Enough is enough.”
iii) She was **belting out a tune within a month**.
This made Mum popular in the neighbourhood.
iv) “**She’ll be Coming Round the Mountain**” and
“**Goodnight Irene**” were the songs sung by the neighbours.
v) Rob’s **Mum** felt like a princess.
6. i) to get some help ii) the impending danger
iii) of the thieves iv) a storm v) in the narrow gap
- 7.& 8. **Refer Way To Success Guide / Make your own**
9. X : Do you have this medicine?
Pharmacist: It costs Rs.50
Pharmacist: Please, Show your prescription.
Pharmacist: Yes. It is hazardous.
Could you give me exact change
- 10 to 13. **Refer Way To Success Guide/Make your own**

14. i) c) using lakes as public toilet ii) c) wind swept rubbish iii) c) washing clothes and bathing cattle iv) c) 20% v) True
15. Refer Way To Success Guide / Make your own
16. a) cool and pleasant b) The magic of words c) Dust and dirt disappear d) smile in style e) Melt in mouth
17. Refer Way To Success Guide / Make your own
18. i) deck of a ship ii) burning iii) voice iv) respected v) on the deck
19. Refer Way To Success Guide / Make your own

23. a) from
24. c) to flattery

Answer all. Rewrite as directed. 5x2=10

25. *Shyam gave the right answer and so he was happy.
As Shyam gave the right answer he was happy.
26. A letter was received by him from his father.
27. Gopi said to Suresh, "Please lend me a pen."
28. If she gets the tickets, she will go to Delhi.
29. *Meena is taller than Veena. (OR)
Meena is the tallest of all.

30. Punctuation. 5
Rita shouted, "Come and get me out."

SECTION – III (PROSE: 15MARKS)

Answer any five of the following 5x2=10

31. He wrote music composition "Quartet for the end of time"- in prison.
32. Artists can bring wellness to this planet. They provide peace and equality.
33. The true spirit of discipline means that one should subordinate one's own judgement, convenience and wishes to the welfare of other people.
34. Water scarcity caused the commotion in the street. (OR) The arrival of water tank caused commotion in the street.
35. The attack on the Twin Towers of the World Trade Centre had a paralyzing effect on everyone. After that tragic event, the narrator couldn't play the piano.
36. 20 (twenty) shillings make a pound.
37. The vimanam is built with stones and without mortar. The topmost stone weighs 80 tons.

Answer in a paragraph (any one) 1x5=5

38. a) (i) **Hughie:** A handsome young man - no job - money - wanted to marry Laura - her father - put condition - earn 10,000 pounds - one day - saw - a beggar model - took pity - gave sovereign - mistook - a millionaire Baron Hausberg - gave ten thousand pounds - reward.
(ii) **Baron Hausberg:** Wizened face - very tattered cloak - patched boots - one of the richest men in Europe - gave - ten thousand pounds - reward.
(OR)

- b) **Birds – Migration:** Migration - greatest mysteries - during autumn - early winter - travel from their nesting places - warmer lands - return again - spring - early summer - punctual - seasonal journey -

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1. Synonyms 5X1=5

- i) wizened - a) looked dried up
ii) parchment - b) piece of paper
iii) piteous - c) sad
iv) coarse - a) rough
v) alms - b) offerings

2. Antonyms 5x1=5

- i) soaring - c) decreasing
ii) excited - a) calm
iii) triumphantly - d) unsuccessfully
iv) exceptional - d) usual
v) grandiose - a) unimpressive

Answer any ten of the following: 10x1=10

3. SBI - a) **State Bank of India.**
4. a) She **knew** the address.
5. lift - **elevator**
6. walking **stick**
7. index - ***indices / indexes**
8. **illegal**
9. managed - **dealt with**
10. a) Fas- ci -na - ting →4 Syllables
b) com- men - ted → 3 Syllables
c) de - ter - mi - na - tion → 5 Syllables
11. *a) **interesting/ b) lively / c) quick**
12. *Any meaningful sentence without grammatical error.
(a) life (b) living (c) lively
13. The professor **defined** the formula.
14. a) **We will never forget our childhood days.**

SECTION – II (GRAMMAR: 25 MARKS)

Answer all the following. 10x1=10

15. c) the accident could have been avoided.
16. b) SVA
17. a) weren't they?
18. b) better
19. c) we shall always be grateful to you.
20. a) having read
21. b) to identify
22. b) an

escape from cold - find food - long journey - some fly - without pausing to rest or feed - some by day and night - move fast after the sunset.

(OR)

- c) **Gokhale:** Gokhale - delivered - speech - response - addressed the students - four duties - duty to oneself - two fold duty - second one - fellow students - third one - reverent to parents and teachers - last one duty to government. (write any two duties)

SECTION - IV (POETRY : 20 MARKS)**Quote from memory (any one)****1x5=5**

39. a) We ran as if to meet the moon
That slowly dawned behind the trees,
The barren boughs without the leaves,
Without the birds, without the breeze.
But once within the wood we paused.
- b) Through fears and fright I fly my flight.
No walls for me, no vigil gates,
No flags, no machine guns that blast
Citizens of those border states-
Brothers of her brother's sons.

Read the poetic lines and answer**5x1=5**

40. Because of the children's hard work, the
Children's eyes were redder than the Flowers.
41. Hammer and chisel.
42. Birds sojourn / Migrant birds.
43. The meadows are used to sleep by the children.
44. *Millionaire (old syllabus)

Read the poem lines and answer**5x1=5**

45. Clamour, Glamour. 46. Abcb 47. sinews - steady.
48. Meeet - Moon, That - Trees, Barren - Boughs,
Without - without, Birds - Breeze
49. Personification / Oxymoron (old syllabus)

Answer in a paragraph (any one)**1x5=5**

- 50.a) **The Piano:** The poet D.H. Lawrence reminds his childhood - His mother - playing and singing - he sits under the piano - touches the feet - smiles - on Sunday evenings - sing hymns - warmth of comfortable - woman sings - no effect - weep like a child for the past.

(OR)

- b) **Shilpi:** The Shilpi - sculptor - shaping raw stone into a statue - hammer and chisel - series of - short detached sounds - rhythm - tempo hammer is fickle - finishing works - he surveys - eyes red - deep pride.

(OR)

- c) **Migrant Bird:** Birds life differs from the life of human beings. A migrant bird - speaks - its journey - globe as world - clouds as relatives - without fear - wants

to fly - no wall - authority - to stop its journey - no boundaries.

SECTION - V (LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS: 20 MARKS)**51. Read the passage and answer the questions:****5x2=10**

- a) Smoking is harmful to young and healthy people because it causes heart diseases.
- b) 40% of people dropped smoking in the west during the last decade.
- c) Smoking has been astonishingly doubled in India during the last decade.
- d) By quitting the smoking a person can reduce the chances of having a heart attack.
- e) Smoking is injurious to health.

52. Identify and correct the errors:**5x1=5**

- a) Hemu prefers coffee to tea.
- b) One of the girls is tall.
- c) Gopal is an M.A in English.
- d) Rajan went__ abroad.
- e) Anand is senior to Govind.

53. Look at the picture and answer the questions:**5x1=5**

- a) I see natural scenery in this picture/ a boat/ a house/ a mountain/ sun/ trees/ river.
- b) There are seven coconut trees.
- c) The house is situated near the river.
- d) We can see this scenery in riverbed.
- e) Yes, I have/ No, I have not.

SSLC Examination September-2014**English Paper II - Answer Key****Section - I****Section-I**

1. i) unfinished master piece ii) The face of Judas
iii) in vain iv) warped by life
v) surrender to greed
2. i) Shelly's mom/mom ii) Kumar
iii) Louise Martinez (Serge's neighbour)
iv) Rob's Dad/author's Dad/ Dad
v) Hubert
3. a) Twelve year old boy b) Young and Enterprising
c) Dad d) Celine's daughter
e) Clever little boy
4. i) World war II ii) chew toy
iii) France iv) three v) wine

