

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. **From where did the leopard lift a dog?**
(A) from the servant quarter (B) from a bungalow
(C) from a villa (D) from the market
2. **Who was the writer of the book which inspired Ballard?**
(A) Jules Verne (B) Michal Jackson (C) A.O. Hume (D) Ruskin Bond
3. **It seemed too much an amount to spend. (Remove 'too')**
(A) It seemed so much an amount that we can spend it. .
(B) It seemed so much an amount that we couldn't spend it.
(C) It seemed so much an amount that we can't spend it.
(D) It seemed so much an amount that we could spend it.
4. **The phrase 'let one down' means _____.**
(A) to disappoint someone (B) to fail someone
(C) to trouble someone (D) to hurt someone
5. **Where are they going to search for the Insurance receipt?**
(A) In the chest of drawers (B) In the old bureau
(C) In the cupboard (D) In the mantle piece
6. **Germany came trampling like a bully over _____.**
(A) Berlin (B) Belgium (C) Bavaria (D) Bremen
7. **Which romantic notion should we not become hostages to?**
(A) That the past is not at all a better country
(B) That the past is always a better country
(C) That the future is not going in the right way
(D) Being addicted to the weight of self-experience
8. **According to Datta people paid their homage to their dear ones by _____.**
(A) getting a poster made (B) getting a portrait made
(C) getting a frame made (D) getting a glittering frame
9. **What is common among the tillers and labors?**
(A) hard work (B) earning money
(C) singing prayers (D) worshipping God
10. **The road in the woods is a _____.**
(A) busy road (B) deserted road (C) frequented road (D) abandoned road

11. **Name the figure of speech used in the line :**
'Whatever I see I swallow immediately.'
 (A) Metaphor (B) Personification
 (C) Simile (D) Synecdoche
12. **The poem Rum Tum Tugger draws our attention to the similarities between human and _____ personality traits.**
 (A) God (B) feline (C) avian (D) amphibian
13. **What did the bird do to the beetle?**
 (A) bit it into two halves (B) squashed it
 (C) let it pass (D) chased it
14. **Why has the poet said "the root to be pulled out"?**
 (A) To fell down the tree fully (B) To expose the strength of the tree
 (C) To kill the tree completely (D) To shift the tree elsewhere
15. **Why did Boggis park his car at some distance?**
 (A) he did not want people to know he was a well to do clergy
 (B) he did not want to arouse suspicion about himself
 (C) he did not want to reveal it till the deal was clinched
 (D) he did not like his small little car
16. _____ **is not the reason for crops getting spoilt.**
 (A) The dried out fields (B) The irregularity of rainy season
 (C) The moist earth (D) The torrential downpours
17. **The commode table was set upon _____.**
 (A) carved legs (B) fluted legs (C) shaped legs (D) flat legs
18. **The population of Ndiamaguene is _____.**
 (A) 250 (B) 300 (C) 800 (D) 175
19. **A school boy asked me to describe the hill station. (Change the Voice)**
 (A) To describe the hill station a school boy asked me.
 (B) I was asked by a school boy to describe the hill station.
 (C) I am asked by a school boy to describe the hill station.
 (D) A school boy was asked by me to describe the hill station.
20. **History would show that the expedition was successful on all fronts. (Change to Simple)**
 (A) History should show the succeeding of the expedition on all fronts. .
 (B) History would show the succeeding of the expedition on all fronts.
 (C) History would show the successful expedition on all fronts.
 (D) History would show the success at the expedition on all fronts.
21. **The Germans stopped the gaming houses because _____.**
 (A) they were illegal (B) they did so much harm
 (C) there wasn't much money in them (D) they made people indebted
22. **Steve Jobs compares _____ to awful tasting medicine.**
 (A) having a divorce (B) being fired from Apple
 (C) wasting his parent's money (D) losing his biological mother
23. **Who said, "I wonder if they'll come at all"?**
 (A) Amelia (B) Victoria (C) Henry (D) Ben

24. **Partiality is to _____ as similarity is to dissimilarity.**
(A) dispartiality (B) impartiality (C) impartiality (D) unpartiality
25. **I am as _____ as anyone.**
(A) guilty (B) guilty (C) gully (D) guilt
26. **The phrase 'to hold one's attention' means _____.**
(A) to keep one screwed (B) to keep one interested
(C) to keep one active (D) to keep one going
27. **Tagore says God is not _____.**
(A) in the lonely dark corner of a temple
(B) where the pathmaker is breaking stones
(C) where the tiller is tilling the hard ground
(D) with the tiller in sun and shower
28. **You will hear the beat of a horse's feet _____. (Identify the figure of speech)**
(A) Alliteration and Antithesis (B) Internal Rhyme and Simile
(C) Alliteration and Internal Rhyme (D) Personification and Internal Rhyme
29. **The mirror has been called 'a four-cornered god' because :**
(A) it is square shaped
(B) like God it watches you unbiased and fair from all four angles
(C) it reflects back all that it sees
(D) it never stops reflecting
30. **When does the cat make a fuss?**
(A) When he does not get food (B) When he is beaten
(C) When he is scolded (D) When he is trapped somewhere
31. **The word 'plashless' means _____.**
(A) beautifully (B) harshly (C) roughly (D) smoothly
32. **The bleeding bark will heal (Identify the figure of speech)**
(A) Alliteration (B) Repetition (C) Paradox (D) Both (A) and (C)
33. **The noun form of 'appear' is _____.**
(A) appeared (B) appealingly (C) apparent (D) appearance
34. **He always dreamed of finding it. (Change to Negative)**
(A) He did stop dreaming of not finding
(B) He never stopping dreaming of finding it.
(C) He never stopped dreaming of finding it.
(D) He never stop dreaming of finding It.
35. **You ought to have executed me. (Make it 'Interrogative')**
(A) Oughtn't you to has executed me?
(B) Oughtn't you to have executed me?
(C) Oughtn't you to had executed me?
(D) Oughtn't you to have been executed me?
36. **If I had never dropped in on that calligraphy course, the Mac would have never had multiple typefaces. (Use 'Unless')**
(A) Unless I had dropped in on that calligraphy course, the Mac would have never had multiple typefaces.
(B) Unless I had not dropped in on that calligraphy course, the Mac would have never had multiple typefaces.

- (C) Unless I had dropped in on that calligraphy course, the Mac would have had multiple typefaces.
(D) Unless I had dropped in on that calligraphy course, the Mac would have ever had multiple typefaces.

- 37. They wipe their eyes, and sniff back tears. (Change to 'Complex')**
(A) They have wiped their eyes, to sniff back tears.
(B) After they wipe their eyes, they sniff back tears.
(C) First they wipe their eyes, and then sniff back tears.
(D) Since they wipe their eyes, they sniff back tears.
- 38. Can't you announce your coming like a gentleman ? (Change to Assertive)**
(A) You must announce your coming like a gentleman.
(B) One has to announce one's coming as a gentleman.
(C) You cannot announce your coming like a gentleman.
(D) You can announce your coming like a gentleman.
- 39. It wasn't so long ago. (Add a Questions Tag)**
(A) It wasn't so long ago, was it? (B) It wasn't so long ago, was it not?
(C) It wasn't so long ago, is it? (D) It wasn't so long ago, isn't it?
- 40. He sat with both hands clutching his head. (Change to Compound)**
(A) He sat down but both his hands were clutching his head.
(B) He sat down since both his hands were clutching his head.
(C) He sat down and clutched his head with both hands.
(D) He sat down and both his hands were clutching his head.
- 41. The red colour of the seeds of cobra lily suggests that _____.**
(A) more rain fall will occur (B) rainfall will come to an end
(C) more cold will appear (D) more heat will be experienced
- 42. What disturbed Ballard?**
(A) salvage operation (B) the wrecks of The Titanic
(C) reaction of media (D) cold war
- 43. The writer of 'Too Dear' is _____.**
(A) Leo Tolstoy (B) Steve Job
(C) Ruskin Bond (D) Rabindranath Tagore
- 44. Steve Jobs walked every Sunday night to get a good meal at the _____.**
(A) Ferguson Fraternity (B) Mac Donald's'
(C) Hare Krishna Temple (D) St. Paul's Church
- 45. It's the best we can do till our new black's ready. (Change the 'Degree')**
(i) We can't do better than this till our new black's ready.
(ii) This is as good as we can do till our new black's ready.
(iii) We can do much better than this till our new black's not ready.
(iv) How good can we do till our new black's not ready?
(A) (ii) and (iii) (B) (iii) and (iv) (C) (i) and (iv) (D) (i) and (ii)
- 46. The right hand _____ the left hand.**
(A) hated (B) was compassionate to
(C) was proud of (D) felt superior to
- 47. I don't know where the physical record has gone. (Change to Affirmative)**
(A) I am aware of where the physical record has gone.
(B) I know where the physical record has gone

- (C) How can I know where the physical record have gone?
 (D) I am unaware about where the physical record has gone.

48. **When Datta shook the folds of his dhoti the _____ was spilled.**
 (A) water (B) oil (C) golden paint (D) enamel paint
49. **Who is the twin sister of the hand making the petition?**
 (A) The right hand. (B) The left hand.
 (C) The real sister. (D) The real brother.
50. **What did the bird not do when it came down?**
 (A) eat a worm (B) drink some dew
 (C) eat a blade of grass (D) move aside from a beetle

PART - B
SECTION - A

- ∅ **Answer the following in 5 - 6 sentence each : [2 Marks]** 06
1. Why does Mrs. Slater quickly shift the bureau?
 2. How was the photograph damaged?
 3. Why did they have a problem in executing the murderer?

- ∅ **Change the following into Indirect Speech :** 03
4. Mrs. Jordan : I'll tell you what's been going on in this house, father.
 Nothing short of robbery.
 Mrs. Slater : Be quiet. Elizabeth.
 Mrs. Jordan : I'll not be quiet. Oh, I call it double faced.

- ∅ **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
- It is the last day from August, (5) _____
 but the lash monsoon growth (6) _____
 have reached its peak. The seeds of the (7) _____
 cobra lily is turning red. (8) _____

- ∅ **Combine the sentence :** 02
9. I was suffered to grow up. I had to do so without the least instruction. Nothing was spared in her education. She had masters to teach her.

SECTION - B

- ∅ **Answer the following in 5 - 6 sentence each : [2 Marks]** 06
10. How does Tagore glorify the life of humble labourers?
 11. Why has the mirror no preconceptions?
 12. How does the poet make a mockery of those who cut the trees?

- ∅ **Answer the following in 5 - 6 sentence each : [2 Marks]** 06
13. Explain the plight of the 'least lucky' in 'Out of Africa'..
 14. Why would Boggis go frequently to the countryside?
 15. What was wrong with the picture according to the author of 'Out of Africa'?

SECTION - C

- ∅ **Read the following passage and answer the given questions :** 04
16. Our country gave birth to a might soul and he shone like a beacon not only for India but als for the whole world. And yet he was done to death by one of our own brothers and compatriots. How did this happen ? You might think that it was an act of madness, but that does not explain this tragedy. It could only occur because the seed for it was sown in the poison of hatred and enmity that spread throughout the country and affected so many of our people. Out of that seed grew this poisonous plant. It is the duty of all of us to fight this poison of hatred and ill-will. If we have learnt anything from Gandhiji, we must bear no ill-will or enmity towards any person. The individual is not our enemy; it is the poison within him that we fight and which we must put an end to.

Questions :

- i. Who is "the mighty soul" referred to in the passage ?
- ii. Why was he done to death ?
- iii. What do we learn from Gandhiji ?
- iv. What should we fight against in the individual ?

OR

17. Make a precise by reducing the above passage 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**

An oak and an elm-tree stand beside,
And behind doth an ash-tree grow,
And a willow from the bank above
Droops to the water below.
A traveler came to the well of St. Keyne,
Joyfully the drew nigh ;
For from cock-crow he had been traveling,
And there was not a cloud in the sky

Questions :

- 18. Who stood beside and behind ?
- 19. Who droops to the water below ?
- 20. What wasn't there in the sky ?

Ø **Note Writing :** **03**

21. You are on a visit to Narmada Dam. Make a note of all that you observed there.

OR

Ø **Notice Writing :** **03**

21. You are the principal of a higher secondary school. Call a meeting of your staff for the improvement of discipline. Write a notice for the purpose.

SECTION - D

Ø **Report Writing :** **04**

22. You are Aryan, Head boy of Gloria Public School Ahmedabad. Your school has hoisted The state level CBSE Science Exhibition. Write a report of this event for your school newsletter in about 150 words.

OR

Ø **Diary Writing :** **04**

22. Last week you went shopping and shopped a lot. When you went to the cash counter you found your purse missing but after looking here and there you found it. List out your experience.

Ø **Email Writing :** **04**

23. Your school is proposing to take the students to Goa. As the school representative write an e-mail to the manager of YMCA Hostel requesting him to provide accommodation to the school group for a week.

Ø **Story Writing :** **07**

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

Outline : Hawk lived on the hill _____ foolish crow imitated _____ Saw hawk flying high and swooping on his prey _____ crow imitated but failed _____ sees mouse _____ swoops _____ crashes against the hill _____ advised by the hawk crow learn-his lesson _____ Moral.

OR

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

- i. Charity begins at Home
- ii. Social Networking - its advantages and its disadvantages