

Eng. Medium
10th GSEB
Batch :

MAHESH TUTORIALS
SUBJECT : English
Prose - 1 to 8 Poem - 1 to 6, SR - 1, 2
Grammar and Writing Skills
Question Paper

Test -
Date:
Time: 3 Hrs
Marks : 100

PART - A

Instructions : [1] All **1 to 50** objective questions are compulsory. (Write your answer in the OMR Answer Sheet given separately.)
[2] All objective questions carry equal marks. Each of **1 mark**.
[3] A O, B O, C O, D O are given for each questions in the given separate OMR Answer Sheet. You have to dark compulsory ● the circle(O) with pen to the correct answer from the given alternatives.

1. **What is a new arrival did the author find that year?**
(A) scorpion (B) snakes (C) minivets (D) cobras
2. **Which two reactions were simultaneously experienced by Ballard on searching the wrecks of The Titanic?**
(A) surprise and sadness (B) joy and sadness
(C) happiness and thrilling (D) felling stunned and dumb
3. **The present plan is too expensive to undertake. (Remove 'too')**
(A) The present plan is so expensive that we cannot undertake It.
(B) The present plan is so expensive that we could not undertake It.
(C) The present plan is so expensive that we can undertake it.
(D) The present plan is so expensive that we could undertake it.
4. **The Idiom 'button up' means _____.**
(A) to close tightly (B) to complete the final details
(C) to put the shirt buttons (D) to shut down
5. **How has Ben shown his ignorance?**
(A) By admiring the old bureau (B) By calling the bureau artistic
(C) By calling the bureau second hand (D) By thinking the bureau was new
6. **The writer 'On the Rule of the Road', wants to play trombone on the _____ to please himself.**
(A) Hallowin (B) Helvellyn (C) Silicon Valley (D) Monaco
7. **What does the author not know about his favourite music record?**
(A) he does not know where to locate and listen to it
(B) he does not know where the physical record is
(C) he does not know that the song is at his fingertips
(D) he does not know how to play the song on his system
8. **Datta's impression about his customers was _____.**
(A) they were never punctual (B) they came in advance
(C) they came months later (D) they never came
9. **What is meant by deliverance?**
(A) salvation (B) spirituality (C) religion (D) hobby
10. **What can the keeper see?**
(A) the road (B) ring-dove broods (C) the trees (D) trout

11. **The figure of speech used in the line 'Rises toward her day after day, like a terrible fish,' is _____.**
(A) Climax (B) Hyperbole (C) Metonymy (D) Simile
12. **The poem Rum Tum Tugger is penned by _____.**
(A) Sylvia Plath (B) Rudyard Kipling
(C) T. S. Eliot (D) Rabindranath Tagore
13. **What did the bird's rapid eyes do?**
(A) It brought all the tiny creatures towards it
(B) It made all the tiny creatures move away hastily
(C) It did not affect other creatures
(D) It was frightened by the other creatures
14. **Through the poem 'On Killing a Tree', the poet tries to tell us _____.**
(A) how to cut a tree
(B) how long it takes to kill a tree
(C) the need to cut down a tree for development
(D) the difficulty of cutting down a tree and the pain it undergoes
15. **Why did Boggis buy the dirty looking old chair for four hundred pounds?**
(A) It was his passion for the chair
(B) It was needed as a replacement in his drawing room
(C) It had exquisite craftsmanship
(D) He knew it would fetch him a handsome amount
16. **The concept of having more children has evolved due to _____.**
(A) children leaving home (B) Children taking care of parents
(C) social taboos (D) social traditions
17. **The head of a _____ was carved on either arms of the oak armchair.**
(A) elephant (B) peacock (C) dove (D) duck
18. **Those who cannot find a job become _____.**
(A) helpless (B) pinked on the island
(C) forced to return back (D) targets for jihadist groups
19. **A crow shakes the raindrops from his feathers. (Change the voice)**
(A) From his feathers a crow shakes the raindrops.
(B) The raindrops are shook from his feathers by a crow.
(C) The raindrops are shaken from his feathers by a crow.
(D) The raindrops are shaken from his feathers by a crow.
20. **We went back in 2004 and did it all over again. (Change to Simple)**
(A) Going back in 2004, we did it all over again.
(B) Gone back in 2004, we did it all over again.
(C) To go back in 2004, we did it all over again.
(D) We went back in 2004, to do it all over again.
21. **What is meant by annuity?**
(A) A fixed sum of money paid once for all.
(B) A fixed sum of money paid each month.
(C) A fixed sum of money paid each year.
(D) Pension amount every month.
22. **Steve Jobs warns the students to not let the _____ drown their inner voice.**
(A) noise of others opinions (B) material wealth

- (C) dogma (D) superstitions
23. **Who said, "I suppose it is in the family"?**
 (A) Henry (B) Victoria (C) Ben (D) Amelia
24. **The two eyes of man are not capable of being _____ better terms with each other.**
 (A) to (B) on (C) at (D) upon
25. **I begin my stories _____ woe.**
 (A) for (B) from (C) of (D) to
26. **The phrase 'to catch a glimpse' means _____.**
 (A) to have a brief look (B) to have a complete look
 (C) to have a faint look (D) to ignore looking
27. **He is bound with us all forever. - Who is 'he' in this line?**
 (A) poet (B) prize winner (C) God (D) artist
28. **As though they perfectly knew. (Identify the figure of speech)**
 (A) Metaphor and Alliteration (B) Simile and Alliteration
 (C) Personification and Alliteration (D) Oxymoron and Alliteration
29. **The 'speckles' refer to :**
 (A) a pink object
 (B) the opposite wall which has spots on it
 (C) a person with pink pimples
 (D) pink spots in general
30. **What does the cat enjoy?**
 (A) Horrible muddle (B) Meddlesome affair
 (C) Terrible puddle (D) Troublesome quarrel
31. **The phrase 'he unrolled his feathers' suggests that bird is ready to _____.**
 (A) drink (B) eat (C) fly (D) hop
32. **Out from the earth-cave, (Identify the figure of speech)**
 (A) Metonymy (B) Metaphor (C) Simile (D) Both (A) and (B)
33. **The noun form of 'steady' is _____.**
 (A) steadiness (B) steadyness (C) steadfast (D) steading
34. **They are all important. (Change to Negative)**
 (A) They are all unimportant (B) None of them is unimportant
 (C) None of them are unimportant (D) They are not important enough.
35. **A man would come and try his luck. (Make it 'Interrogative')**
 (A) Wouldn't a man come and try his luck?
 (B) Would a man come and try his luck?
 (C) Wouldn't a man come and tried his luck?
 (D) Wouldn't a man came and try his luck?
36. **I'm pretty sure none of this would have happened if I hadn't been fired from Apple. (Use 'Unless')**
 (A) I'm pretty sure none of this would have happened unless I had not been fired from Apple.
 (B) I'm pretty sure all of this would have happened unless I had been fired from Apple.

- (C) I'm pretty sure none of this would have happened unless I had been fired from Apple.
(D) I'm pretty sure some of this would have happened unless I had been fired from Apple.

37. He's done it on purpose, just to annoy us. (Change to 'Complex')

- (A) He's done it on purpose, Just for hying to annoy us.
(B) He's done it on purpose, only because to annoy us.
(C) He's done it on purpose, only because he wants to annoy us.
(D) He's done it on purpose, since only it will annoy us.

38. Are you someone in particular? (Change to Assertive)

- (A) You are someone in particular. (B) You aren't anyone in particular.
(C) You weren't someone in particular. (D) You are not some people in particular.

39. I wrote a whole book that way. (Add a Questions Tag)

- (A) I wrote a whole book that way, did I?
(B) I wrote a whole book that way, doesn't I?
(C) I wrote a whole book that way, don't I?
(D) I wrote a whole book that way, didn't I?

40. The photograph was lying on a shelf among many others. (Change to Compound)

- (A) The photograph was lying on a shelf, and it was among many others.
(B) The photograph was lying on a shelf, but it was among many others.
(C) The photograph was lying on a shelf, so it was among many others.
(D) The photograph was lying on a shelf, since it was among many others

41. During which season do the trees turn grey?

- (A) monsoon rain (B) winter rain
(C) summer (D) throughout the year

42. The wrecks of The Titanic were identical to _____ .

- (A) her sister ship (B) unmanned submarine
(C) The Yorktown (D) Bismarck

43. The kingdom of Monaco is on the shores of _____ Sea.

- (A) Black (B) Mediterranean (C) Red (D) Dead

44. Steve Jobs was giving his speech to the graduating students at _____ .

- (A) Stanford University (C) Harvard University
(C) Cambridge University (D) Yale University

45. You know your own business best. (Change the 'Degree')

- (i) No one knows your business as well as you do.
(ii) No one knows your business as better as you do.
(iii) You know your own business better than anyone else does.
(iv) Everyone knows your own business better than you do.
(A) (i) and (iii) (B) (ii) and (iii) (C) (iii) and (iv) (D) (i) and (ii)

46. The left hand is worried about the _____ of her parents being excessive should something go wrong.

- (A) fear (B) fate (C) future (D) regret

47. It wasn't so long ago. (Change to Affirmative)

- (A) It was quite long ago. (B) It was quite recent.
(C) It was so long ago. (D) It was very early.

48. **The customer had a _____ to the photograph.**
 (A) reserved devotion (B) respectable devotion
 (C) fanatic devotion (D) blessed devotion
49. **Who has penned the humorous and playful plea 'A Petition of the Left Hand'?**
 (A) Ruskin Bond (B) A G Gardiner
 (C) Benjamin Franklin (D) Steve Iobs
50. **Which of the following conclusions about the bird is supported by the poem?**
 (A) The bird was hungry and thirsty (B) The bird did not know how to fly
 (C) The bird was a Blue Jay (D) The bird was injured

PART - B
SECTION - A

Ø **Answer the following in 5 - 6 sentence each : [2 Marks]** 06

1. What changes does the grandfather intend to make in his new will? What effect does it have on his daughters?
2. Draw A pen portrait of Datta.
3. Why were gaming houses banned in Germany?

Ø **Change the following into Indirect Speech :** 03

4. Abel : It seems to me that neither of you has any cause to feel proud about the way you've treated me.
 Mrs. Slater : If I've done anything wrong, I'm sure I'm sorry for it.
 Mrs. Jordan : And I can say no more than that, too.

Ø **The following paragraph has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the error and its correction as shown in example.** 02

In the hushed silence on the house (5) _____
 when I'm quite alone, or my friend, (6) _____
 which was here has gone, it is very (7) _____
 lonely, vary quite, as I sit in the liquid silence (8) _____

Ø **Combine the sentence :** 02

9. There are twin sisters of us. The two eyes of man do not resemble more. They are not more capable of being upon better terms with each other than my sister and myself.

SECTION - B

Ø **Answer the following in 5 - 6 sentence each : [2 Marks]** 06

10. How had the poet created an element of mystery in 'the way through the woods'?
11. What, in the poem, suggest that the cat is 'artful and learning'?
12. Why does the poet say that it is not easy to kill a tree?

Ø **Answer the following in 5 - 6 sentence each : [2 Marks]** 06

13. Why have the men left the villages in 'Out of Africa'?
14. Write in your own words the description of Ndiaguene at the beginning of the article.
15. Describe negotiation skills of Boggis with reference to 'The Chippendale Commodore'.

SECTION - C

Ø **Read the following passage and answer the given questions :** 04

16. Kai Kaoos was young and filled with pride at the thought of the great and splendid kingdom that was under his rule, and so he grew proud and haughty, and would not listen to the advice of his wise councillors, but thought that his will should be set above all the wisdom of the earth. Then, Evil Spirits, who are always on the watch to ruin mortals, saw this, and laid a snare for him. One of them took upon himself the form of a singer, and came to the Shah as he sat in his garden among his nobles. Very sweetly the minstrel sang, so that all the

company listened intently, and the songs that he sang, were all about the beautiful city of Mazinderan. When the proud Shah heard these songs, he stood up and cried aloud, "I will go to his beautiful city and take it for my own."

Questions :

- i. Suggest a suitable heading for the above passage.
- ii. Why did Kai Kaoos feel proud ?
- iii. What was the snare the Evil Spirits laid for him ?
- iv. What did the Shah say when he heard the songs ?

OR

17. Make a precise by reducing the above pasasage into one third of its size and give a suitable title to it. **04**

Ø **Read the following stanza and answer the given questions :** **03**

All human things are subject to decay
And, when Fate summons, monarchs must obey.
This Flecknoe found, who, like Augustus, young
Was called to empire and had governed long.
In prose and verse was owned without dispute,
This aged prince, now flourishing in peace.

Questions :

18. What happens to all the human beings ?
19. What have monarchs to do when fate summons ?
20. What was happening to the aged prince ?

Ø **Note Writing :** **03**

21. Your school had organized a 'Tree Plantation Programme'. Make a note of all that you have observed there.

OR

Ø **Notice Writing :** **03**

21. You are secretary of a school. Write a notice about the save energy and water conservation programme to be held in your school.

SECTION - D

Ø **Report Writing :** **04**

22. You are Rima/ Rashesh as a cultural secretary of your school. You have attended a workshop on Art and Carpentry workshop. Write a report.

OR

Ø **Diary Writing :** **04**

22. You are a member of a charitable group. Last week your group arranged a visit to the local orphanage where you met many children. You were overwhelmed with feelings after meeting these children. Write a diary entry on your feelings.

Ø **Email Writing :** **04**

23. Write an e-mail to the Municipal Commissioner of your city pointing out the neglect of proper supervision and maintenance of the public park in your area.

Ø **Story Writing :** **07**

24. **Read the following outline story and complete it giving a suitable title and moral :**

Outline : Two brothers _____ division of property _____ younger one is benefitted _____ property cow and date tree _____ Abraham innocent All shrewd _____ All keeps all profit _____ Abraham advised by a wise man _____ Ali realises _____ seeks pardon _____ lived happily everafter _____ Moral.

OR

24. **Write an essay on any one of the following topics:** **07**

- i. Importance of Prayer
- ii. Are Humans responsible for Global Warming ?