Time: 90 Minutes
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Sample Question Papers

Sample Question Paper

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General Instructions:

- (i) The Question Paper contains THREE sections.
 - *Section A READING* has 18 questions. Attempt a total of 14 questions, as per specific instructions for each question.
 - **Section B WRITING SKILLS** has 12 questions. Attempt a total of 10 questions, as per specific instructions for each question.
 - *Section C LITERATURE* has 30 questions. Attempt 26 questions, as per specific instructions for each question.
- (ii) All questions carry equal marks.
- (iii) There is no negative marking.

READING

I. Read the passage given below:

Donated Organs and their Transportation

- (1) Once an organ donor's family gives its consent and the organs are matched to a recipient, medical professionals are faced with the onerous challenge of transporting organs while ensuring that the harvested organ reaches its destination in the shortest possible time. This is done in order to preserve the harvested organs which involves the police especially the traffic police department.
- (2) The traditional method of transporting organs by road is referred to as a "green corridor". The first green corridor in India was created by Chennai Traffic Police in September 2008 when they accomplished their task of enabling an ambulance to reach its destination within 11 minutes during peak hour traffic. That organ saved a nine-year-old girl whose life depended on the transplant. Similarly, such green corridors have been created by traffic police of various cities such as Pune, Mumbai, Delhi NCR, etc.
- (3) Experts point out the lack of a robust system to transport organs to super-speciality hospitals in least possible time. National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation (NOTTO), the country's apex organ donation agency, is now framing a proposal to airlift cadaver organs and will send a report to the Union Health Ministry. "Cadaver organs have a short life and so transplant should be done within a few golden hours." Director (NOTTO) expressed, "Therefore, we are preparing a proposal for airlifting organs at any given moment."
- (4) Most states do not have enough well-trained experts to retrieve or perform transplant procedures. Also, there is an acute shortage of advanced healthcare facilities to carry out a transplant. So, it is referred to

other big centres in metropolitan cities. Organs retrieved from Aurangabad, Indore, Surat and Pune are sent to Mumbai as these cities do not have super-speciality healthcare centres and informed officials.

(5) "In India, about fifty thousand to one lakh patients are suffering from acute heart failure and need heart transplant at any point of time. In a private set-up, a heart transplant costs ₹ 15-20 lakhs, which is followed up by postoperative medication of about ₹ 30,000 per month lifelong." Moreover, the risk factor is a great hindrance.

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer <u>any eight</u> out of the ten questions by choosing the correct option.

Q.1.	The first green corridor in India was created in:		
	(A) New Delhi	(B) Chennai	
	(B) Mumbai	(D) Pune	
Q.2.	• The onerous task that the author is talking about in para 1 is:		
	(A) finding organ donors.		
	(B) finding doctors capable of performing transplants.		
	(C) to carry the harvested organ in the shortest possible time.		
	(D) to arrange the requisite facilit	ies for the transplant.	
Q.3.	Most of the people do not go for t	he heart transplant as:	

- (A) it is very risky.
- **(B)** it is very painful.
- **(C)** it may cause death of the recipient.
- **(D)** the cost is prohibitive.
- Q.4. Most states refer organ transplant cases to big hospitals because:
 - (A) they don't have well trained experts.
 - **(B)** the patients don't trust local doctors.
 - **(C)** the state hospitals are very crowded.
 - **(D)** they don't have a pool of harvested organs.
- **Q.5.** Apart from Chennai, where were other green corridors created?
 - (A) Delhi NCR

(B) Pune

(C) Mumbai

- **(D)** All of the above
- **Q.6.** How much does a heart transplant cost a patient in a private hospital?
 - (A) Rs. 15-20 lakhs

(B) Rs. 20 lakhs

(C) Rs. 20-25 lakhs

- (D) None of these
- **Q.7.** Pick out the word/phrase from the passage which is similar in meaning to 'save' (Para 1).
 - (A) Onerous

(B) Preserve

(C) Harvest

- (D) Retrieve
- Q.8. Pick out the word/phrase from the passage which is opposite in meaning to 'destructed' (Para 2).
 - (A) Accomplished

(B) Created

(C) Transplanted

(D) Advanced

Q.9. What is meant by the word 'retrieve' (Para 4).

(A) Get back

(B) Recover

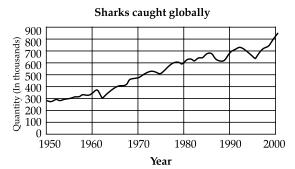
(C) Set right (D) Regain

- **Q.10.** The organisation which is framing a proposal to airlift Cadaver organs is:
 - (A) Union Health Ministry
 - (B) Regional Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation
 - (C) National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation
 - (D) State Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation

AI II. Read the passage given below:

(1) Andy Dehart is a shark expert and TV presenter who lives in the United States of America. He has had a lifelong interest in sharks and is always trying to look for ways to educate the public about them. Many people think that sharks have little or no intelligence, but Andy points out that recent studies have

shown that many shark species possess powerful problem-solving abilities and social skills. "Sharks do not want to attack humans," he asserts. "There is no shark species that eats humans as part of its regular diet. In most shark attack cases, the shark leaves after realising that it has mistakenly bitten a human and not its intended prey."



- (2) In Andy's opinion, all shark fishing should be stopped until the shark populations have had time to grow again. We then need to do a better job of managing the fishing of sharks. However, even if the direct fishing of sharks is stopped, many will still be killed when they are caught up in the nets of boats fishing for other species of fish.
- (3) When Andy was a boy, his father worked for a national oceanic organisation, and Andy travelled with him all over the Caribbean. He grew up by the coast and he has been connected with the sea for as long as he can remember. He also lived near one of the best aquariums in America. Andy then went on to build a career working with sharks in an aquarium environment. More recently, he has been involved with television and the making of programmes about the sharks.
- (4) Andy and his wife had their first child two years ago. They were amused and amazed to see to what extent their work with animals has proved to be useful in bringing up their daughter. They know how to observe her behaviour and teach her how to do things by rewarding her.
- (5) Andy loves sharks and is very passionate about their survival and protection. He feels extremely lucky to have had opportunities working at the National Aquarium and the television station which presents the Nature Channel. He never wastes a moment in either place that could be spent educating people about sharks. He does admit that it is probably not possible for everyone to love sharks as he does. However, he does hope to persuade people personally or through the media to respect sharks and the critical role they play in our environment. His main objective is to keep spreading awareness that sharks are not dangerous man-eaters but essential creatures in our oceans, as they provide ecological balance and help to control other species.

Based on your understanding of the passage, answer <u>any six</u> out of the eight questions by choosing the correct option.

- Q.11. How can it be proved that many shark species are intelligent?
 - (A) Their problem solving and social skills
 - **(B)** Their social skills
 - **(C)** Eating humans and their immediate realization humans
 - **(D)** Their oceanic organisation
- Q.12. Why does Andy believe that sharks only attack humans by mistake?
 - (A) They don't eat humans as a part of their diet.
 - **(B)** They leave after realising that it has mistakenly bit humans.
 - **(C)** Human is not its intended prey.
 - (D) All of these
- Q.13. How did Andy's work help him when bringing up his daughter?
 - (A) He know how to teach her things by rewarding her.
 - **(B)** He taught her by reprimanding her.
 - **(C)** He taught her to observe behaviour of others.
 - (D) Connection of animals to the daughter's keenness.
- Q.14. According to the graph, how many sharks were caught in 1990?
 - **(A)** 650,000

(B) 700,000

(C) 700

(D) 800

Q.15.	How does Andy hope to educate p	people about sharks?
	(A) Through his work at the Natio	onal Aquarium
	(B) Through the media	
	(C) Through the Nature Challeng	e
0.16	(D) All of these	
Q.16.	Even after the ascending frend, in same?	which year the number of number of sharks caught remained the
	(A) 1970	(B) 1975
	(C) 1980	(D) 1985
O 17	How long has Andy been interested	• •
Q.17.	(A) Lifelong	(B) Since he was a boy
	(C) Both (A) and (B)	(D) Neither (A) nor (B)
O.18.	What is the main objective of And	
2.10.	(A) Build a career working with sl	
	(B) Keep spreading awareness that	<u> </u>
	(C) Sharks are the essential creatu	res in our oceans
	(D) Both (B) and (C)	
	Г	WIDITING
	L	WRITING
III.	Answer any four out of the five qu	estions given below.
Q.19.	What is the word limit of the Notice	ce?
	(A) 50 words	(B) 100 words
	(C) 20 words	(D) No word limit
Q.20.	Notice is always enclosed in a	
	(A) parcel	(B) picture
	(C) box	(D) paper
AI Q	.21. Which of the following Classific	ed Advertisement is written by a person in need of a job?
	(A) Situation Vacant	(B) To-let
	(C) Accommodation Wanted	(D) Situation Wanted
Q.22.	What is the word limit of a Classifi	ed Advertisement?
	(A) 100	(B) 75
	(C) 50	(D) 120
Q.23.	What are the features of a Classifie	ed Advertisement?
	(A) Simple presentation	(B) Not bulky
	(C) Least possible words	(D) All of the above
IV.	Answer <u>any six</u> of the seven ques	tions given below.
	While reading about new places	and searching for them online has its merits, the advantages of
		far exceed them. Write an article in 120-150 words for the magazine
		ns. You may use the cues given below along with your own ideas
You a	re Amrit/ Amrita.	
	Builds confidence	
	Make friends and memories	
	Experience new cultures	
	 Expands knowledge 	(0.1)
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your	stressful situation. (27)	places is immersing. Travel allows you to escape from Seeing other parts of the world and immersing yourself in
ioreig	n cultures opens up completely ne	w avenues of discovery.

(28) _	, and can open your eyes in	ways you never thought possible. When you are out on		
the ro	oad meeting new people and opening up to r	new experiences, you may find that you are also slowly		
		oors and provide for so many adventures, both planned		
	pontaneous.			
from	ng said that, travelling as a (29)	may sometimes take the form of running away of homesickness at some point. Life at home will go on		
		coments you would have yearned to be present at. Travel		
	lso be extremely expensive putting an unnece			
		3 · · · ·		
~	(A) Online travel has its merits	(B) World – Better to Travel or To Read About		
	(C) by - Amrit	(D) Travel Times		
O.25.				
~	(A) Online travel has its merits	(B) World – Better to Travel or To Read About		
	(C) by - Amrit	(D) Travel Times		
Q.26.				
	(A) boring	(B) simple		
	(C) hectic	(D) exotic		
Q.27.				
	(A) Travel is a learning experience	(B) Travelling is a learning enrichment.		
	(C) Travel is a life-time achievement.	(D) Travelling is a learning expenditure.		
Q.28.		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
	(A) Travel in itself can be education.	(B) Travelling in thyself can be educating.		
	(C) Travel in itself can be educational.	(D) Travel in thyself can be edutainment.		
Q.29.		•		
	(A) ways of escape	(B) means of escapism		
	(C) ways of escapism	(D) means of escape		
Q. 30	. Travel can also be extremely expensive putting	ng an unnecessary		
	(A) sprain on the purse	(B) strength of the purse		
	(C) strain on the purse	(D) depth of the purse		
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	LITE	RATURE		
This	section has sub-sections: V, VI, VII, VIII, IX.	There are a total of 30 questions in the section.		
Atten	npt <u>any 26</u> questions from the sub-sections V	to IX.		
V. I	Read the given extract to attempt questions th	nat follow:		
		lesk. Not till then, when I had got a little over my fright,		
	did I see that our teacher had on his beautiful green coat, his frilled shirt and the little black silk cap, all			
	embroidered, that he never wore except on inspection and prize days.			
Q.31. Why did Franz sit quickly at his desk?				
(A) He was embarrassed when everyone noticed him coming late to the class.				
(B) He was scared that M. Hamel might get angry and punish him.				
	(C) He wanted to settle down before the	e lesson began.		
	(D) All of the above.			
Ç	Q.32. Owing to his fright, what couldn't be no	-		
	(A) M. Hamel's powerful voice.	(B) M. Hamel's confident demeanour.		
	(C) M. Hamel being over-dressed.	(D) M. Hamel looking old and tired.		
Ç	•	ed clothes that he wore only on special occasions?		
	(A) He was enjoying uninterrupted teach	hing. (B) All the old villagers were present in his class.		

 $\textbf{(D)} \ \text{Germans were visiting their school}.$

(C) He was delivering his last lesson.

- Q.34. What transformation did Franz find in his class, even before entering it?
 - (A) The class was absolutely clean.
 - **(B)** There were not many people present in the school.
 - **(C)** The class was occupied by the villagers instead of the students.
 - **(D)** The class was silent without any chaos.
- **Q.35.** Why was little Franz frightened?
 - (A) He was late for the class.
 - **(B)** There were soldiers in the class.
 - (C) He had PTM that day.
 - (D) M. Hamel seemed to be very angry that day.

AI VI. Read the given extract to attempt questions that follow:

Sometimes, I think Grand Central is growing like a tree, pushing out new corridors and staircases like roots. There's probably a long tunnel that nobody knows about feeling its way under the city right now, on its way to Times Square and maybe another to Central Park. And maybe — because for so many people through the years Grand Central has been an exit, a way of escape — maybe that's how the tunnel I got into... But I never told my psychiatrist friend about that idea.

- **Q.36.** The above extract is NOT an example of ...
 - (A) allegory

(B) analogy

(C) imagery

- (D) metaphor
- **Q.37.** Charley decided not to tell his psychiatrist friend about his idea. Choose the option that reflects the reaction Charley anticipated from his friend.
 - (A) "That's such a lovely comparison. Why don't you become a writer, Charley?"
 - (B) "Oh Charley. It is so sad to see your desperation to run away! So very sad."
 - (C) "Maybe that's how you entered the third level. Who would have thought?!"
 - (D) "You need help, my raving friend. You are way too invested in this crazy thought!"
- Q.38. Look at the given image that lists some of the ways in which the symbolism of a tree is employed.



Which of the following would represent an example as used by Charley in the above extract?

- **(A)** 'Stay grounded' as the train station is underground.
- **(B)** 'Connect with your roots' as he desires to go back to his past.
- (C) 'Enjoy the view' as the station leads to all tourist sights of the city.
- **(D)** 'Keep growing' as the station keeps renovating and expanding.
- **Q.39.** The idiom 'feeling its way' implies movement.
 - (A) swift

(B) tentative

(C) circular

(D) disorganized

- **Q.40.** The tone of the speaker in the above extract is:
 - (A) apprehensive

(B) confident

(C) optimistic

(D) pessimistic

VII. Read the given extracts and answer the questions that follow:

Driving from my parent's

home to Cochin last Friday

morning, I saw my mother,

beside me.

doze, open mouthed, her face

ashen like that

of a corpse and realized with pain

that she was as old as she

looked but soon

put that thought away...

- **Q.41.** Choose the option that best applies to the given extract.
 - (1) A conversation

(2) An argument

(3) A piece of advice

(4) A strategy

(5) A recollection

(6) A suggestion

(A) 1,3 & 6

(B) 2, 4 & 5

(C) Only 5

- (D) Only 1
- Q.42. Choose the book title that perfectly describes the condition of the poet's mother.

Title 1	Title 2	Title 3	Title 4
You're Only Old	The Gift of Years	Somewhere	The Book You Wish
Once!	(-) by Joan Chittister	Towards the End	Your Parents Had
(-) by Dr. Seuss		(-) by Diana Athill	Read
-		-	(-) by Philippa Perry

(A) Title 1

(B) Title 2

(C) Title 3

- **(D)** Title 4
- **Q.43.** Choose the option that applies correctly to the two statements given below.

Assertion: The poet wards off the thought of her mother getting old quickly.

Reason: The poet didn't want to confront the inevitability of fate that was to dawn upon her mother.

- (A) Assertion can be inferred but the Reason cannot be inferred.
- **(B)** Assertion cannot be inferred but the Reason can be inferred.
- **(C)** Both Assertion and Reason can be inferred.
- **(D)** Both Assertion and Reason cannot be inferred.
- Q.44. Choose the option that displays the same literary device as in the given lines of the extract.

her face

ashen like that

of a corpse...

- (A) Just as I had this thought, she appeared and...
- **(B)** My thoughts were as heavy as lead that evening when ...
- **(C)** I think like everyone else who...
- (D) I like to think aloud when ...
- Q.45. Which of the following displays the same literary device as in 'her face ashen like that of a corpse'?
 - (A) The grandmother's sand papery voice.
 - (B) Her silver locks were scattered untidily over her pale, puckered face and her lips constantly moved in inaudible prayer.

(C) She was like the winter landscape in the mountains, an expanse of pure white serenity breathing peace and contentment. (D) I saw my mother, beside me, doze, open mouthed

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	(b) I saw my momen, beside me, doze, open m	iou	ilea.
VIII.	Read the given extract to attempt questions that fo	ollo	w:
ti v v ti	Have you ever been there? It's a wonderful town remendous trees whose branches meet overhead a vere twice as long, and people sat out on their law women waving palm-leaf fans, with the fire-flies all he First World War still twenty years off, and World ickets for that.	nd r ns, tl aro	oof the streets. And in 1894, summer evenings he men smoking cigars and talking quietly, the und, in a peaceful world. To be back there with
Ç	Q.46. 'You' here refers to:		
	(A) Charley's psychiatrist, Sam Weiner		
	(B) Charley's wife, Louisa		
	(C) The reader		
	(D) Nobody in particular, it is a figure of speed	ch.	
Ç	$oldsymbol{2.47.}$ Choose the option that best describes the society	ety 1	represented in the above extract.
	(A) Satisfied, non-violent	(B)	Relaxed, emotional
	(C) Conventional, upper class	(D) Calm, antique
Ç	Q.48. What kind of a description is given by the wri	ter i	n this paragraph?
	(A) Traditional	(B)	Vivid picturesque
	(C) Grotesque	(D) Emotional
Ç	$oldsymbol{2.49.}$ "the women waving palm-leaf fans, with the $oldsymbol{6}$	ire-	lies all around" is NOT an example of :
	(i) Imagery	(ii)	Allusion
	(iii) Alliteration	(iv) Anachronism
	(A) Options (i) and (ii)	(B)	Options (i) and (iii)
	(C) Options (ii) and (iii)	(D	Options (ii) and (iv)
Ç	Q.50. Why was Charley fascinated by Galesburg?		
	(A) It had beautiful landscape.		
	(B) It had exotic beaches.		
	(C) That was his escape from the troublesome	wo	rld.
	(D) His old friends had settled there.		
ĄΙ	IX. Attempt the following.		
Q.51.	'So blot their maps with slums as big as doom'.		
	What does the poet show through this expression	?	
	(A) Obstacles on the path of progression.		
	(B) Study of the minor areas located on the map.		
	(C) Big maps show perfect images.		
	(D) Poet's protest against social injustice and ineq	uali	ties.
AI Q	.52. Which of the following lines from the poem, 'M	y M	other at Sixty Six', direct towards human's dual
	coping mechanism of denial and escape?		
	(A) but soon	(B)	doze, open mouthed, her face
	put that thought away		ashen like that
			of a corpse
	(C) Trees sprinting, the merry children spilling	(D) but after the airport's

out of their homes security check, standing a few yards away, I looked again at her Q.53. The imprisoned minds and lives of the slum children can be released from their ______ if they are made familiar with the outer world.

(A) depression (B) oppression (C) suppression (D) extraction

Q.54.	'She still has bangles on her wrist, but no light in her eyes.' This indicates that:				
	(A) though she is married, she has no fascination.				
	(B) though she is a married woman, she doesn't o	though she is a married woman, she doesn't dress up like one.			
	(C) though she is married, her eyes are bereft of h	(C) though she is married, her eyes are bereft of happiness.			
	(D) she is a married woman who has lost her eyes	sight.			
Q.55.	The wars have no survivors. Why?				
	(A) Wars are fought for personal gains.				
	(B) Wars are fought with latest weapons.				
	(C) During the wars, loss of life is experienced by	both winning as well as losing si	de.		
	(D) Wars are fought on land, air and water.				
Q.56.	Cause of the war: social, political and religious pro	oblems.			
	Solution to the problem: self-introspection				
	Conclusion:				
	(A) keeping quiet	(B) united people			
	(C) making an appeal	(D) pleading to be one			
Q.57.	What questions arise due to the complication of the	ne situation in the poem, 'My Mo	ther at Sixty Six'?		
	(A) How to engage oneself in old age?				
	(B) How to take care of one's problems?				
	(C) How to drive fast?				
	(D) How to strike a balance between duties and re	1			
AI Q	.58. 'Deep Water' is an autobiographical account o	f the author's	at the swimming		
	pool.	(T) 1111 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1			
	(A) childhood achievement	(B) childhood misfortune			
	(C) miraculous victory	(D) lifetime achievement			
HTI Q	.59. Sadao felt that he got his reward as a doctor w		·		
	(A) the prisoner could escape	(B) he got recognition from the	government		
	(C) his servants returned back to his place	(D) his wife appreciated him			
Q.60.	Sadao changed his mind when the assassins did n	ot come. So he decided			
	(A) to kill the prisoner himself				
	(B) to help him escape				
	(C) to hand him over to the police				
	(D) to send him to India				

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Solution of Question Paper

- 1. Option (B) is correct.
- Option (C) is correct. 2.
- 3. Option (B) is correct.
- 4. Option (A) is correct.
- 5. Option (D) is correct.
- 6. Option (A) is correct.
- 7. Option (B) is correct.
- 8. Option (B) is correct.
- 9. Option (C) is correct.
- 10.
- Option (C) is correct.
- 11. Option (A) is correct.
- **12.** Option (D) is correct.
- Option (A) is correct. 14. Option (B) is correct.

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- **15.** Option (D) is correct.
- 16. Option (A) is correct. **17.** Option (C) is correct.
- 18. Option (D) is correct.
- 19. Option (A) is correct.
- Option (C) is correct. 20.
- 21. Option (D) is correct.
- 22. Option (C) is correct.
- 23. Option (D) is correct.
- 24. Option (B) is correct.
- 25. Option (C) is correct.
- 26. Option (D) is correct.
- 27. Option (A) is correct.
- 28. Option (C) is correct.
- 29. Option (D) is correct.
- 30. Option (C) is correct.
- 31. Option (D) is correct.

Explanation: Franz was embarrassed as he had come late. He also knew that teacher might punish him so he jumped up and sat down quickly.

Option (C) is correct. 32.

> Explanation: Owing to his fear, Franz could not see the change in the dress worn by M. Hamel.

Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: M. Hamel had to deliver his last lesson, so he had worn that dress which he used to wear on special occasions.

34. Option (D) is correct.

> Explanation: When Franz entered the classroom he found the class silent unlike other days.

Option (A) is correct. 35.

> *Explanation:* He was late as he was always casual about reaching school on time.

Option (A) is correct. 36.

> Explanation: Allegory means a story, poem or picture that can be interpreted to reveal a hidden meaning, typically a moral or political one.

37. Option (D) is correct.

> Explanation: He thought that psychiatrist friend would make fun of him.

38. Option (D) is correct.

> Explanation: Growth in terms of expansion.

39. Option (B) is correct.

> Explanation: Tentative- not certain or fixed; provisional.

40. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: Charley was doubtful about his moves and also speculative about his future.

41. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: It is recalling an incident from past memories.

42. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: Some last years/ moments of the life of poet's mother.

43. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: Some truths are hard to accept and believe, as parting from our loved ones.

44. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: Simile

45. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: Simile

46. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: The narrator is trying to involve the readers in the story to have a lasting impression.

47. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: The line that proves this is – 'the men smoking cigars and talking quietly, the women waving palm-leaf fans'.

48. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: Clear and detailed description, a picture can be formed with words.

49. Option (D) is correct.

Explanation: No referential comparison done; no archaic words used here.

50. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: Charley wanted to go there to escape from insecurity, fear, war, worry and tension of the modern world.

51. Option (D) is correct.

Explanation: Slums are like blots on the map of a civilized world as they indicate poverty and class inequality.

52. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: The poet compares her dozing pale mother to a corpse and this almost reflexive comparison that the poet makes in her head culminates in the brutal realization that her source of life had actually aged and become old. But before the poet could even complete this painful train of thought, she brushed it aside, not allowing this realization to get processed.

53. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: Oppression means harassment.

54. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: She has not enjoyed even one full meal in her entire lifetime. Her husband, an old man says, "I know nothing except bangles. All I have done is make a house for the family to live in."

55. Option (C) is correct.

Explanation: The winning as well as the losing side lose their people and those who survive may also undergo trauma or guilt.

56. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: Self-introspection will bring people together.

57. Option (D) is correct.

Explanation: To fulfil the demands of one's career, one has to part away from the old parents and thus, feel helpless not being able to perform one's responsibilities at the home-front.

58. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: In this chapter, he tells us how as a young boy, he was nearly drowned in the swimming pool. Thereafter, he feared water so much that he avoided it whenever he could.

59. Option (A) is correct.

Explanation: The doctor felt rewarded after saving the soldier's life as a sincere doctor and helping him to escape.

60. Option (B) is correct.

Explanation: When the General's men did not come to kill the American, Sadao decided to save his life. Dr. Sadao gave his boat to the young soldier, arranged food for him and provided him valuable information which helped him to escape successfully. This is how Sadao helped the American soldier flee and thereby, saved his life.