SSC PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS 2025-26
THIRD LANGUAGE - ENGLISH

Time : 3 Hrs 15 Min.   **MODEL PAPER - I**   Max.Marks : 100

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4. Answer all the questions of Section –B (Grammar and Vocabulary) in the same order at one place in your answer book.

SECTION-A   (Reading Comprehension)

Q.No.(1–5): Read the following passage carefully.

The woman who was preparing supper, replied, "Yes, God willing". The older boys were working in the field, while the smaller ones were playing near the house until the woman called to them all, "Come for dinner". It was during the meal that, just as Lencho had predicted, big drops of rain began to fall. In the north-east huge mountains of clouds could be seen approaching. The air was fresh and sweet. The man went out for no other reason than to have the pleasure of feeling the rain on his body, and when he returned he exclaimed, "These aren't raindrops falling from the sky, they are new coins. The big drops are ten-cent pieces and the little ones are fives."

(A Letter to God)

Now, answer the following questions.   **5×2=10M**

1. Who is the woman mentioned in the passage?

2. How did Lencho feel initially?

3. What are the big drops compared to?

    A) Ten cents

    B) Five cents

    C) Ten dollars

4. What had Lencho predicted?

    A) all would come for dinner

    B) coins

    C) big drops of rain

5. Lencho went out in the rain to ......

    A) experience the weather

    B) welcome rain

    C) feel the rain on his body

Q.No.(6–10): Read the following stanza carefully.

Some say the world will end in fire
Some say in ice
From what I've tasted of desire
I hold with those who favour fire.
But if it had to perish twice,
I think I know enough of hate
To say that for destruction ice
is also great
And would suffice.   (Fire and ice)

Choose the correct answers to the following questions   **5 × 1 = 5M**

6. People believe that the world will end either in .... or in ....

7. 'I' in the stanza refers to...............

8. 'Desire' in the third line stands for ......

    A) happy memories

    B) noble purposes

    C) uncontrolled passions

9. Here to 'favour fire' implies that fire is

    A) essential

    B) destructive

    C) pleasant

10. What is 'ice' symbolic of?

    A) heat of desires

    B) love and passion

    C) cold feelings like hatred

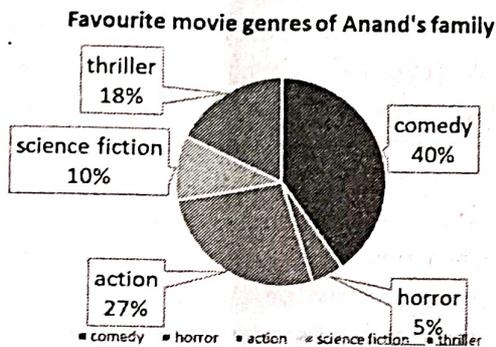**Q.No.(11–15): Read the following stanza carefully.**

I was still a thief when I met Anil. And though only 15, I was an experienced and fairly successful hand. Anil was watching a wrestling match when I approached him. He was about 25 — a tall, lean fellow — and he looked easy-going, kind and simple enough for my purpose. I hadn't had much luck of late and thought I might be able to get into the young man's confidence. "You look a bit of a wrestler yourself," I said. A little flattery helps in making friends. "So do you," he replied, which put me off for a moment because at that time I was rather thin. "Well," I said modestly, "I do wrestle a bit." "What's your name?" "Hari Singh," I lied. I took a new name every month. That kept me ahead of the police and my former employers.

(The Thief's Story)

Choose the appropriate answer from the options given:

5×1= 5M

11. Who is Anil?
  A) Thief   B) Master   C) Wrestler
12. How old was the thief?
  A) 25   B) 15   C) 13
13. What kind of person was Anil?
  A) Rude and simple
  B) generous and simple
  C) problematic and simple
14. What is the real purpose of the thief to meet Anil?
  A) to rob
  B) to make friends
  C) to learn to read and write
15. What is the name of the match mentioned in the paragraph?
  A) wrestling
  B) basketball
  C) football
16. Study the following Pie - chart.

Favourite movie genres of Anand's family

Now, answer the following questions.   5×1= 5M
(i) What is pie-the chart about?
(ii) What is the most favourite genre of Anand's family?
(iii) Anand's family is least interested in
  (a) Thrillers
  b) Horror movies
  c) Comedy moviesSole Parents
(iv) How many genres are mentioned in the pie-chart?
  a) Six
  b) Three
  c) Five
(v) Choose the correct statement based on the pie-chart.
  (a) The percentage of horror is more than that of science fiction.
  (b) The percentage of action movies is 40
  (c) The percentage of comedy movies is more than that of action movies.
17. Read the following passage carefully.

Long ago there lived a pride of lions with several cubs in a forest. One of the cubs was always curious to know about things. One day he saw a butterfly and started chasing it. The little cub ran and ran but was unable to catch the butterfly. He had become too tired to run. He also realized that he had lost his way. Before he knew anything, he had fallen asleep. When the lion cub woke up, he found himself in a strange company. He was surrounded by a flock of sheep and then there were several lambs too for him to play with. He seemed to like the new company and soon was accepted by the sheep.

Now, arrange the following jumbled sentences into a meaningful order.   5×1= 5M
a) The cub saw a butterfly and ran after it.
b) The cub became one of the sheep and played with them.
c) Many lions were living in a forest with their cubs.
d) One cub wanted to know about the things around him.
e) The cub had lost his way and found that he was surrounded by a flock of sheep.

SECTION - B :   GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY
Note : Answer all the questions of Section - B in the same order at one place in your answer book.
18. Combine the following sentences using 'who' 2M
  Lencho was an ox of a man. He was working like an animal in the fields.
19. Change the following sentence into 'passive voice'.2M
  My daughter Zenani accompanied me.
20. Change the following into Reported Speech.   2M
  LOMOV : " I'm getting a noise in my ears from excitement"
21. Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition given in brackets.   2×1= 2M
(i) A plague..............(a)locusts would have left more than this.   (of / off/ with)
(ii) Valli saved every penny .... (b.)six months to buy a bus ticket.   (for/in/on)
22. Edit the following passage.   4×1=4M
  Albert Einstein was borne on 14th March, 1879 in the town of Ulm at Germany. He was a slow learner. He did not speak until he was three years old. He is never considering a brilliant pupil in school.
23. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles.   2×1= 2M
  (i) He went to —- hospital to visit a friend.
  (ii) I saw —- movie last night.
24. Change the following into Repeated action in the past using 'would/used to' 2×1= 2M
  (i) On weekends, we had picnics at the park.
  (ii) In my previous job, I attended weekly team meetings.
25. Rewrite the sentences into a single sentence using Noun-modifiers.   2×1= 2M
  (i) The city has a rich history. It dates back to the ancient civilization.
  (ii) The dog is barking loudly. It belongs to my neighbor.
26. Give a suitable advice for the situation given below.   2×1= 2M
  Your friends eat fast foods every day. Advise them to eat healthy food.

27. Read the following paragraph and write the *synonyms* of the underlined words, choosing the words given in the box. 4×1= 4M

| *famous, refreshed, scenery, captivated, delighted, delicious, Magnificent* |

The tea gardens in Assam are <u>renowned</u> (a) for their beauty and the vast stretches of greenery. As we drove past them, I felt <u>rejuvenated</u> (b) by the fresh air and was completely <u>fascinated</u> (c) by the picturesque views. It was a <u>pleasing</u> (d) sight to witness.

28. Read the following paragraph and write the *antonyms* of the underlined words. 4×1= 4M

I felt <u>proud</u> (a) when I managed to keep my feelings hidden, but deep inside, I was <u>fearful</u> (b) of what might happen next. Life in hiding was supposed to be a <u>secure</u> (c) situation, but every sound filled us with <u>calm</u> (d) dread.

29. Fill in the blanks with the right form of words given in the brackets. 4×1= 4M

The most .... (a) (fascinating/ fascinated/ fascinate) thing of all the bus that................ (b) (travelling /travels/ travelled) between her village and nearest town.

30. Complete the words with correct Prefixes and Suffixes given in the brackets. 2×1= 2M

(i) Anne believed that every— (one/body) had a good heart.

(ii) The stormy weather was extremely danger— (ous/ ness) for flying.

31. Find the wrongly spelt word and write the correct spelling. 2×1= 2M

i) downpour, least, crest, feild

ii) locusts, destroyed, raindrops, peices

32. Read the following dictionary entry of the word given below. 2×1= 2M

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solitary /adjective/
sol·i·tary | \ 's&-l&-,ter-ē\
Definition of solitary
1: being, living, or existing alone; without companions
2: done or undertaken by a single person or thing
3: isolated or remote from others
4: not social or gregarious
Example Sentences
  • She enjoyed the solitary walk through the forest.
  • After the accident, he led a solitary life in a cabin in the mountains.
  • The prisoner was kept in solitary confinement for several weeks.
Synonyms - alone, lone, lonesome, unaccompanied, isolated
Antonyms - social, gregarious, accompanied, communal, crowded
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Now, answer the following questions using the information above.

a) Write the parts of speech of the word 'solitary'

b) What are the synonyms of the given entry.

33. Use the following expressions in sentences of your own. 2×1= 2M

(i) Phrasal verb: pass away

ii) idiomatic expression : The ball is in your court

34. Match the following 4×1/2= 2M

A		B
1. Sacred	( )	A) Religious texts or writings
2. Scriptures	( )	B) A formal or organized group moving together
3. Procession	( )	C) Relating to or about a specific topic
4. Concerning	( )	D) Holy or revered

SECTION - C   **CREATIVE EXPRESSION**

35. After a continuous hailstorm for an hour, the corn was totally destroyed. The hail has left nothing. Not a leaf remained on the trees. The flowers were gone from the plants. His soul was filled with sadness. When the storm passed, he returned home with a heavy heart and a single hope that God would help them.

Now write a possible conversation between Lencho and his wife. 10-Marks

OR

36. You have read the lesson 'From the Diary of Anne Frank'. Now that you have understood how Anne Frank was treated by her mathematics teacher, Keesing. How he gave assignments to her to stop her talking like a chatterbox. However, he could finally understand Anne Frank and supported her,

Now, you write a diary entry about any of your experiences with your school or with your school teachers.

37. Recently, the AP state witnessed severe floods in several districts due to the Montha cyclone.

Write a letter to your friend explaining how the floods caused unbelievable damage, property loss, and loss of crops. Also, outline the steps taken by the officials and voluntary organizations to rescue people. **10-Marks**
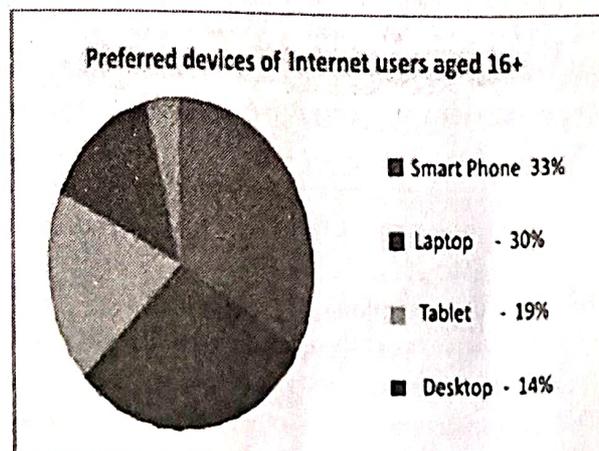
OR

38. In 'The Sermon at Benares', Kisa Gotami realised that death is common for all. That was possible only because of the Buddha's preachings. Imagine that Kisa Gotami listened to the Buddha's preachings. **Prepare a script for speech in this context. Include the Buddha's preachings**

39. In "The Thief's Story", Hari Singh steals 600 rupees from Anil and runs to the railway station, planning to escape. Describe Hari Singh's feelings at the station and why he decided not to board the train. **10M**

OR

40. Study the following and write a paragraph based on the Pie-chart

Preferred devices of Internet users aged 16+
- Smart Phone 33%
- Laptop - 30%
- Tablet - 19%
- Desktop - 14%

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SECTION-A   **(Reading Comprehension)**

Q.No.(1–5): Read the following passage carefully.

After half an hour the strange black aeroplane was still there in front of me in the clouds. Now, there was only enough fuel in the Dakota's last tank to fly for five or ten minutes more. I was starting to feel frightened again. But then he started to go down and I followed through the storm. Suddenly I came out of the clouds and saw two long straight lines of lights in front of me. It was a runway! An airport! I was safe! I turned to look for my friend in the black aeroplane, but the sky was empty. There was nothing there. The black aeroplane was gone. I could not see it anywhere. I landed and was not sorry to talk away from the old Dakota near the control tower. I went and asked a woman in the control centre where I was and who the other pilot was. I wanted to say 'Thank you'. She looked at me very strangely and then laughed.   *(The Black Aeroplane)*

Now, answer the following questions.   **5×2=10M**

1. Why did the narrator go to the control centre after landing?

2. The woman in the control centre looks at the narrator strangely. Why?

3. How long did the narrator travel with the help of the black aeroplane?

   A) Less than half an hour

   B) More than an hour

   C) More than two hours

4. How much fuel was there in the Dakota's last tank?

   A) Enough to reach England.

   B) Enough to fly five or ten minutes more

   C) The last tank was full of fuel.

5. **What did the narrator see suddenly?**

   A) His friend in the Black aeroplane

   B) Two long straight lines in front of him

   C) Dark clouds surrounding the flight.

(Questions 6 - 10)

Read the following stanza carefully.

> Belinda embraced him, Mustard licked him,
> No one mourned for his pirate victim.
> Ink and Blink in glee did gyrate
> around the dragon that ate the pirate.
> (The Tale of Custard the Dragon)

Choose the correct answers to the following questions   **5×1=5M**

6. What did Mustard do in response to Custard's victory?

7. How did Belinda and her pets feel about the pirate's demise?

8. **How did Belinda react to Custard's brave act?**

   A) Praised him

   B) Embraced him

   C) kissed him

9. **What did Ink and Blink do?**

   A) Turn round and round the dragon

   B) Clicked pictures with the dragon

   C) Presented the dragon with a cake

10. **Who was Mustard?**

    A) Belinda's pet dog

    B) Belinda's pet parrot

    C) Belinda's pet cat

Q.No.(11–15)

Read the following stanza carefully.

"Instead, you have spent a dull evening in a French music hall with a sloppy fat man who, instead of having messages slipped into his hand by dark-eyed beauties, gets only a prosaic telephone call making an appointment in his room. You have been bored!" The fat man chuckled to himself as he unlocked the door of his room and stood aside to let his frustrated guest enter. "You are

disillusioned" Ausable told him, "But take cheer, my young friend. Presently you will see a paper, a quite important paper for which several men and women have risked their lives, come to me. Some day soon that paper may well affect the course of history. If that thought is drama, is there not?" (The Midnight Visitor)

Choose the appropriate answer from the options given:
5 × 1 = 5M

11. Which of the best describes what Ausable is doing in the extract?

A) He is relating to Fowler and attempting to change his view.

B) He is justifying his appearance to Fowler as that of a real spy

C) He is shaming himself so that Fowler's disappointment is reduced.

12. 'If someone is disillusioned,' it means that they?

A) Have become angry at someone for having unrealistic ideas

B) Have disappointed someone with how they are in real life

C) Have created fantasies to make it easier to accept reality

13. Who has been bored?

A) Fowler

B) Ausable

C) Max

14. Why does Ausable refer to Fowler as 'my young friend'?

A) To make a sarcastic comment about Fowler's childishness

B) To remind Fowler that young people are usually cheerful

C) To highlight how native and innocent Fowler is

15. What did several men and women risk their lives for?

A) A quite important paper

B) A gun

C) Drugs in the wine

16. Study the following Table

| ELECTRIC CAR SALES RECORD 260% YoY INCREASE IN FIRST-HALF OF FY2023 | | | | | | | |
ELECTRIC CARMAKERS	Apr '22	May '22	June '22	July '22	Aug '22	Sep '22	Total
Tata Motors	1,812	2,495	2,724	2,891	2,765	2,831	15,518
Mg Motor India	245	247	235	268	316	280	1,591
Hyundai Motor India	23	27	51	61	73	74	309
BYD India	21	42	49	44	45	63	264
Mahindra & Mahindra	13	9	19	26	17	112	196
BMW India	17	9	5	5	25	27	88
Audi	8	8	14	8	14	10	62
Porsche	4	5	4	7	7	13	40
Mercedes-Benz	11	5	3	2	4	7	32
Jaguar Land Rover India	3	7			0	1	11
Others	4	1	7	17	1	1	31
Total	2,161	2,855	4,111	3,329	4,207	3,418	14,142

now, answer the following questions. 5 × 1 = 5M

(i) What is the table about?

(ii) How many cars were sold in six months?

(iii) How many individual brands were sold below 100 cars?

(a) Six brands
(b) five brands
(c) three brands

(iv) When did Jaguar Land Rover India NOT have any sales?

(a) In April and May
(b) in August and September
(c) in June, July and August

(v) Choose the correct statement based on the table.

(a) Mercedez Benz was the highest-selling car.
(b) Tata Motors recorded the highest sales.
(c) BMW India had no sales at all in six months.

17. Read the following passage carefully.

Brahmagupta is unique. He is the only scientist we have to thank for discovering the properties of precisely zero... Brahmagupta was an Ancient Indian astronomer and mathematician. He lived from 597 AD to 668 AD. He was born in the city of Bhinmal in Northwest India. Although Brahmagupta thought of himself as an astronomer who did some mathematics, he is now mainly remembered for his contributions to mathematics. Many of his important discoveries were written as poetry rather than as mathematical equations!

Now, arrange the following jumbled sentences into a meaningful order. 5 × 1 = 5M

A) His contributions in mathematics are remembered even today.

B) Brahmagupta is a unique scientist who discovered the properties of zero.

C) Much of his work was in the form of poetry but not as equations.

D) He was born in Bhinmal and lived between 597 AD and 668 AD.

E) He thought that he was an astronomer who knew some mathematics.

SECTION - B   **GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY**

Note : Answer all the questions of Section - B in the same order at one place in your answer book.

18. Combine the following sentences using 'who' 2M
The young seagull had siblings. They had already learnt to fly.

19. Change the following sentence into 'passive voice'. 2M
Mr Keesing is always making jokes these days.

20. Change the following into Reported Speech. **2M**
"What sort of a hunter are you?" Natalya asked

21. Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition given in brackets. **2×1=2M**
(i) Nelson Mandela was besieged .... a group of officers (by. With, in)
(ii) Lencho's soul was filled .... (with / of / about) sadness.

22. Edit the following passage. **4×1=4M**
Dear God! Thank you for **send** (a) a hundred pesos help. I am very thankful for this kind gesture. You were my only **hopeful** (b) and your help has **increase** (c) my faith in you. This money will help me until the crop **grow** (d).

23. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles. 2×1=2M
(i) He has been looking for ......job for the last seven years.
(ii) .... world is a beautiful place to live in.

24. Change the following into Repeated action in the past using 'would/used to' **2×1=2M**
(i) Mijbil played for hours with a selection of Toys.
(ii) I followed my brother everywhere When I was five years old

25. Rewrite the sentences into a single sentence using Noun-modifiers. **2×1=2M**
(i) Valli saw a cow running on the road. The cow was strong and young.
(ii) The pilot saw dark clouds. The clouds was stormy and dangerous.

26. Give a suitable advice for the situation given below. **2×1=2M**
Your brother is waking up till midnight. Advise him not to dot like that.

27. Read the following paragraph and write the *synonyms* **of the underlined words, choosing the words given in the box.** **4×1=4M**

suffering, patience, challenge, success, listless, confide

I have seen men standup to attacks and <u>torture</u> (a) without breaking, showing a strength the <u>resilience</u> (b) that <u>defies</u> (c) the imagination I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the <u>triumph</u> (d) over it

28. Read the following paragraph and write the *antonyms* **of the underlined words. 4×1= 4M**
The weather is **splendid** (a) now, but yesterday it was so **wet** (b) that the workmen didn't do anything all day. How much hay have you **stacked**? (c) Just think, I felt **greedy** (d)

29. Fill in the blanks with the right form of words given in the brackets. **4×1= 4M**
These people married amongst the locals and their culture is apparent in the martial ———— a) (traditionally, traditions, traditional) marriage and ——— b) (religious, religion, religiously) rites, which are distinct from the Hindu mainstream.

30. Complete the words with correct Prefixes and Suffixes given in the brackets. **2×1=2M**
(i) Nelson Mandela's determi— (nation/ing) to fight for justice never wavered.
(ii) The young seagull's brothers and sisters were success— (ful/fully) in flying)

31. Find the wrongly spelt word and write the correct spelling. **2×1=2M**
i) unique, theatrical, patience, refered.
ii) unfortunatly, plunge, emigrated, farewell

32. Read the following dictionary entry of the word given below. **2×1=2M**

derisively /adverb/
de·ri·sive·ly |\ di-'rī-siv-lē \
Definition of derisively
1: in a manner expressing contempt or ridicule
2: mockingly or scornfully, with the intent to belittle or demean
Example Sentences
• He laughed derisively at the suggestion that he might apologize.
• The critics spoke derisively about the new film, calling it a complete failure.
Synonyms - mockingly, scornfully, disdainfully, contemptuously, sneeringly
Antonyms - respectfully, courteously, kindly, approvingly

Now, answer the following questions using the information above.
a) Write the parts of speech of the word 'derisively'
b) What are the synonyms of the given entry.

33. Use the following expressions in sentences of your own. **2×1=2M**
(i) Phrasal verb : fill in
ii) idiomatic expression : costs an arm and a leg.

34. Match the following **4 × 1/2 = 2M**

A		B
1. Expression	( )	A) To be similar in appearance
2. Resemble	( )	B) A violent disturbance of the natural calamity
3. Storm	( )	C) Feeling or expressing sadness
4. Sorrowful	( )	D) The act of conveying thoughts or feelings through words, gestures, etc.

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SECTION-A　　　(Reading Comprehension)

Q.No.(1–5): Read the following passage carefully.

The baker usually collected his bills at the end of the month. Monthly accounts used to be recorded on some wall in pencil. Baking was indeed a profitable profession in the old days. The baker and his family never starved. He, his family and his servants always looked happy and prosperous. Their plump physique was an open testimony to this. Even today any person with a jackfruit-like physical appearance is easily compared to a baker.

(Glimpses of India)

Now, answer the following questions.　　　5×2=10M

1. What was indeed a profitable profession in the olden days?

2. Where did the baker use to record his monthly accounts?

3. The baker usually collected his bills
   A) in the middle of the month
   B) at the end of the month
   C) at the beginning of the month

14. What is the testimony of a happy and prosperous life?
   A) plump physique
   B) tall body
   C) happy smiles

5. Any person with a jack-fruit like physical appearance is easily compared to-
   A) a joker　B) a butcher　C) a baker

(Questions 6 - 10)

Belinda was as brave as a barrel full of bears
And Ink and Blink chased lions down the stairs,
Mustard was as brave as a tiger in a rage,
But Custard cried for a nice safe cage

(The tale of Custard the Dragon).

Choose the correct answers to the following questions
　　　5 × 1= 5 M

6. How brave was Belinda?

7. What is the name of the dragon?

8. What did Ink and Blink chase?
   A) Lions B) fox C) bear

9. Mustard's bravery was compared to that of a/an...
   A) tiger　　　B) fox　　C) bear

10. What did the dragon cry for?
   A) A huge rug B) A nice safe cage C) A double barreled gun

Q.No.(11–15)

Read the following stanza carefully.

Eeveryone thought that Horace Danby was a good, honest citizen. He was about fifty years old and unmarried, and he lived with a housekeeper who worried over his health. In fact, he was usually very well and happy except for attacks of hay fever in summer. He made locks and was successful enough at his business to have two helpers. Yes, Horace Danby was good and respectable — but not completely honest. Fifteen years ago, Horace had served his first and only sentence in a prison library. He loved rare, expensive books. So he robbed a safe every year. Each year he planned carefully just what he would do, stole enough to last for twelve months, and secretly bought the books he loved through an agent.
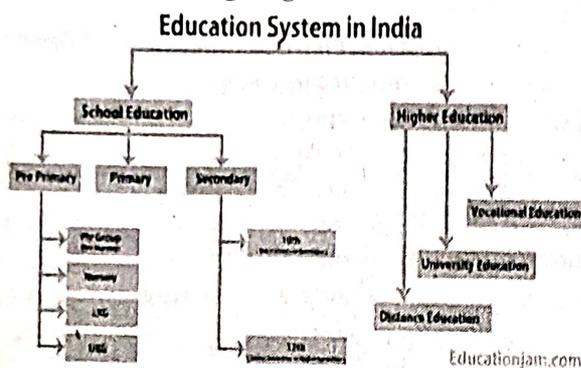
(A Question of Trust)

Choose the appropriate answer from the options given:
　　　5×1= 5M

11. What kind of a person was Horace Danby according to everyone?
   A) Rude and dishonest
   B) Unsuccessful and bad
   C) Good and honest

12. How old was Horace?
   A) Fifty years old
   B) Sixty years old
   C) Thirty years old

13. Who took care of him?
   A) His wife
   B) A housekeeper
   C) His parents

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14. How did he make his living?
    A) By robbing
    B) By farming
    C) By making locks
15. Where had Horace served his first and only sentence?
    A) In a school
    B) In a prison library
    C) In a hospital
16. Study the following diagram.

Education System in India

Educationjam.com

Now, answer the following questions.   5×1= 5M
   (i)   *What is the tree diagram about?*
   (ii) **How many main types of education are there?**
   (iii) *How many sub-divisions are there in school education?*
   (a) Four
   (b) Three
   (c) Two
   (iv) **Which of the following is NOT a part of higher education?**
   (a) Vocational Education
   (b) Play Group
   (c) Distance Education
   (v) **Choose the correct statement based on the Diagram**
   (a) Secondary education includes 10th and 12th classes.
   (b) Higher education has four sub-components..
   (c) LKG is a part of primary.

17. **Read the following passage carefully.**

    Once upon a time, there lived a rich merchant in a village, by the name of Jeevandhara. He was the owner of a big business. The village, in which he lived, was situated near a river. Once, due to heavy rains, the river was flooded. The whole village got submerged in neck-deep water. The crops, houses, and factories in the village were damaged and hundreds of people and cattle perished in the flood. Due to this flood, the merchant had to suffer heavy losses in the business. He decided to leave the village and try his luck in a new place. He planned to earn a lot of money and then come back to his native village to restart his business.

Now, arrange the following jumbled sentences into a meaningful order: 5×1 = 5M
   a) There were heavy rains and the village was flooded.
   b) He planned to earn a lot of money and come back.
   c) There lived a merchant who owned a business in the village of Jeevandhara.
   d) The village was submerged and a lot of people and cattle died.
   e) The merchant suffered huge losses and wanted to leave.

SECTION - B   GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY

Note : Answer all the questions of Section - B in the same order at one place in your answer book.

18. **Combine the following sentences using 'which'** 2M
Very large hailstones began to fall. They resemble new silver coins.

19. **Change the following sentence into 'passive voice'.**   2M
    The woman was preparing supper.

20. **Change the following into Reported Speech.**   2M
    Valli said to the conductor, "Give me a ticket to the town."

21. **Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition given in brackets.**   2×1= 2M
(i) Lencho is an ox .... man. (with, of, in)
(ii) Valli listened .... conversation between her mother and aunt. (to, at, from)

22. **Edit the following passage.**   4×1=4M
    I don't mean that some **peoples (a)** are born clear-headed and **is (b)** therefore natural writers, whereas others are naturally fuzzy and will never **wrote (c)** well. Thinking clearly **was (d)** a conscious act that writers must force on themselves.

23. **Fill in the blanks with suitable articles.**   2×1=2M
(i) She bought a book and —- apple from the store.
(ii) He went to —- hospital to visit a friend

24. **Change the following into repeated action in the past using 'would/used to'**   2×1=2M
(i) He lived in a small town with his family.
(ii) He practiced the piano for an hour each day.

25. **Rewrite the sentences into a single sentence using Noun-modifier.**   2×1=2M
(i) I tried a dish. It was spicy and full of flavor.
(ii) She bought a car. The car is luxurious and blue.

26. **Give a suitable advise for the situation given below.**   2×1=2M

    The Montha cyclone destroyed the villages in Andhra Pradesh. Advise your classmates to donate some money to help the people.

27. **Read the following paragraph and write the synonyms of the underlined words, choosing the words given in the box.**   4×1=4M

unknown, cheerful, sad, difficult, simpler, go after

He turned his aeroplane slowly to the north, in front of my Dakota, so that it would be **easier** for me to **follow** him. I was very **happy** to go behind the **strange** aeroplane like an obedient child

28. Read the following paragraph and write the antonyms of the underlined words.   4×1=4M

The following Sunday Lencho came a bit **earlier (a)** than **usual (b)** to ask if there was a letter for him. It was the postman himself who handed the letter to him while the postmaster, experiencing the **contentment (c)** of a man who has performed a **good (d)** deed, looked on from his office.

29. Fill in the blanks with the right form of words given in the brackets.   4×1=4M

Coorgi homes have a tradition of hospitality, and they are more than ————a) (willing, willingly, willingness) to recount ————— b) (numerously, numerous, numerousness) tales of valour related to their sons and fathers.

30. Complete the words with correct Prefixes and Suffixes given in the brackets.   2×1=2M

(i) Mandela believed in equal— (ity/ness) for all people, regardless of race or background.

(ii) The mystery surrounding the black aeroplane remained unexplain— (able/ing)

31. Find the wrongly spelt word and write the correct spelling.   2×1=2M

i) dedication, predjudice, struggle, freedom

ii) confidence, appearance, humilation, education

32. Read the following dictionary entry of the word given below.   2×1=2M

incorrigible /adjective/
in·cor·ri·gi·ble \in-ˈkȯr-ə-jə-bəl\
Definition of incorrigible
1: incapable of being corrected, improved, or reformed; not manageable or curable.
2: firmly rooted in bad habits or behavior; hopelessly delinquent
Example Sentences
- Despite numerous warnings, he remained an incorrigible prankster.
- The teacher gave up on trying to discipline the incorrigible student.
Synonyms - irreformable, incurable, hopeless, intractable, unchangeable
Antonyms - reformable, redeemable, correctable, manageable, obedient

Now, answer the following questions using the information above.

a) Write the parts of speech of the word 'incorrigible'

b) What are the synonyms of the given entry.

33. Use the following expressions in sentences of your own.   2×1=2M

(i) Phrasal verb : break down

ii) Idiomatic expression : Heartfelt

34. Match the following   4×½= 2M

A		B
1. Get on	( )	a) Contact or communicate with someone
2. Run away	( )	b) Deplete the supply of something
3. Run out of	( )	c) Escape or leave quickly
4. Reach out to	( )	d) Progress or have a good relationship

SECTION - C   CREATIVE EXPRESSION

35. In the 'Black Aeroplane' the narrator went to the control centre, immediately after landing at the airport to enquire about the pilot and the black Aeroplane.   10 M

Now, write a possible conversation between the narrator and the woman in the Control Centre.

OR

36. In the lesson "Mijbil the Otter", Maxwell had a terrible experience with Mijbil in the aircraft he was pleased to get the support of the air hostess in that embarrassing situation. He had to keep a watch on the Otter which became highly intolerable.

Imagine yourself as Maxwell and write a diary entry about the incident in the aircraft.

37. There are frequent reports of stray dogs and monkeys moving on roads and colonies. The dogs have become a nuisance to the public. The dogs are moving in large groups. They are causing fear among the public. Herds of monkeys are another problem. The monkeys even enter the houses and carry away valuable things and foodstuff. It is causing tremors of fear among the residents.   10M

Write a letter to the district collector about this. Request him/her to prevent this problem and create a sense of security among people.
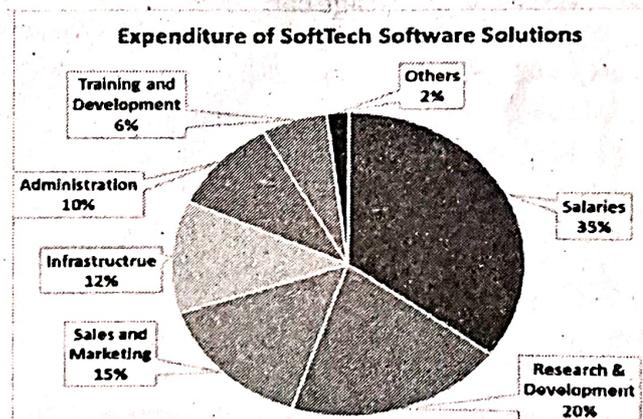
(OR)

38. You are the secretary of Srujana Society. Your society was once a name for cleanliness is now facing complaints of unhygenic conditions.

Write a speech persuading the members to maintain Cleanliness in the society.

39. Horace Danby collects rare books, and finances his hobby by breaking safes. However, he is caught by a pretty young lady in red claiming to be the wife of the house owner. She tricks him into opening the safe and handing her the jewels. Horace is later arrested for the jewel robbery. Describe how the lady in red outmaneuvered and outwitted Horace Danby.   10M

OR

40. Study the following and write a paragraph based on the pie -Chart

Expenditure of SoftTech Software Solutions

Training and Development 6%
Others 2%
Administration 10%
Infrastructrue 12%
Sales and Marketing 15%
Salaries 35%
Research & Development 20%

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(13E & 14E)

THIRD LANGUAGE - ENGLISH

Time : 3 Hrs 15 Min.   **MODEL PAPER - IV**   Max.Marks : 100

Instructions:

1. This question paper has 40 questions in three Sections (A, B, and C)

2. Answer all the questions on a separate answer book supplied to you.

3. 15 minutes of time is allotted exclusively for reading the question paper and 3 hours for writing the answers.

4. Answer all the questions of Section –B (Grammar and Vocabulary) in the same order at one place in your answer book.

SECTION-A   (Reading Comprehension)

Q.No.(1–5): Read the following passage carefully.

"No, no one will be looking for me," she said. The bus started, and again there were the same wonderful sights. Valli wasn't bored in the slightest and greeted everything with the same excitement she'd felt the first time. But suddenly she saw a young cow lying dead by the roadside, just where it had been struck by some fast-moving vehicle. "Isn't that the same cow that ran in front of the bus on our trip to town?" she asked the conductor. The conductor nodded, and she was overcome with sadness. What had been a lovable, beautiful creature just a little while ago had now suddenly lost its charm and its life and looked so horrible, so frightening as it lay there, legs spread-eagled, a fixed stare in its lifeless eyes, blood all over... The bus moved on.

(Madam Rides the Bus)

Now, answer the following questions.   5×2=10M

1. What does Valli see by the roadside?

2. What does Valli ask the conductor about the cow?

3. How does Valli feel when she sees the dead cow?
   A) Disgusted
   B) Nonchalant
   C) Sorrowful

4. Valli's excitement continued initially when the bus started to return because
   A) she made a lot of friends.
   B) there were the same wonderful sights
   C) the conductor became her friend

5. Which of the following is used to describe the dead cow?
   A) A fixed stare in its lifeless eyes
   B) A lovable beautiful creature
   C) Struck by a fast-moving vehicle

(Questions 6 - 10) : Read the following stanza carefully.

If ever you should go by chance
To jungles in the east;
And if there should to you advance
A hrage and tawny beast,
If he roars at you as you're dyin'
You'll know it is the Asian Lion....

(How to Tell Wild Animals)

Choose the correct answers to the following questions
                                        5 × 1 = 5 M

6. What does the lion's roar indicate?

7. Pick two words from the stanza that imply danger?

8. East refers to....?
   (A) Japan
   (B) Asia
   (C) Indonesia

9. Tawny means.......?
   (A) brownish orange
   (B) heavy
   (C) terrifying

10. Which of the following sounds does the lion make?
    (A) Roar
    (B) Mew
    (C) Howl

(Question 11 - 15) : Read the following passage carefully.

She remembered how a few days ago their old cow, Lakshmi, had been turned out of the house and sold. "N-n-n NO, no-no-no," she shouted in terror and pulled her hand away from her father's grip. "What's the matter with you, you fool?" shouted Ramlal. "I am only taking you to school." Then he told his wife, "Let her wear some decent clothes today, or else what will the teachers and the other schoolgirls think of us when they see her?" New clothes had never been made for Bholi. The old dresses of her sisters were passed on to her.
(Bholi)

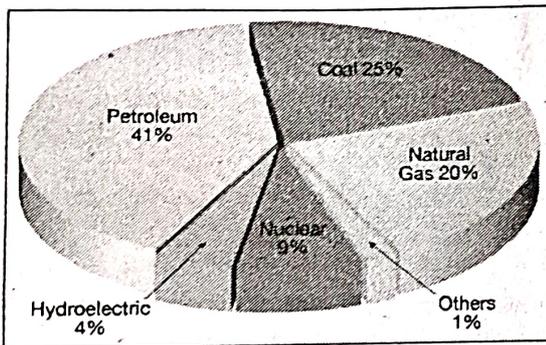Choose the appropriate answer from the options given:
                                        5×1= 5M

11. What happened to Lakshmi?
    A) The cow was beaten to death
    B) The cow was sold
    C) The cow was sent to a slaughter house

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12. What did Ramlal tell his wife about Bholi's dress?

A) She should be given a decent dress

B) She should be given a shirt and a short

C) She should be given the school uniform

13. What was Bholi's reaction when her father tried to take her to school?

A) She shouted in terror and pulled her hand away

B) She happily went along

C) She ran away from home

14. What did Ramlal want Bholi to wear to school?

A) Her old clothes

B) A new school uniform

C) Some decent clothes

15. How were Bholi's clothes usually chosen?

A) She always got new clothes

B) She wore the old dresses of her sisters

C) She chose her own clothes,

16. Study the following bar diagram

Pie chart showing the major sources of energy for our requirements in India.

Now, answer the following questions. 5×1= 5M

i) **What does the pie chart represent?**

ii) **How many types of energy sources are considered in the chart?**

iii) **Which energy source is used the most in India?**

A) Coal

B) Petroleum

C) Nuclear

iv) **What percentage of energy comes from natural gas?**

A) 25%

B) 9%

C) 20%

v) **Choose the correct statement.**

A) Hydroelectric contributes 9% of the energy..

B) Coal accounts for 25% of the energy.

C) Nuclear energy accounts for 49% of the energy..

17. Read the following passage carefully.

Swami Vivekananda was born on January 12, 1863, in Kolkata, India. He was a key figure in introducing Indian philosophies of Vedanta and Yoga to the Western world. At the Parliament of the World's Religions in Chicago in 1893, his speech gained him widespread recognition. He founded the Ramakrishna Mission in 1897 to promote social service and spiritual teachings.

Swami Vivekananda passed away on July 4, 1902, but his teachings continue to inspire millions worldwide.

Now, arrange the following jumbled sentences into a meaningful order.   5×1= 5M

a) He introduced Indian philosophies of Vedanta and Yoga to the West.

b) Swami Vivekananda was born in Kolkata, India, in 1863.

c) He founded the Ramakrishna Mission in 1897.

d) He passed away in 1902..

e) His famous speech at the Parliament of the World's Religions in Chicago gained him recognition.

SECTION - B   GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY

Note : Answer all the questions of Section - B in the same order at one place in your answer book.

18. Combine the following sentences using 'whose'   2M

Lencho prayed to God. His eyes see into our minds.

19. Change the following sentence into 'passive voice'.   2M

The mother seagull encouraged her chick to fly.

20. Change the following into Reported Speech.   2M

The guide said, "The best time to visit Coorg is during the monsoon."

21.   Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition given in brackets.   2×1= 2M

(i) She lives --a small village. (in / on / from)

ii) The cat is hiding - the table. (across / in / under)

22. Edit the following passage.   4×1= 4M

-If I was asked under **what** (a)sky the human mind has most fully developed **some**(b) for its choicest gifts, has most deeply pondered **on (c)** the greatest problems of life and has **find** (d)solutions of some of them.

23.Fill in the blanks with suitable articles.   2×1 = 2M

(i) I need —- umbrella because it's raining

(ii) —- Eiffel Tower is in Paris.

24.   Change the following into Repeated action in the past using 'would/used to'   2 × 1 = 2M

(i) During vacations, we travelled to the mountains every year.

(ii) As a child, he played cricket with his friends every evening.

25.   Rewrite the sentences into a single sentence using Noun-modifiers.   2 × 1 = 2M

(i) He bought a car. It is a sleek one with a powerful engine.

(ii) I met a man. He was tall and had a friendly smile.

26.   Give a suitable advise for the situation given below.   2 × 1 = 2M

Your friend is making many spelling mistakes in his / her writing. Advise him / her to practise spellings.

27. Read the following paragraph and write the *synonyms* of the underlined words, choosing the words given in the box. 4 × 1 = 4M

scene, gaps, quickly took off, drizzled, whimper, exhaust

When I returned, there was an appalling **spectacle**. (a) There was complete silence from the box, but from its airholes and **chinks**(b) around the lid, blood had **trickled**(c) and dried. I **whipped off** (d) the lock and tore open the lid.

28. Read the following paragraph and write the *antonyms* of the underlined words. 4×1= 4M

The **fiercely** (a) independent people of Coorg are **possibly** (b) of Greek of Arabic **descent** (c) As one story goes, a part of Alexander's army moved south along the coast and settled here when return became **impractical** (d)

29. Fill in the blanks with the right form of words given in the brackets. 4×1=4M

Valli was a _____(a) (curiosity, curious, curiously) girl who was _____(b) (determine, determined, determination) to ride the bus all by herself.

30. Complete the words with correct Prefixes and Suffixes given in the brackets. 2×1= 2M

(i) The loaves would be ....delivered (un/in) to the servant.

(ii) Don't wash your mouth __properly (im/in)

31. Find the wrongly spelt word and write the correct spelling. 2×1 = 2M

i) astonishment, restless, indescribile, curious.

ii) amazement, adventure, mischeivous, curiosity.

32. Read the following dictionary entry of the word given below. 2×1 = 2M

apartheid /noun/

apart·heid | \ə-'pär-ˌtāt, -ˌtīt\

Definition of apartheid

1: a policy or system of segregation or discrimination on grounds of race, especially in South Africa between 1948 and 1994.

2: separation or segregation in any context, particularly involving political, economic, or social inequality.

Synonyms - segregation, discrimination, racialism, separation, partition

Antonyms - integration, equality, inclusion, unification

Now, answer the following questions using the information above.

a) How many syllables are there in word 'apartheid'

b) What are the synonyms of the given entry.

33. Use the following expressions in sentences of your own. 2×1= 2M

(i) Phrasal verb : Give up

ii) idiomatic expression : Take the bull by the horns

34. Match the following 4×½=2M

A		B
1. give in	( )	A) stop trying or quit
2. give up	( )	B) surrender to pressure
3. put in	( )	C) insert or contribute effort
4. put away	( )	D) store or tidy up

SECTION - C   CREATIVE EXPRESSION

35. In the lesson 'Madam Rides the Bus', the village girl Valli gets on a bus. The conductor is a jovial person. Valli travels on the bus. Both of them talk to each other occasionally.

Now write a possible conversation between Valli and the conductor in this context. 10 M

OR

36. In the lesson 'Black Aeroplane' the narrator flew his Dakota and reached England safely through the huge black storm clouds. The pilot of the black aeroplane guided him. After landing at the airport, he enquired the woman in the Control Centre about the pilot. But the woman said that there was no other pilot and no other aeroplane flown that night. The narrator was surprised.

Imagine you are in the place of the narrator and write a diary entry about the day's experience.

37. Now a days farmers are using the pesticides and chemicals to get high yeildings of thier crops. This practice may cause many health issues. In this context organic farming is neccessary to the peoples' health and causing damage to eco-system.

Write a letter to the the editor of the local news paper to promote organic farmaing for healthier future. 10M
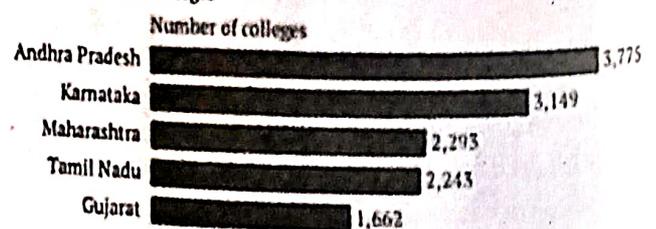
OR

38. You have been selected to deliver a speech on Teachers' Day at your school. Write a speech on Teachers' Day expressing your gratitude to the teachers, highlighting their role in shaping students' lives, and also mention why Teachers' Day is celebrated.

39. In the story "The Midnight Visitor", Max, a rival spy, surprises Ausable by entering his hotel room with a pistol to steal secret papers. Imagine you were Ausable when Max suddenly entered your room. How did you feel, and how did you decide to trick Max using the story of a balcony? 10 M

OR

40. Study the following bar graph and write a paragraph based on it.

States with most colleges

Number of colleges

Andhra Pradesh	3,775
Karnataka	3,149
Maharashtra	2,293
Tamil Nadu	2,243
Gujarat	1,662

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Data: Ministry of Human Resource Development