

MODEL QUESTION

SET -IV

Secondary

English

Full Marks : 90

(Class Xth

Section – A

(Reading) Marks : 24

I. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

The water of the river Yamuna in Delhi has become useless. The water of this river is polluted and has received E grade in terms of quality. This is the lowest grade which indicates the severity of pollution in the water. Some fifty years ago the water of Yamuna was clear and clean. Many water plants such as weeds, algae and shrubs grew in water or along the banks of the river. These plants were the main source of food for aquatic creatures. A number of water birds could be seen along the river. With the onset of winter thousands of migratory birds would come here to feed in the Yamuna water. Sadly these water species and birds have vanished or died. What one finds now are red worms, called chironomids which live in the most unhygienic and polluted water.

Questions :

1. Thousands of migratory birds would come to the river Yamuna- 1
a) to play b) to feed c) to swim d) None of these
2. Which grade has the water of Yamuna received in terms of quality? 2
3. How was the water of Yamuna some fifty years ago? 2
4. Name some water plants which grew in its water? 2

Complete the following :

5. The water of the river Yamuna in Delhi has 1
6. This is the lowest which indicates the severity of pollution in water. 1
7. These plants were the main source of food for 1
8. The red worms are called 1

II. Read the Passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

Swami Vivekananda once speaking in America told about a young man who came to a religious conference and said that he wanted to find God. The sage smiled and said nothing. The young man returned time after time. Ever repeating his desire, his longing to find God. After many days the sage told him to accompany him as he went to the river to take his morning bath and when both were in the river, the sage took hold of the young man and plunged him under the surface of the water and held him there. The young man struggled to shake off his hold. Finally he raised him out of water and asked him, "My son, what did you long for most when under water ?" A breath of air, gasped the youth. Thus should a disciple long after God if he would find Him. If you have this longing after God, verify, He should be found by you." Said the sage.

Questions :

9. The young man wanted to find - 1
a) Sage b) God c) Disciple d) None of them

Complete the following :

10. Swami Vivekananda once speaking in told about a young man. 1
11. The sage told him to him as he went to the river. 1
12. The young man struggled to 1
13. Thus should a disciple long after 1
14. Who narrated the story of the sage and the young man and to whom? 2
15. What did the young man long for most while under water? 2
16. Find the phrases in the passage which mean the same as : 2
- a) get rid of b) to join
17. Make sentence with the following words. 2
- a) Desire b) Struggle

Section – B

Writing & Grammar Marks : 34

18. Write a letter to the Director General of police complaining about the rising rate of crime and the indifferent attitude of police in the city. (In about 150 words) 5

OR

Write a letter to the District Magistrate drawing his attention to the nuisance of loud speakers in your locality.

19. Write a paragraph on any one of the topics given below in about 150 words. 5
- a) Your aim in life b) Discipline c) The person you like most

III. Choose the correct option and answer the following questions :

20. Inverted commas (“ ”) are used in 1
- a) Direct speech b) Indirect speech
c) Both (a) and (b) d) None of these
21. Comparative degree of ‘June is the hottest month’ is 1
- a) June is hotter. b) No other month is hotter than June.
c) June is hot than all other months. d) None of these
22. Passive voice of ‘She is washing the clothes’ is 1
- a) The clothes are being washed by her b) The clothes is being washed by her.
c) The clothes are washed by her d) None of these
23. Indirect speech of He said to me, “How are you”? is 1
- a) He said to me how are you b) He said to me how I was.
c) He asked me how I was. d) None of these
24. Change into complex sentence ‘We saw a blue eyed girl.’ 1
- a) We saw a blue eyes girl. b) We saw a girl whose eyes were blue
c) We saw a girl of blue eyes d) None of these
25. ‘He is a good boy’ is in degree 1
- a) Positive b) Comparative
c) Superlative d) None of these

26. Remove 'too' in the sentence 'I too was present there'. 1
- a) I was present there b) I was present there too
 c) I was also present there d) None of these
27. Raj will be writing a letter is in tense. 1
- a) Simple future b) Future continuous
 c) Future perfect d) None of these
28. tense is used to show an action which is happening at the time of speaking. 1
29. The comparative degree of 'healthy' is 1
30. Fill in the blanks with the suitable modals given in brackets: 1×4= 4
 (can, must, could, may)
- a) Parents look after their children.
 b) God have mercy on you.
 c) He swim across the river.
 d) He said that he do the work.
31. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of verbs given in brackets: 1×4= 4
- a) She a letter to her father last evening. (write)
 b) My mother the food when I reached home, (cook)
 c) The match had begun before I the playground. (reach)
 d) Columbus America. (discover)
32. **Transform the following sentences as directed in the brackets :** 1×4= 4
- a) My uncle is too old to work. (Remove 'too')
 b) Can there be smoke without fire? (Into assertive sentence)
 c) He said, " I saw the movie." (Into indirect speech)
 d) My mother cooks food. (Into passive voice)
33. Change the following nouns into adjectives. 2
- a) Beauty b) Health

Section – C

Literature Text Book Marks : 32

(a)PROSE

34. **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :** 1×4= 4

The young seagull was alone on his ledge. His two brothers and his sister had already flown away the day before. He had been afraid to fly with them. Somehow when he had taken a little run forward to the brink of the ledge and attempted to flap his wings he became afraid. The great expanse of sea stretched down beneath, and it was such a long way down-miles down. He felt certain that his wings would never support him; so he bent his head and ran away back to the little hole under the ledge where he slept at night.

Questions :

- a) Who was alone on his ledge?

- b) Who had flown away the day before?
 c) Why was he afraid to fly?
 d) Find a word from the passage which means 'tried'.
35. The collected 70 pesos for Lencho. 1
 a) Postman b) Postmaster c) Manager d) None of these
36. The baker from Goa was called - 1
 a) Pader b) Daper c) Radar d) None of these
37. Nelson Mandela's autobiography is 1
 a) Longing for freedom b) Long walking for freedom
 c) Long walk to freedom d) None of these
38. Tea was first drunk in 1
 a) Japan b) China c) India d) None of these
39. Answer the following question. 5
 How is Coorg a place worth visiting?

OR

What was Valli's strongest desire? What did she do to fulfil it?

(b) POETRY

40. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : **1×4= 4**
 The way a crow
 Shook down on me
 The dust of snow
 From a hemlock tree
 a) Name the poem from where this extract has been taken.
 b) Who has written these lines?
 c) Who shook down the dust of snow?
 d) Where was the dust of snow?
41. The poem was written by Robin Klein. 1
 a) Fire and Ice b) Amanda c) Animals d) None of these
42. Some people say that the world will end in 1
 a) Fire b) Ice c) Both a) and b) d) None of these
43. Who wrote the poem 'Animals'? 1
 a) Adrienne Rich b) John Berryman
 c) Leslie Norris d) Walt Whitman
44. Answer the following question. 2
 What does the poet compare the branches of the trees to?

OR

What does Amanda yearn for ? What does the poem tell you about Amanda.

(C) SUPPLEMENTARY

45. Mrs. Pumphrey had a dog named 1
a) Tricky b) Rocky c) Silky d) None of these
46. Bishamber demanded rupees as dowry 1
a) Six thousand b) Five thousand c) Three thousand d) Two thousand
47. was a beautiful lady. 1
a) Amanda b) Pumphrey c) Bholi d) Matilda
48. Why do Bholi's parents accept Bishamber's marriage proposal? 2
49. Give a character Sketch of Matilda. 5

OR

How would you assess Griffin as a scientist ?