

Subject- English

Instruction:

- (i) All questions are compulsory.
- (ii) This question paper is divided into two parts - Part 'A' and Part 'B'.
- (iii) Part 'A' consists of multiple choice questions. Answer to these questions are to be marked on OMR sheet.
- (iv) Part 'B' consists of descriptive type questions.

Section-A

(Q.No. 1-3) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it.

The last half of my life has been lived in one of those painful epochs of human history during which the world is getting worse and past victories which had seemed to be definitive have turned out to be only temporary. When I was young, Victorian optimism was taken for granted would speed thought Torah ado more real Yom that nudge porous aperitif It was world by an orderly process, and it was hoped that cruelty, tyranny, and injustice would continually diminish.

1. **The author felt sad about the latter part of his life because:** 1
(a) He was nostalgic about his childhood
(b) The world had not become prosperous
(c) The author had not won any further victories
(d) The world was painfully disturbed during that period of time
2. **The victories of the past:** 1
(a) Brought permanent peace and prosperity
(b) Ended cruelty, tyranny and injustice
(c) Proved to be temporary events.
(d) Filled men with a sense of pessimism
3. **The word 'definitive' used in the passage means:** 1
(a) Defined (b) Final
(c) Temporary (d) Incomplete

(Q. 4-8) choose the correct options to answer the following :

4. **The doctor did not come..... the patient had died.** 1
(a) Unless (b) if (c) even (d) after
5. **The teacher beat the studenta stick.** 1
(a) By (b) with (c) under (d) through
6. **Rearrange the following word clusters to make meaningful sentence and choose the correct option:** 1
Reached hardly the started had rain I school when
(a) When I had hardly reached school, the rain started.
(b) The rain had hardly started when I reached school.
(c) I had hardly reached school when the rain started.
(d) When the rain had started, I hardly reached school. 1
7. **The teacher.....us grammar tomorrow.**
(a) teach (b) taught

- (c) will teach (d) will have taught
 8. Which of the following words is misspelt? 1
 (a) Immediately (b) Destroyed
 (c) Distinguished (d) Deprivation

(Q. No. 9-10) Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow.

But you can see from the documents, honoured Natalya Stepanovana, Oxen Meadows, it's true, were once the subject of dispute, but now everybody knows that they are mine. There's nothing to argue about. You see my aunt's grandmother gave the free use of these Meadows in perpetuity to the peasants of your father's grandfather, in return for which they were to make bricks for her. The peasants belonging to your father's grandfather had the free use of the Meadows for forty years, and had got into the habit of regarding them as their own, when it happened that....

9. Oxen Meadows was once: 1
 (a) Subject of dispute (b) the king's
 (c) Lomov's (d) all of the above
 10. The peasants had the use of the Meadows for: 1
 (a) ten years (b) twenty years
 (c) Thirty years (d) Forty years

(Q. No. 11-13) Based on your understanding of the prose lesson choose the correct option to answer the following questions.

11. The story "A Letter to God" belongs to 1
 (a) a farmer (b) a shopkeeper
 (c) a woodcutter (d) a blacksmith
 12. The decades of oppressions and exploitation of the blacks produced heroes like.....and.....
 (a) Tambo, Sisulu (b) Nelson Mandela, Zenani
 (c) Thabo Mbeki, Cyril Ramaphosa (d) All of the above
 13. Why did Lencho ask the God not to send the money through mail?
 (a) He did not want to come to the post office.
 (b) He thought the post office employees had stolen it.
 (c) post office was far away.
 (d) None of the above.

(Q. No. 14-15) Read the following extracts and answer the question that follow:

Has given my heart
 A change of mood
 And saved some part
 Of a day I had rued

14. What was the poet's mood in the above lines? 1
 (a) Happy (b) Sorrowful (c) Anguish (d) Nostalgic
 15. What was the effect of the fall of the Dust of Snow on the poet? 1
 (a) It changed a mood. (b) It changed his luck
 (c) It changed his car. (d) It changed his job.

(Q. No. 16-20) Based on your understanding of the lesson in the book 'Footprints without feet' choose the correct option to answer the following questions.

16. Mrs. Pumphery was a
 (a) poor lady (b) selfish lady
 (c) rich lady (d) gentle lady
17. Who was Tricki?
 (a) a cat (b) a monkey (c) a dog (d) a rabbit
18. Who is the narrator of the story "The Thief's Story"?
 (i) Ruskin Bond (ii) Anil (iii) Hari Singh (iv) Anil's friend
19. Who was watching a wrestling match?
 (a) The narrator (b) Hari Singh
 (c) Anil (d) None of these
20. Who was the thief in the story "The Thief's Story"?
 (a) Mangal Pandey (b) Hari Singh
 (c) Anil (d) Suresh

Section-B

21. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Happiness doesn't mean just to feel good. A review of hundreds of studies have found compelling evidence that happier people have better overall health and live longer than their less happy peers. Anxiety, depression, pessimism and a **lack** of enjoyment of daily activities have all been found to associated with higher rates of disease and shorter lifespan.

Having a network of social connections or high levels of social support has been shown to increase our immunity to infection, lower our risk of heart disease and reduce mental decline as we get older. Our emotions affect our long term well-being. Research shows that experiencing positive emotions in a 3-to-1 ratio with negative ones leads to a tipping point beyond which we naturally become more resilient to adversity and better able to achieve things.

Recent research has shown that an 8-week mindfulness meditation class can lead to structural brain changes including increased grey-matter density in the Hippocampus, known to be important for learning and memory and in structures associated with self-awareness, compassion and introspection. People who are optimistic tend to be happier, healthier and cope better in tough times. Our happiness influences the people we know and the people they know.

Happiness, and kindness are the products skills that can be learned and enhanced through training, thanks to the neuroplasticity of our brains.

- a) What are things that are associated with higher rates of disease and shorter lifespan? 2
- b) How do our social connections or high levels of social support help us? 2
- c) How does 8 week of mindfulness meditation can help us? 2

- d) Find the word in the passage which means the same as COMPASSION. 1
22. (a) Write a letter to your friend expressing your appreciation for his recently published book. 4
- Or
- (b) Write an application to the principal of your college requesting him to make better arrangements for games and sports in the college. (Do not write your Name and place)
23. (a) Write an article on 'Importance of Trees' in about 150-200 words: 6
- Or
- (b) Write an article on An Indian farmer in about 150-200 words.
24. (a) Change the following sentence into indirect speech. 2
Grandpa said, "I am going for a walk."
- (b) Change the following into passive voice. 2
She reprimanded the student
- (c) Punctuate the following using capital letters wherever necessary. 2
my brother said to me you should not waste your time on Sundays
- (d) Translate the following into English. 4
एक छोटी नदी की धार में बहती जा रही थी। वह किनारे आने के कोशिश कर रही थी, लेकिन आ नहीं पा रही थी। एक लोहे ने एक पत्ता तोड़कर पानी में डाल दिया। छोटी पत्ते पर बैठ गए और उसकी जान बच गई
25. Answer the following questions in 30-40 words. 6
- (a) How much money did Lencho need? How much did he get?
- Or
- What according to Mandela is "True Freedom"?
- (b) What did Nelson Mandela promise to his nation?
- Or What was the single hope for the family of Lencho?
26. Answer any one of the following in about 60 words: 4
- (a) Why did the postmaster send money to Lencho? Why did he sign the letter 'God'?
- (b) Who, according to Mandela, is not free?
27. Write four lines from any poem prescribed in your syllabus. 3
[Do not copy the lines from the question paper.]
28. Write the central idea of any one of the following poem: 3
- (a) A tiger in the zoo (b) Fire an ice (c) Dust of snow
29. Answer the following in 30-40 words 3
- (a) How did Mrs. Pumphery and her servants behave when Tricki was being taken away to the surgery?
- (b) Did Hari like working for Anil? Give reasons in support of your answer.
30. Answer the following in 60 words: 4
- (a) Who was Anil? How did he treat Hari Singh and how did it influence Hari's life?
- (b) How does Mrs. Pumphery spoil Tricki by pampering him too much.
