

Eng. Medium
10th GSEB
Batch :

MAHESH TUTORIALS
SUBJECT : English
Prose 7 to 12, Poem 5 to 8, SR No.2, 3
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. **Nostalgist is one who _____.**
(A) fondly remembers the past (B) forgets about the past
(C) unhappily remember the past (D) worries about the past
2. **Was the author satisfied with his microfiche research? Why?**
(A) No, because it did not add much to most of the paragraphs
(B) No, because he was old enough to go to many libraries for it
(C) Yes, because it added a lot of information to the paragraphs
(D) Yes, because he enjoyed looking for all of the information
3. **How does the author do his shopping now?**
(A) At his leisure, only during the day, not night
(B) At his leisure, at any time of the day or night
(C) At his leisure, only during the night, not day
(D) At his leisure, at any time of the night, not day.
4. **Datta gave _____ answers to the customers' questions.**
(A) twisted (B) straightforward (C) confused (D) laconic
5. **Datta discouraged casual friends because _____.**
(A) they wanted to learn his work
(B) they intruded in his work with idle gossip
(C) they demotivated him in his work
(D) they criticized his work
6. **Datta was always seen sitting on _____.**
(A) his chair (B) the floor (C) the bed (D) his hunches
7. **When had the author of letter to my Daughter learnt the life lessons?**
(A) In her childhood (B) In her formative years
(C) In her schooling years (D) All of these
8. **The author's mother had been _____ before her father's death.**
(A) a working woman (B) a home maker
(C) a designer (D) a CEO of a bank
9. **In achieving our goal we must not compromise on _____.**
(A) our benefits (B) others discomfort
(C) honesty and playing fair (D) our losses

10. **According to the speaker Pooja Thakur, the most memorable day of her life was when she _____.**
(A) earned the license to fly (B) graduated from the academy
(C) jumped from fourteen thousand feet (D) won the prize for best cadet
11. **Two things that Pooja had not to do in the academy was _____.**
(A) wash her clothes and not oil her hair (B) ride a two wheeler and use a cell phone
(C) Oil her hair and plait it (D) none of these
12. **The first jump that Pooja tried was _____.**
(A) when she was a new comer in the Air Force
(B) when she finished her ground training
(C) when she was a mother of two kids
(D) when she was at the far end of her career
13. **The author Mark Twain, advises people to _____.**
(A) avoid train travels (B) go to bed and forget everything
(C) stay at home with insurance tickets (D) travel regularly with insurance ticket
14. **The Erie road was the _____ in the lot to travel.**
(A) most dangerous (B) safest (C) most reliable (D) most murderous
15. **The number of people killed in accidents on the road is _____ than that at home.**
(A) much lesser (B) much more (C) not more (D) not lesser
16. **The author of 'One Full, One Half' felt happy that she was the _____.**
(A) mother of a boy (B) mother of a special child
(C) special mother of a boy (D) special mother of a special child
17. **'The mental strength which he has given to me is inexhaustible.' The sentence suggests that _____, from 'One Full, One Half'.**
(A) her son exhausts her (B) her son is mentally strong
(C) her son is mentally weak (D) her son provides her mental strength
18. **Chaitanya's world, complete in itself, is full of _____.**
(A) deceit (B) happiness (C) ill feelings (D) innocence
19. **The word 'plashless' means _____.**
(A) beautifully (B) harshly (C) roughly (D) smoothly
20. **'They looked like frightened beads, I thought' The figure of speech used in the line are _____.**
(A) Alliteration and Climax (B) Anticlimax and Simile
(C) Euphemism and Litotes (D) Simile and Anastrophe
21. **He stirred his velvet head**
(A) Simile (B) Personification (C) Metaphor (D) Oxymoron
22. **What will happen when the wound heals?**
(A) The tree will stop growing
(B) The tree will wither away
(C) The tree will give out shoots and grow
(D) The tree will stop bearing fruit
23. **The phrase 'miniature boughs' means _____.**
(A) smaller plants (B) new plants (C) new branches (D) bushes

24. **The bleeding bark will heal**
 (A) Alliteration (B) Hyperbole (C) Paradox (D) All of these
25. **'When the body perishes, all perishes'. The figure of speech in the line is _____.**
 (A) Euphemism (B) Irony (C) Simile (D) Tautology
26. **The poet wishes to be in the memory of her lover by _____.**
 (A) becoming a painting on the canvas (B) becoming a statue
 (C) becoming sweet moonlight (D) becoming a love poem
27. **The figure of speech used in the line. and I will meet you yet again.**
 (A) Climax (B) Anti-climax (C) Alliteration (D) Antithesis
28. **Dreaming of things they did with balls and bats; Which stage of the soldier's life does this line refer to?**
 (A) Adulthood (B) Childhood (C) Infancy (D) Old age
29. **Drawing no dividend from time's tomorrows means _____.**
 (A) making profits from the future
 (B) paving a better future for tomorrow for their country by sacrificing their lives
 (C) having no savings to earn dividends for their future
 (D) not benefitting anything from the future
30. **The figure of speech used in the line. Bank-holidays, and picture shows, and spats,**
 (A) Repetition (B) Climax (C) Onomatopoeia (D) Personification
31. **The father in the article, 'Out of Africa' is afraid of losing his _____.**
 (A) community (B) family (C) farmland (D) son
32. **The people of Africa are heading towards _____.**
 (A) America (B) Europe (C) Egypt (D) Australia
33. **Sister Mary Laurette's teaching was _____.**
 (A) uninteresting (B) beyond comprehension
 (C) very dedicated (D) very unique
34. **When Padma was being compared with her sister, how did Sister Mary react?**
 (A) She scolded Padma for playing mischief in the class
 (B) She scolded Padma to study well and not make her sister ashamed.
 (C) She told the teacher not to compare her with her sister.
 (D) She tried to make Padma understand how to behave in the class
35. **You might find someone to talk to. (Change the Voice)**
 (A) Someone to talk to you might find.
 (B) You might be found by someone to talk to.
 (C) To talk to someone might be found by you.
 (D) Someone to talk to might be found by you.
36. **I don't know where the physical record has gone. (Change to Simple)**
 (A) I don't know the whereabouts of the physical record.
 (B) Not knowing where the physical record has gone.
 (C) I am not aware of where the physical record is.
 (D) I was not knowing the place of the physical record.

- 37. You want to know where to hear some music? (Change to Complex)**
(A) You want to know the place where to hearing some music?
(B) You want to know the place where you can hear some music?
(C) You want to know the place where they hear some music?
(D) You want to know the place where all are hearing some music?
- 38. My favourite record, when I was a teenager, was 'How Soon is Now?' (Change to Simple)**
(A) When I was a teenager, my favourite record was 'How Soon Is Now?'
(B) Being a teenager, my favourite record was 'How Soon is Now?'
(C) When I being teenager, my favourite record was 'How Soon Is Now?'
(D) As a teenager, my favourite record was 'How Soon Is Now?'
- 39. 'To stand transfixed' means _____.**
(A) to stand motionful (B) to stand still in amazement
(C) to stand still in shock (D) to stand in fear
- 40. He saw the possibility of finding an acceptable substitute. (Change to Complex)**
(A) He was seeing if there was the possibility of finding an acceptable substitute.
(B) He saw if there was the possibility of finding an acceptable substitute.
(C) He could see the possibility of finding an acceptable substitute.
(D) He saw that there was a possibility of finding an acceptable substitute.
- 41. His imagination ran wild, suggesting nightmarish consequences to his own dear self. (Change to Complex)**
(A) His imagination ran wild which suggesting nightmarish consequences to his own dear self.
(B) His imagination which ran wild suggested nightmarish consequences to his own dear self.
(C) His imagination ran wild suggested which nightmarish consequences to his own dear self.
(D) His imagination ran wild when it suggested nightmarish consequences to his own dear self.
- 42. Now don't deny it! (Change to Affirmative)**
(A) Now do deny it. (B) It must be denied now.
(C) Now, agree to it. (D) Now you should not deny it.
- 43. There would be trouble if he did not deliver the order on the promised date. (Rewrite using 'unless')**
(A) There would be trouble unless he did not deliver the order on the promised date.
(B) There would be trouble unless he delivered the order on the promised date.
(C) There would be trouble unless he didn't deliver the order on the promised date.
(D) Unless there would be trouble he would deliver the order on the promised date.
- 44. Our parents treated all three of us equally. (Change to Negative)**
(A) Our parents never treated all three of us equally.
(B) Our parents never treated any of us equally.
(C) Our parents never treated any of us unequally.
(D) Our parents did not treat all three of us equally.
- 45. All that changed overnight. (Add a Question Tag)**
(A) All that changed overnight, did it?

- (B) All that changed overnight, isn't it?
 (C) All that changed overnight, didn't it?
 (D) All that changed overnight, wasn't it?

46. He was now a much more confident person. (Change to Positive Degree)

- (A) He had not been as confident a person as he was now.
 (B) He was the most confident person now.
 (C) He was so confident now that he was not like that.
 (D) He is not such a confident person then as he was now.

47. His speech improved and his expression became clearer. (Use Not only...but also')

- (A) His not only speech improved but also his expression became clearer.
 (B) He not only improved his speech but also his expression became clearer.
 (C) Not only his speech improved but his expression also became clearer.
 (D) His speech not only improved but also became clearer with expression.

48. Impossible is just an opinion. (Change to Negative)

- (A) Impossible is not just an opinion. (B) Impossible is just not an opinion.
 (C) Impossible is nothing but an opinion. (D) Impossible cannot be just an opinion.

49. The Erie did more business than any other line in the country. (Change the Degree)

- (i) No other line in the country did as much business as the Erie did.
 (ii) Every other line in the country did as much business as the Erie did.
 (iii) Of all the lines in the country, the Erie did the most business.
 (iv) The Erie had did any business as any other line in the country.
 (A) All four options (B) (i), and (ii) (C) (i) and (iii) (D) (ii) and (iii)

50. When you have got to stay at home a while, buy a package of those insurance tickets. (Use No sooner...than')

- (A) No sooner have you got to stay at home a while, than buy a package of those insurance tickets.
 (B) No sooner do you have to stay at home a while, than you buy a package of those insurance tickets.
 (C) No sooner must you to stay at home a while, than buy a package of those insurance tickets.
 (D) No sooner should you to stay at home a while, than you buy a package of those insurance tickets.

PART - B
SECTION - A

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

1. Why does the writer 'In Praise of Technology' feel that his life now is better?
 2. Why does writer of 'Letter to My Dayghter' feel that her mother had a wealth of self-assurance and belief within her?
 3. Write about Pooja's experience at the Academy?

06

Ø **Turn into Indirect Speech :**

- 4(i) "The best of course. Do you expect I would stint where this great soul is concerned?" said the man.
 4(ii) The man in the ticket office said, "Have an accident insurance ticket, also?"
 "No," I said, after studying the matter over a little. "No, I believe not; I am going to be travelling by rail all day to day. However, tomorrow I don't travel. Give me one for tomorrow."
 4(iii) 'This is appalling' I said "The danger isn't in travelling by rail, but in trusting to those deadly beds. I will never sleep in a bed again?'

03

- ∅ **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**

	Error	Correction
It is in the smallest matters of	eg. smallest	small
conduct, at the adherence of the rule	5. _____	_____
of the road, that we passed	6. _____	_____
judgement upon ourself, and declare	7. _____	_____
that we is civillized or uncivillized	8. _____	_____

- ∅ **Combine the sentence :** **02**
9. The special school did Chaitanya a lot of good. He was now a much more confident person. He was adored by his teachers. He was also adored by his friends and his school staff.

SECTION - B

- ∅ **Read the following lines and answer the following questions :** **02**

It takes much time to kill a tree,
 Not a simple job of the knife
 Will do it. It has grown.
 Slowly consuming the earth,
 Rising out of it, feeding
 Upon its crust, absorbing
 Years of sunlight, air, water,
 And out of its leaperous hid
 Sprouting leaves.

Questions :

10. Why does it take much time to kill a tree ?
 11. How does a tree get nourishment ?

- ∅ **Answer the following questions in about 4 to 5 sentences each :** **04**

12. 'But that this life will walk along with me'. Explain with respect to Amrita Pritam.
 13. What according to poet, is expected from the soldiers?

- ∅ **Answer the following questions in about 5 to 6 sentences each :** **04**

14. What was wrong with the picture according to the author of 'Out of Africa' ?
 15. Why have the men left the villages?
 16. Draw a pen - portrait of Father Simon Blorges.

SECTION - C

- ∅ **Read the following passage and answer the given questions :** **04**

17. Pressures are not new ; I still have them but we all have to learn to handle them. All through my career my son, I have always tried to think and implement solutions to problems or pressures, different from the existing norms because I have always felt that there has to be a different method to approach a problem. There is every possibility that you may fail, but it eliminates one more parameter of solution.

Questions :

- i. Who is 'I' and what is he talking about ?
 ii. Explain his results to the suggestion.
 iii. Give synonyms for :
 a. implement b. eliminate

OR

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

- ∅ **Read the following stanza and answer the given questions :** **03**

The Palanquin Bearers

Lightly, O lightly we bear her along,
 She sways like a flower in the wind of our song;
 She skims like a bird on the foam of a stream,
 She floats like a laugh from the lips of a dreams.
 Gaily, O gaily we glide and we sing,
 We bear her along like a pearl on a string.
 Softly, O softly we bear her along,
 She hangs like a star in the dew of our song;
 She springs like a beam on the brow of the tide.
 She falls like a tear from the eyes of a bride.
 Lightly, O lightly we glide and we sing,
 We bear her along like a pearl on a string.

- Sarojini Naidu

Questions :

18. By whom is the song sung and when?
 19. Mention any four similes from the poem.
 20. According to you why the palanquin bearers sing as they carry the palanquin?

∅ **Note Writing :**

21. Soon after the board results you visited a board topper in your area. Since you were to appear for the board examination. You were quite curious to know how he made it. Prepare a note.

OR

∅ **Notice Writing :**

21. Your school is organising an educational tour during the summer vacation. Draft a notice to be put up on the noticeboard, on behalf of the Principal, with all necessary details.

SECTION - D

∅ **Report Writing :**

22. You went on an educational tour to 'The Sun Temple Modhera'. Write a report describing the tour in about 150 words.

OR

∅ **Diary Writing :**

22. You visited an old age home. Make a diary entry of the experiences you had sending a day with the elderly.

∅ **Email Writing :**

23. Write an email to your friend narrating the changes occurred in your schedule as the Board Examinations approach.

∅ **Story Writing :**

24. **Write a story in 150-200 words on the inputs given below :**

A young girl - hurry to reach somewhere - a rickshaw stops - demands double fare - girl is annoyed lets it go - another rickshaw stops - she sits - finds no meter in the rickshaw - starts abusing rickshawwala - all are cheaters - rickshawwala keeps calm - after getting down she offers money - reply the previous passenger has paid it - girl is surprised she pays for the next passenger - 'service without expectation' - title.

OR

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

- i. If Trees Could Speak
 ii. Earthquakes

★★★★ *Best of Luck* ★★★★★

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