

JHARKHAND COUNCIL OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING, RANCHI

FIRST TERM EXAM

2021-2022

CLASS XII

ENGLISH CORE

MODEL QUESTION PAPER

Time: 1 Hrs 30 Min

SET 5

INSTRUCTIONS:

Total number of questions is 40.

Each question carries 1 mark.

Four options are given.

Students are expected to select the most appropriate answer.

All questions are compulsory.

Read the following passage and answer the questions that from 1-7.

A poor farmer lived with his wife and son in a small village. One day, exhausted by the heat, he lay down under the shadow of a tree to take nap. All of a sudden, he saw a giant cobra crawling out of an ant hill. The farmer thought to himself, "Surely this snake must be deity guarding my field. So far, I have not noticed that is why all my farming is in vain. Let me pay respect to it now and worship it hereafter."

He then made up his mind, brought some milk in a bowl and placed it before the ant hill. He said aloud' "O lord guardian of my field! I did not know you dwell here. Please forgive me for not paying respects to you."

He left the milk bowl there and went back to his house. The next morning, he was surprised to see a gold coin in the bowl. Soon the farmer became rich and happy.

One day the farmer had to go to a nearby city for a few days and so he directed his son to place the milk bowl near the ant hill every day. The son kept the milk bowl and left, only to find a gold coin the next day. He then thought to himself, "This ant hill must be full of gold coins: I 'll kill the serpent and take all of them."

The next day, while placing the bowl of milk, the farmer's son struck the snake with a club. But the serpent escaped and bit him with sharp fangs instead. He was dead at once. When the farmer returned, he learnt about his son's fate and grieved. The next morning, he took the bowl of milk and went to the ant hill.

The snake came out and said, "Your greed made you overlook even the loss of your son. Your son struck me in ignorance and I had bitten him to death. I cannot forget the blow on my head and you cannot forget the loss of your son. Hereafter, the friendship between us is not possible." The snake gave a costly coin and disappeared. The farmer returned home cursing the foolishness of his son.

1. Where did the farmer lay to take a nap?
 - a. In a hut
 - b. Under a tree
 - c. In an ant hill
 - d. In a car
2. What did the farmer do to worship the cobra?
 - a. Built a temple
 - b. Performed a puja
 - c. Put a bowl of milk
 - d. Erected an idol of the cobra
3. What did the cobra give in return of the milk?
 - a. A gold coin
 - b. A gold ring
 - c. A silver coin
 - d. A gold axe
4. What did the farmer's son think on seeing the gold coin?

- a. Someone else must be keeping the coin
 - b. The ant hill must be full of gold
 - c. The ant hill contains a gold box
 - d. The cobra is friendly
5. What did the son do to get all the gold?
- a. He requested the cobra to get all the gold.
 - b. He stole all the gold from the ant hill
 - c. He tried to kill the cobra
 - d. None of these
6. The word 'nap' in paragraph 1 means-
- a. Play
 - b. Sit
 - c. Short Sleep
 - d. God
7. The word 'exhausted' in paragraph 1 is an antonym of ____
- a. Started
 - b. Finished
 - c. Energetic
 - d. Performed

Read the given passage and answer the questions from 8-12.

Life on our planet earth began with the sea; it is the birth place of life on the earth. Earth is the only planet of our solar system so far known which contains plenty of water, which has made our earth colourful, pulsating with life of a vast variety.

At present sea occupies about 70% of the earth's surface. In the southern hemisphere it occupies more area than that in the northern. About 97% of the total water on the surface of the earth is found in the seas and the remaining 3%, which is generally fresh in lakes, rivers, ponds etc.

Sea has given food and shelter to countless creatures. It is a potential source of protein. In 1900 the world was only 150 crores, now it is

more than 560 crore and is increasing at a very fast rate. As a result, there is a terrible hunger in many parts of the world. In Africa, Asia and South America, millions of people do not get enough to eat. Many die of malnutrition. Sea, if used scientifically and judiciously can meet most of our demands.

8. Choose the correct option.
 - a. Sky is the birthplace of life on the earth
 - b. Moon is the birthplace of life on earth
 - c. Sea is the birthplace of life on earth
 - d. Land is the birthplace of life on earth
9. At present sea occupies about _____ on the surface of the earth.
 - a. 3%
 - b. 70%
 - c. 97%
 - d. 100%
10. Which is the only planet that contains water?
 - a. Mars
 - b. Jupiter
 - c. Earth
 - d. Venus
11. Antonym of the word 'plenty' is-
 - a. Abundant
 - b. Adequate
 - c. Numerous
 - d. Scarce
12. Choose the appropriate title for the given passage.
 - a. The Sea Life
 - b. Southern hemisphere
 - c. Shelter
 - d. Lakes and river
13. In Note-Making, we should avoid-

- a. Key words
 - b. Title
 - c. Long sentences
 - d. Abbreviations
14. A Summary should contain-
- a. Glossary
 - b. Key words
 - c. Abbreviations
 - d. Date
15. Which of the following is the most suitable salutation for 'Letters to Editors'?
- a. Most Respected Sir/Madam
 - b. Mr. Editor/Mrs. Editor
 - c. Loving sir/ loving Madam
 - d. Sir /Madam
16. Letters to Editor, generally starts with-
- a. Subject
 - b. Sender' address
 - c. Date
 - d. Receiver's address
17. A notice is a formal means of –
- a. Transportation
 - b. Entertainment
 - c. News
 - d. Communication
18. What is necessary for writing a 'Report'?
- a. Conclusion
 - b. Introduction
 - c. Title /Heading
 - d. Subject
19. What is written at the beginning of an article?
- a. Address
 - b. Title

- c. Subject
 - d. Date
20. What is the setting of 'The Last Lesson'?
- a. The Franco-Prussian War
 - b. The Indo-China War
 - c. The Indo-Pak War
 - d. None of these
21. Which country did Franz belong to?
- a. Spain
 - b. Germany
 - c. France
 - d. Prussia
22. 'Is your school Ready?' who asked this question?
- a. Saheb's mother
 - b. Saheb's friend
 - c. Mukesh
 - d. Saheb
23. The ragpickers have no identity, but they have –
- a. Permits
 - b. Passports
 - c. Ration cards
 - d. Pan cards
24. Who insists on being his own master?
- a. Saheb
 - b. Mukesh
 - c. Savita
 - d. Narrator
25. What makes the city of Firozabad famous?
- a. Toys
 - b. Glass Bangles
 - c. Paintings
 - d. Ceramic
26. 'Deep Water' is an excerpt taken from-

- a. The Life of Mahatma Gandhi
 - b. Of Men and Mountains
 - c. Lost Spring, Stories from Stolen Childhood
 - d. My Years with Boss
27. What is Bumping?
- a. a river
 - b. a mountain
 - c. a lake
 - d. a valley

Read the given extract and the question from 29 to 31.

Driving from my parent's

Home to Cochin last Friday

Morning, I saw my mother,

Beside me

Doze, open mouthed, her face ashen like that

Of a corpse and realised with pain

28. The given extract is taken from-
- a. Keeping Quiet
 - b. My Mother at Sixty-six
 - c. A Thing of Beauty
 - d. A Roadside Stand
29. Where was the poet driving to?
- a. Parent's home
 - b. Cochin airport
 - c. Cochin market
 - d. Cinema hall
30. Who was sitting beside the poet?
- a. Her daughter
 - b. Her mother
 - c. Her sister

- d. Her friend
- 31. Who is the poet of the poem, 'An Elementary School Classroom in a Slum'?
 - a. John Keats
 - b. Stephen Spender
 - c. Pablo Neruda
 - d. Robert Frost
- 32. Where are the children of 'An Elementary School Classroom in a Slum' sitting?
 - a. In the playground
 - b. In the Classroom of an elementary school
 - c. In the Cinema Hall
 - d. In the school verandah
- 33. The poet, Pablo Neruda asks us to count to-
 - a. Three
 - b. Four
 - c. Ten
 - d. Twelve
- 34. What type of wars does the poet talk about?
 - a. Green wars
 - b. Wars with gas
 - c. Wars with fire
 - d. All of these
- 35. "Let tigers beware!" Who said this?
 - a. Astrologers
 - b. Palmist
 - c. The Prince Jung Jung Bahadur
 - d. The dewan
- 36. What was banned by the King in the state of Pratibandapuram?
 - a. Elephant hunting
 - b. Tiger hunting
 - c. Lion hunting

- d. Boar hunting
37. For how many years ago did Gondwana exist?
- a. 650 million years
 - b. 500 million years
 - c. 600 million years
 - d. 700 million years
38. What is the 'Akademik Shokalskiy'?
- a. An Indian Research vessel
 - b. A Russian Research vessel
 - c. A Chinese Research vessel
 - d. An American Research vessel
39. Where was Dr. Sadao's house?
- a. On the Japanese coast
 - b. On the American coast
 - c. On the Chinese coast
 - d. On the Indian coast
40. The wounded soldier of the story 'The Enemy' belonged to?
- a. The Russian army
 - b. The British army
 - c. The Japanese army
 - d. U.S. Navy