

ENGLISH PAPER - II
MODEL QUESTION PAPER

TIME : 2 ½ hrs

Maximum Marks: 90

PART – A

(Answer all the questions: 20 x 1 = 20)

I. Complete each of the following by choosing the correct option: (10x1=10)

1. Phatik's friends rolled up their sleeves and began to push the _____.
a) half-sunk boat b) broke down carriage c) sal tree log d) jammed door
2. Mme. Forestier was Matilda's rich _____.
a) school mate b) relative c) neighbour d) college friend
3. The Magi were the wise men who brought gifts to the _____.
a) Santa Claus b) Babe in the Manger c) Messengers of God d) Guardian Angels
4. Ambi's mother suffered from _____.
a) asthma b) diabetes c) joint pains d) migraine
5. When appa returned from Bombay, he bought a _____.
a) mobile phone b) palmtop computer c) pager d) calculator
6. Dick Fawcett's life underwent a transformation, when the little cat walked in on him _____ ago.
a) eleven months b) five weeks c) six years d) forty days
7. _____ was the title of the English book that Pudumaipittan was reading.
a) Hidden Figures b) Historical Documents c) The Art of War d) The Canterville Ghost
8. Phatik was considered as _____ by his aunt.
a) a lucky charm b) an arch enemy c) a lifesaver d) an evil star
9. The description ' _____ ' applied to both - the fob chain and Jim.
a) richness and glory b) grandness and elegance c) greatness and splendour
d) quietness and value
10. Mr. James Herriot was a _____ by profession.
a) veterinarian b) physician c) surgeon d) oncologist

II. Identify 'who' said to 'whom': (5x1=5)

11. "Yes, it's true I've been to all sorts of places like Kasi and Haridwar."

- a) The Raja of Kasi to his daughter b) The writer to the Prime Minister's son
c) The guru to the princess d) The beggar woman to the writer's wife

12. "You'll put the saucer in the cupboard when you've taken your dose, won't you?"

- a) Mr. Herriot to Dick Fawcett b) Mr. Herriot to Mrs. Duggan
c) The District nurse to Mr. Fawcett d) Mr. Fawcett to Frisk

13. "It is the time to pay your advance income tax."

- a) Ambi to Appa b) Appa to Ambi c) Rowther to Appa d) Appa to Murugan

14. "Don't you like me just as well, anyhow? I'm me without my hair, ain't I?"

- a) Della to Mme. Sofronie b) Jim to Della c) Della to Jim d) Mme.Sofronie to Della

15. "Very well, I will give you four hundred francs."

- a) Matilda to Mme. Forestier b) Matilda to Loisel c) Loisel to Matilda d) Loisel to the Jeweller

III. Complete the proverbs with the suitable options: (5x1=5)

16. _____ is the mother of invention.

- a) Conversation b) Necessity c) Retention d) Scarcity

17. The pen is mightier than the _____.

- a) sword b) dagger c) spear d) spade

18. Fortune favours the _____.

- a) poor b) rich c) virtuous d) bold

19. Never look a gift _____ in the mouth.

- a) box b) article c) horse d) mule

20. _____ speak louder than words.

- a) Actions b) Microphones c) Thoughts d) Sentences

PART – B

Answer any seven of the following questions in brief: (Question No. 25 is compulsory) (7x2=14)

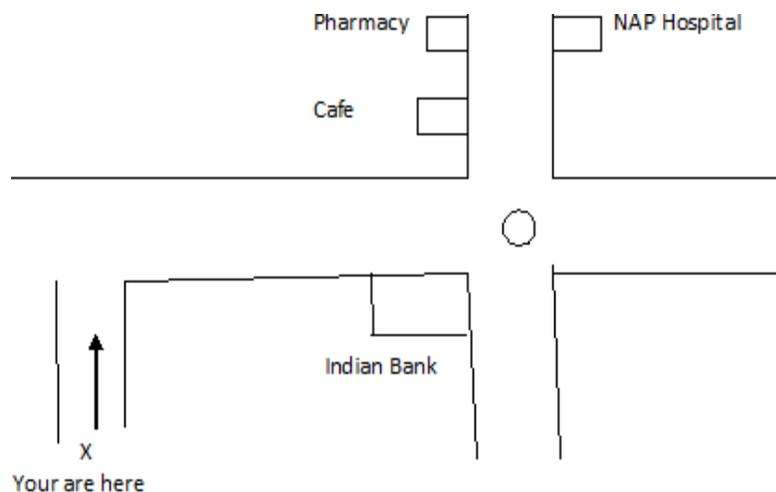
21. Mention any two methods of skimming?
22. What is scanning?
23. Write two important features of a slogan.
24. How should a report be written?
25. Why did the e-mail become so popular?
26. What is cohesion?
27. Name the two systems based on which the books are classified in libraries.
28. What are the important sections of a library?
29. What are the most common ways of locating a book using the online catalogue?
30. Mention any two spelling strategies that can help one spell words correctly.

PART – C

Answer any seven of the following questions (Question No. 38 is compulsory) : (7x3=21)

31. A stranger approaches you and requests you to direct him to the nearby pharmacy.

Write three instructions by way of helping him. Use the road map given below.



32. How will you remove grease stains on a dress? Describe the process briefly.

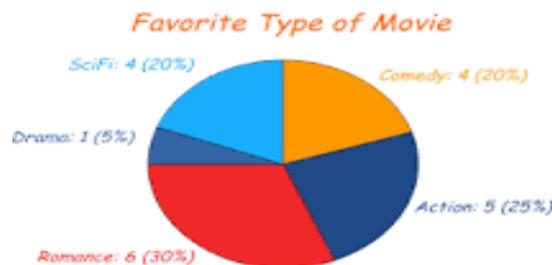
33. Write slogans : a) to advertise the product - a deodorant.

b) to highlight the risks of obesity.

34. Study the following table pertaining to the monthly expenditure of two families and write three sentences on your inference about the data:

Heads of Expenses	The Sridharans	The Hariharans
Food	35%	30%
Transport	10%	5%
Education	25%	20%
Recreation	15%	10%
Savings	10%	25%
Miscellaneous	5%	10%

35. Study the pie-chart given and answer the question that follow:



Questions:

- a) What are the two types of movies liked by equal percentage of people?
- b) Which type of movie is preferred by most number of people?
- c) Which type is least enjoyed and favoured by people?

36. Complete the following dialogue between Venkat and the police inspector.

Venkat: Good morning. I want to report a break-in happened last night.

Inspector: Good morning, Sir. _____?

Venkat: My old parents were there sleeping in the bedroom.

Inspector: Did they hear anything or see anyone?

Venkat: _____.

Inspector: What is missing?

Venkat: _____.

Inspector: Right, sir. Please fill and sign this form. We'll do our best.

37. Compose a short poem of 4 lines on the topic 'My Grandpa'.
38. Expand the following news headlines:
- a) 40% of seats in private engineering colleges vacant
 - b) Fire breaks out at ATM kiosk, none hurt
 - c) Hero injured while performing stunt sequence
39. Reshuffle the jumbled parts and frame meaningful sentences: (Retain the first part)
- a) Greed is / of human make up / and is the / behind corruption / an essential part / driving force
 - b) One of the / effectively / is looking for / important techniques / for reading / keywords
 - c) Scientists are / as much harm / sunscreen products / as good / worried that / may do
40. Explain the meaning of the proverb 'slow and steady wins the race' in about 30 words.

PART – D

Answer the following: (7 x 5 = 35)

41. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:

There were celebrations for several days. At length, a couple of days before his departure, Bhishvambar questioned his sister about the schooling and progress of her two sons. In reply, he was given a description of Phatik's uncontrollable wildness and inattention to study; while Makhan, by contrast, was perfectly behaved and a model student. Bhishvambar then proposed that he take Phatik to Calcutta, keep him with him and supervise his education. The widow easily agreed to this. 'Well, Phatik,' he asked the boy, 'how would you like to go to Calcutta with your uncle?' 'I'd love to', said Phatik, jumping up and down.

Questions:

- a) What were the celebrations for?
- b) Why did Bhishvambar offer to take Phatik to Calcutta?
- c) How was Makhan different from Phatik?
- d) Who is the widow referred to and how is she related to Bhishvambar?
- e) What was Phatik's reaction to Bhishvambar's suggestion?

(or)

Rearrange the jumbled sentence:

- a) So, she sold her hair and bought a platinum fob chain.
- b) Jim said that he had sold his watch to buy her a set of combs.
- c) Jim returned from office and was shocked to see Della.
- d) Della did not have enough money to buy her husband a gift.
- e) Della held out to Jim, her Christmas gift and asked him for his watch.

42. Answer in a paragraph of about 150 words:

How did the mystery of Frisk's illness get solved?

(or)

Present a character sketch of Matilda.

43. Paraphrase the following poem:

Here's an example from A Butterfly

That on a rough, hard rock

Happy can lie;

Friendless and all alone

On this unsweetened stone

Now let my bed be hard

No care take I;

I'll make my job like this

Small butterfly

Whose happy has power,

To make a stone a flower.

(or)

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below:

Power of kindness is great and grand,
Makes dumb speak and deaf hear,
And the blind see things quite clear,
Through the rays of the light of heart.
If kindness lives in words alone.
Seldom will it serve at all,
Turn they should as deeds of love,
To find a place in the hearts of war.
World has shrunk from what 't was,
For war to meet across the globe,
Is not a kindness a golden girdle,
To bring all mankind into the fold?

Questions:

- a) Where does the light of kindness come from?
- b) When will kindness be rendered useless?
- c) How can one find a place in other's heart?
- d) Why is kindness called a golden girdle?
- e) Give a suitable title to the poem.

44. Write a letter to your father seeking his permission to join swimming class.

(or)

Write a letter to the Headmaster of your school requesting him to issue your Transfer Certificate.

45. Read the following passage and make notes **(or)** write a summary:

Ants are among a few kinds of animals that divide up their work. Ants are of innumerable kinds. They are scattered wide over the world. Ants are called social insects because of the way they live. They live in groups or colonies. An ant colony is mostly made up of worker ants. The workers are female ants but they do not lay eggs. Only queen ants lay eggs. The young queens and the male ants have wings. Some of the worker ants of a colony gather food. Some do the house keeping and take care of the queen and baby ants. Some guard the nest. The workers that guard the nest may be bigger and have stronger jaws than the other workers. So they are called soldiers. Army ants march from place to place and they even build bridges and rope ways with their bodies by holding on one another. These ants are very fierce. Even elephants will try to get out of the way of an ant army. An ant colony is often marked by an anthill. To make rooms underground to live in, the workers carry sand up to the surface and dump it. But not all ants live underground. Carpenter ants live in dead wood. Some ants live inside people's houses. All ants have four stages in their life history. First, they are eggs, then tiny worm like larvae, next pupae and finally full grown ants.

46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words on the given topic:

A Thrilling Experience **(or)** Man and Machine

47. Frame a dialogue with a minimum of ten exchanges for the given situation:

Between two cricket players after their team lose a match very narrowly

(or)

Between a man and his wife discussing the arrangements to be made to celebrate their child's first birthday.
