

ENGLISH



QUESTION PAPER **2017**

Time: 40 Minutes Total Marks: 200

Important Instructions:

- 1. This Test contains 50 items (questions). Each item comprises four responses (answers). You will select the response which you want to mark on the Answer Sheet. In case, you feel that there is more than one correct response, mark the response which you consider the best. In any case, choose ONLY ONE response for each item.
- **2.** You have to mark all your responses **ONLY** on the separate Answer Sheet provided.
- 3. All items carry equal marks.
- **4.** Before you proceed to mark in the Answer Sheet the response to various items in the Test Booklet, you have to fill in some particulars in the Answer Sheet as per instructions.
- **5.** Penalty for wrong answers:
 - THERE WILL BE PENALTY FOR WRONG ANSWERS MARKED BY A CANDIDATE IN THE OBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTION PAPERS.
 - (i) There are four alternatives for the answer to every question. For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, one third of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
 - (ii) If a candidate gives more than one answer, it will be treated as a wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct and there will be same penalty as above to that question.
 - (iii) If a question is left blank, i.e., no answer is given by the candidate, there will be no penalty for that question.

Synonyms

Directions: (Q. 1–10) Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word / words followed by four options. Select the option that is nearest in meaning to the underlined word / words and mark your response in your Answer Sheet accordingly.

- 1. The discussion was wound up after a long and fruitful exchange of views.
 - (a) postponed
- (b) cut short
- (c) interrupted
- (d) concluded
- 2. He was fully <u>alive to</u> the need for making adjustments.
 - (a) concerned about
- (b) worried about
- (c) aware of
- (d) indifferent about
- 3. The police officer tried to <u>intimidate</u> the witness but in vain.
 - (a) inform
- (b) reward
- (c) frighten
- (d) persuade
- **4.** We must adopt <u>drastic</u> measures to control population growth.
 - (a) simple
- (b) dramatic
- (c) realistic
- (d) severe

- **5.** He is extremely meticulous in his approach.
 - (a) simple
- (b) careful
- (c) fair
- (d) reasonable
- **6.** The experts' minute examination brought to light some important clues.
 - (a) quick
- (b) detailed
- (c) superficial
- (d) prolonged
- 7. The decision of the Union Government to repeal the Urban Land Ceiling Act has been welcomed by all.
 - (a) suppress
- (b) amend
- (c) cancel
- (d) withhold
- **8.** This is his maiden appearance on the screen.
 - (a) first
- (b) last
- (c) girlish
- **(d)** shy
- **9.** At the end of the marathon everybody was exhausted.
 - (a) weakened
- (b) honoured
- (c) satisfied
- (d) tired
- **10.** He gave me a counterfeit coin.
 - (a) rare
- (b) fake
- (c) unmatured
- (d) inferior

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Antonyms

Directions: (Q. 11–20) Each item in this section consists of a sentence with an underlined word / words followed by four options. Select the option that is opposite in meaning to the underlined word / words and mark your response in your Answer Sheet accordingly.

- **11.** My mother has been working hard for the last two weeks and she feels run down.
 - (a) morbid
- (b) energetic
- (c) exhausted
- (d) emotional
- **12.** The President condemned the act of <u>violence</u> during the celebration of the festival.
 - (a) reason
- **(b)** instigation
- (c) restraint
- (d) sobriety
- **13.** The students made a <u>generous</u> contribution to the flood relief fund.
 - (a) niggard
- (b) selfish
- (c) spendthrift
- (d) indecent
- 14. He was just idle by temperament.
 - (a) employed
- (b) occupied
- (c) industrious
- (d) happy

- **15.** Most of the decisions taken by the officer were unjust.
 - (a) serious
- (b) lenient
- (c) correct
- (d) imbecile
- **16.** He is a loving father and takes great <u>delight</u> in his children.
 - (a) revolt
- (b) dissatisfaction
- (c) enjoyment
- (d) disgust
- 17. He was quite concerned about his son's career.
 - (a) unrelated
- (b) indifferent
- (c) dispassionate
- (d) carefree
- **18.** They are confident of success.
 - (a) imprudent
- (b) impatient
- (c) diffident
- (d) reluctant
- **19.** We <u>carried on</u> the search for the missing person.
 - (a) delayed
- (b) reconsidered
- (c) broke up
- (d) called off
- 20. This T.V. has many indigenous components.
 - (a) Indian
- **(b)** foreign
- (c) unnatural
- (d) genuine

Selecting Words

Directions: (Q. 21–30) In the following passage, at certain points you are given a choice of four words marked (a), (b), (c) and (d), one of which fits the meaning of the passage. Choose the best word out of the four. Mark the letter, viz., (a), (b), (c) or (d), relating to this word on your Answer Sheet. Examples K and L have been solved for you.

K

The (a) boy

was in the school in Shimla.

- (b) horse
- (c) dog
- (d) cow

L

- (a) She was homesick
- (b) It
- (c) He
- (d) Her

Explanation: Out of the list given in item K, only, 'boy' is the correct answer because usually, a boy, and not a horse, a dog or a cow, attends school. So '(a)' is to be marked on the Answer Sheet for item K. A boy is usually referred to as 'he', so for item L, '(c)' is the correct answer. Notice that to solve the first item K you have to read the rest of the sentence and then see what fits best.

Passage

21.

After this incident I went to Nainital, and returned after nearly a month. I had

- (a) hardly
- (b) barely
- (c) merely
- (d) rarely

22. 23. taken (a) out my clothes when I saw Gangu standing (a) by **(b)** away (b) near (c) off (c) with (d) on (d) at 24. 25. not have a new baby. He was (a) jumping with joy. Even Nanda (a) could (b) bursting **(b)** would (c) should (c) dancing (d) singing (d) ought 26. 27. (a) experimented such joy (a) at getting Krishna. (b) shown **(b)** in (c) felt (c) on (d) heard (d) into 29. 28. His face had the same (a) light that (a) comes (b) glow (b) appears (c) sense (c) rises (d) hope (d) shows 30. on the face of a (a) starved man after a full meal. (b) starving (c) hungry (d) satisfied (c) RPQS (d) PRQS Ordering of words in a sentence 33. Even a leisurely game like cricket Directions: (Q. 31–35) Each of the following items demanding grace rather than strength in this section consists of a sentence, the parts of which have been jumbled. These parts have been and over the rough tactics of the Australian labelled P, Q, R. and S. Given below each sentence team that visited England in 1921 are four sequences namely (a), (b), (c) and (d). You are required to re-arrange the jumbled parts of the as we saw in the controversy over body-line sentence and mark your response accordingly. bowling **31.** The spirit of man R has slowly and painfully surmounted can cause much ill-will and his growing intelligence (a) PSRQ (b) RSPQ (c) SRQP (d) QPRS all the obstacles that have come in his way 34. Scientists point out of sunspot activity R has faced all kinds of dangers that it is an aftermath that (a) QPSR (b) SQPR has now reached its peak (c) RPQS (d) PRQS 32. After our school boys had won a well-contested of the eleven-year cycle hockey match so that they might communicate the news of (a) RSPQ (b) PQSR their victory to the headmaster (d) QSPR (c) QRPS **35.** As the ship streams from San Diego who is a keen sportsman as walls of gray water from a distant storm in the North Pacific they came to school in high spirits making the greener among us miserable with and takes a very lively interest in school games sea sickness Q (a) QPSR (b) SQPR

rock and toss the ship

those of us aboard have a personal demonstration of powerful ocean movement

(a) PQRS

(b) SRPQ

(c) SPRQ

(d) QSRP

Spotting Errors

Directions: (Q. 36–40) Each item in this section has a sentence with three underlined parts labelled (a), (b) and (c). Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in any underlined part and indicate your response in the Answer Sheet against the corresponding letter *i.e.*, (a) or (b) or (c). If you find no error, your response should be indicated as (d).

- 36. An electrical circuit is the complete path (b)

 traversed by electric current. No error
- 37. He waved us a by-by
 (a) as he boarded the train
 (b)
 which disappeared into the tunnel. No error

 $\frac{\text{which disappeared into the tunnel.}}{\text{(c)}} \quad \frac{\text{No error}}{\text{(b)}}$

38. There was great deal that had to be scrapped, that must be scrapped;

but surely India could not have been what she undoubtedly was,

and could not have continued a cultured existence for thousands of years.

No error

39. With regard to interior decoration, it is the attention given to the less overt aspects of using space

(a)
that give it life, an identity, a quality
(b)

 $\frac{\text{that makes it exciting and unusual.}}{\text{(c)}} \quad \frac{\text{No error}}{\text{(d)}}$

40. A small parcel of novels is better than none. (b) $\frac{\text{deformance}}{\text{deformance}}$

 $\frac{\text{No error}}{\text{(d)}}$

Fill in the blanks

Directions: (Q. 41–50) Each of the following sentences in this section has a blank space and four words or group of words given after the sentence. Select the word or group of words you consider most appropriate for the blank space and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet accordingly.

41.	He looks as if he	weary.			
	(a) is	(b) was			
	(c) would be	(d) were			
42.	My house is insured (a) for	theft and fire.			
	(a) for	(b) against			
	(c) in	(d) towards			
43.	The result of the prolonged discussion was				
	(a) disappointment	(b) disappointing			
	(c) disappointed	(d) to disappoint			
44.	You are lucky	in the 20 th century.			
	(a) by being born	(b) to have been born			
	(c) for being born	(d) to have born			
45.	Sita is true to	•			
	(a) word	(b) her words			
	(c) the words				
46.	Years since (a) have passed	I saw her last.			
	(a) have passed	(b) had passed			
	(c) had been passing				
47.	When he heard the terrible noise he asked me				
	vhat was on.				
	(a) happening	(b) being			
	(c) getting				
48.	Could you lend me some money? I am very				
	of cash at the moment.				
		(b) low			
	• •	(d) scarce			
49.	I saw her when she w	as standing			
	the side of the old statue.				
	(a) by	(b) at (d) beyond			
-0	• •	(d) beyond			
50.		their loved ones			
	in adversity.				

(b) criticize

(d) desert



(a) abuse

(c) befool

Answers

Q No	Answer Key	Topic's Name	Chapter's Name
1	(d)	Synonym	Vocabulary
2	(c)	Synonym	Vocabulary
3	(c)	Synonym	Vocabulary
4	(d)	Synonym	Vocabulary
5	(b)	Synonym	Vocabulary
6	(b)	Synonym	Vocabulary
7	(c)	Synonym	Vocabulary
8	(a)	Synonym	Vocabulary
9	(d)	Synonym	Vocabulary
10	(b)	Synonym	Vocabulary
11	(b)	Antonym	Vocabulary
12	(d)	Antonym	Vocabulary
13	(a)	Antonym	Vocabulary
14	(c)	Antonym	Vocabulary
15	(c)	Antonym	Vocabulary
16	(d)	Antonym	Vocabulary
17	(b)	Antonym	Vocabulary
18	(c)	Antonym	Vocabulary
19	(d)	Antonym	Vocabulary
20	(b)	Antonym	Vocabulary
21	(b)	Selecting Words	Grammar
22	(c)	Selecting Words	Grammar
23	(c)	Selecting Words	Grammar
24	(b)	Selecting Words	Grammar
25	(a)	Selecting Words	Grammar
26	(c)	Selecting Words	Grammar
27	(a)	Selecting Words	Grammar
28	(b)	Selecting Words	Grammar
29	(b)	Selecting Words	Grammar
30	(a)	Selecting Words	Grammar
31	(b)	Ordering of Sentences	Critical thinking
32	(c)	Ordering of Sentences	Critical thinking
33	(a)	Ordering of Sentences	Critical thinking
34	(c)	Ordering of Sentences	Critical thinking
35	(c)	Ordering of Sentences	Critical thinking
36	(d)	Spotting errors	Grammar
37	(a)	Spotting errors	Grammar
38	(a)	Spotting errors	Grammar
39	(b)	Spotting errors	Grammar
40	(d)	Spotting errors	Grammar

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Q No	Answer Key	Topic's Name	Chapter's Name
41	(a)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar
42	(b)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar
43	(b)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar
44	(b)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar
45	(b)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar
46	(a)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar
47	(d)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar
48	(c)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar
49	(a)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar
50	(d)	Fill in the blanks	Grammar