STATE LEVEL SSLC PREPARATORY EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY / MARCH — 2023

ಸಂಕೇತ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : **31-E**   Code No. : **31-E**

ವಿಷಯ : ದ್ವಿತೀಯ ಭಾಷೆ – ಇಂಗ್ಲಿಷ್

Subject : Second Language — ENGLISH

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ಸಮಯ : ಬೆಳಗ್ಗೆ 10-30 ರಿಂದ ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 1-30 ರವರೆಗೆ]   [Time : 10-30 A.M. to 1-30 P.M.

ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಅಂಕಗಳು : 80]   [Max. Marks : 80

General Instructions to the Candidate :

1. This Question Paper consists of objective and subjective types of 38 questions.

2. Follow the instructions given against both the objective and subjective types of questions.

3. Figures in the right hand margin indicate maximum marks for the questions.

4. The maximum time to answer the paper is given at the top of the question paper. It includes 15 minutes for reading the question paper.

I. *Four* alternatives are given for each of the following questions / incomplete statements. Only one of them is correct or most appropriate. Choose the correct alternative and write the complete answer along with its letter of alphabet.   4 × 1 = 4

1. Choose the appropriate question tag and fill in the blank :

    Pandit Ravi Shankar and Ustad Allah Rakha played for the boy, ... ?

    (A) didn't they   (B) doesn't he

    (C) did they   (D) does he

2. Read the following conversation and choose the language function for the underlined sentence :

    Megha   : Hello Rachana. How are you ?

    Rachana : I am fine.

    Megha   : <u>What is your score in the NEET</u> ?

    Rachana : I have scored 590 marks.

    Megha   : Good score. Best of luck.

    (A) Giving information   (B) Getting information

    (C) Asking permission   (D) Giving permission

3. Read the given conversation and fill in the blank choosing the most appropriate words :

    Prakash : Did you play the cricket yesterday ?

    Suresh   : No. I didn't. If I had played, I .... won the match.

    (A) will   (B) would

    (C) will have   (D) would have

4. Read the following and choose the infinitive :

    The parents fulfilled his every need and gave whatever he asked for. And now he was asking to go to the concert.

    (A) fulfilled   (B) gave

    (C) asked   (D) to go

II. Do as directed :   12 × 1 = 12

5. Which one of the following words has two syllables ?

    bench, batch, beauty, birth

6. Combine the word in **Column-A** with its collocative word in **Column-B :**

    'A'   **'B'**

    land   [leader, bearer, seller, lord]

7. Fill in the blank using the correct article :

    The bank manager advised me to open .... S.B. Account in his branch.

8. Fill in the blank using suitable linker :

    This is the school .... I studied sixth and seventh standard.

9. Fill in the blank with appropriate preposition :

    We get common salt .... the sea.

10. Fill in the blank with appropriate tense form of the verb given in brackets :

    India .... (*get*) freedom in 1947.

11. Identify the part of speech of the underlined word :

    The king decided to marry the beggar because all the courtiers praised her *beauty*.

12. Write the correct form of the word given in brackets :

    Cricket is a .... (*glory*) game.

13. Use the word 'play' as noun in a sentence.

14. Change into comparative degree :

    No other city in Karnataka is as beautiful as Mysore.

15. Change into passive voice :

    The chief guest is distributing the prizes.

16. Read the following conversation and change the underlined sentence into reported speech :

    Vishal : Hi Vasant. Where are you ?

    Vasant : *I am at my home now.*

    Vasant replied ....

[Turn over

III. The following paragraph has *two* errors. Edit the paragraph and rewrite it in the answer book :   1 × 2 = 2

17. Mr. Vishwanath is an engineer. He comes to the office in time and works sincerely. He loves all and lives happy.

  a) Verbal mistake to be corrected

  b) Adverbial mistake to be corrected.

IV. Answer the following questions in 2 – 3 sentences each :   7 × 2 = 14

18. Why didn't Don Anselmo sell the trees ?

19. How do you say that Ambedkar had a great thirst for books ?

20. How do you say that Anant was better than Smita in many ways ?

21. Why were the technical experts summoned by the three powers ?

22. Why are calendars and clocks useless in space according to the poet ?

23. How was the students' march in Narayanpur ?

OR

Why did Dicky Dolma decide to climb the lofty mountains ?

24. How does the writer describe the introvert Hanif ?

OR

Why did Wangjia go in search of the bird ?

V. Answer the following questions in 5 – 6 sentences each :   2 × 3 = 6

25. How can you say that Satish Gujral became popular all over the world ?

26. Describe the physical appearance of the Jazz player.

VI. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow :   4 × 3 = 12

27. "If you do it, I'll make you the laughing stock of your school."

  a) Who is the speaker here ?

  b) Who does 'you' refer to ?

  c) What does 'it' stand for ?

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28. "I think it's astonishing that a stranger would jump off a train and risk his life for me."

    a)   Who does 'I' refer to ?

    b)   Who is 'stranger' here ?

    c)   How did the stranger save the speaker ?

29. "The captain is always furious when he hears it."

    a)   Who is the speaker ?

    b)   Who does the 'captain' refer to ?

    c)   What does 'it' stand for ?

30. "Then we kissed the little maiden and we spake in better cheer."

    a)   Who does the 'little maiden' refer to ?

    b)   Who does 'we' refer to ?

    c)   Why did they kiss the little maiden ?

VII. Given below is a profile. Write a paragraph using the clues given below :

                                                                    1 × 3 = 3

31. Name   :   Dr. Mutturaj

     Date of birth   :   6th June, 1980

     Place   :   Sindagi

     Qualification   :   MBBS. MD.

     Profession   :   Doctor

     Family   :   Wife, a son and a daughter

     Hobbies   :   Playing cricket, writing poems

     Popularity   :   Treats the patents and charges less. Known as the relative of the poor !
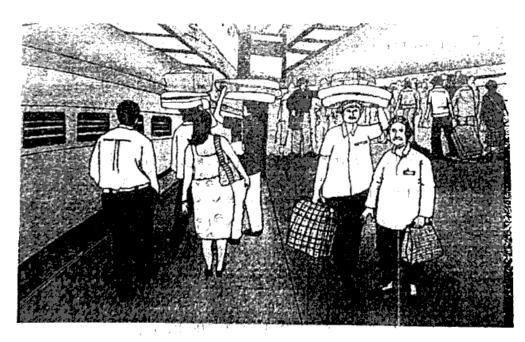
VIII. Develop the story using the clues given below : 1 × 3 = 3

32. Once a king wanted to appoint the best advisor for him — announced — came six persons — gave them a task — to collect the real information of his rule — good and bad — a week after — the first five — presented the good works of the king — awarded them a gold coin each — the king praised them — sixth one presented the true things — good and bad — told the fact — king — happy — appointed him the advisor of the king.

IX. Study the picture given below :

33. Write a description or an account of what the picture suggests to you in a paragraph. 1 × 3 = 3

Alternative question for Visually impaired candidates only. (In lieu of Q. No. 33)

Use the following phrasal verbs in sentences of your own : 1 × 3 = 3

a) bring up

b) go on

c) switch on.

X.   **Quote from memory :**   1 × 4 = 4

34.   The throned monarch.............................

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.... fear of kings ;

OR

O say what is that ....

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.... poor blind boy !

XI.   **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :**

1 × 4 = 4 (2 × 2)

35.   Govinda the great Sikh teacher, sat on the bank of the river Jamuna, reading scriptures. There came his disciple Raghunath, proud of his immense wealth bowed him and said, "I have brought my poor present unworthy of your acceptance." Thus saying he displayed before the teacher, a pair of gold bangles wrought with costly stones.

The teacher took one of them, twirling it round his finger and the diamonds darted shafts of light. Suddenly it slipped from his hand and rolled down the bank into the river.

Alas ! Screamed Raghunath and jumped into the river.

The teacher set his eyes upon his book, and the water held and hid what it stole and went its way.

The day light faded when Raghunath came back to the teacher, tired and dripping. He panted and said, "I can still get it back if you show me where it fell." The teacher took up the remaining bangle and throwing it into the river said, "It is there".

a)   Where did the teacher sit and why ?

b)   Why did Raghunath scream ?

XII. Answer the following question in about 8 – 10 sentences :

$1 \times 4 = 4$

36. "The poet's grandma was unique." Justify the statement.

OR

"You cannot put fence around the plannet earth." Describe with reference to the poem 'I am the Land'.

OR

How does the poet V. K. Gokak describe the brighter aspects of India ?

XIII. Write an essay on any *one* of the following : $1 \times 4 = 4$

37. (a)   Importance of Yoga

(b)   National Festivals

(c)   Air pollution.

XIV. Write a letter using the information given below : $1 \times 5 = 5$

38. Imagine that you are Prajwal / Prakruti studying in Government High School, Peerapur.

Write a letter to your friend inviting him / her for your school annual day function.

OR

Write a letter of the Panchayat Development Officer of your area, complaining about the bad roads and drains in your locality.