

# SECONDARY SCHOOL EXAMINATION - 2025

## ( ANNUAL )

प्रश्न पुस्तिका सेट कोड  
Question Booklet  
Set Code

**A**

## ENGLISH (COMPULSORY)

विषय कोड :

Subject Code :

कुल प्रश्न :  $100 + 11 = 111$

Total Questions :  $100 + 11 = 111$

(समय : 3 घंटे 15 मिनट)

[ Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes ]

कुल मुद्रित पृष्ठ : 40

Total Printed Pages : 40

( पूर्णांक : 100 )

[ Full Marks : 100 ]

### Instructions to the candidate :

1. Candidate must enter his/ her Question Booklet Serial No. (10 Digits) in the Old Answer Sheet.
2. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.
3. Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.
4. An extra time of 15 minutes has been allotted for the candidates to read the questions carefully.
5. This question booklet is divided into two sections — Section-A and Section-B.

**SECTION - A**  
**( Objective Type Questions )**

Question Nos. 1 to 100 have *four* options out of which only one is correct. You have to mark your selected option on the OMR Sheet.  
Out of 100 questions you have to attempt only 50 questions.

$$50 \times 1 = 50$$

**Instruction :** Question Nos. 1 to 60 are based on prescribed texts.

1. The author does not like to go to watch

(A) television

(B) theatre

~~(C) cinema~~

(D) rallies

2. Jim collects money only on

(A) Mondays and Wednesdays

~~(B) Tuesdays and Thursdays~~

(C) Saturdays and Sundays

(D) Fridays and Saturdays

3. The author was successful in ..... Gillu to sit near her plate.

~~(A) scolding~~

(B) training

(C) reprimanding

(D) holding

4. The Indian cinema needs an intelligent appreciation of the ..... of the medium.

(A) actions

~~(B) confusions~~

(C) limitations

(D) chaos

5. According to Alexander Aris, the suffering of the Burmese people has been

(A) ignored

(B) acknowledged

~~(C) heard but ignored~~

(D) heeded but ignored

6. The woman in 'Once Upon A Time' is the daughter of

~~(A) bureaucrats~~

(B) landlords

(C) slaves

(D) industrialists

7. Indian society has the capacity of

(A) revival

~~(B) hatred~~

(C) readjustment

(D) indifference

8. Malasha was ..... and so wanted to run away.

~~(A) happy~~

(B) frightened

(C) excited

(D) angry

9. Rapid movement does not give the real ..... of travel.

(A) knowledge

(B) pleasure

~~(C) pain~~

(D) dream

10. People are hardly concerned about

~~(A)~~ peace

(B) harmony

(C) ecology

(D) plantation

11. The squirrel was wounded terribly by the

(A) parrots

~~(B)~~ pigeons

(C) crows

(D) eagles

12. Children sometimes behave in a more ..... manner than adults.

(A) innocent

(B) rude

~~(C)~~ mature

(D) friendly

13. According to the poet, life holds out ..... to all.

~~(A)~~ bitter

(B) sour

(C) sweet

(D) spicy

14. .... please / pleases a simple and happy man.

(A) Memories

(B) Recreation

(C) Dreams

(D) Food

15. A polythene bag ..... when a little heat is applied.

(A) flies

(B) burns

(C) strikes

(D) melts

16. Vidyapati was influenced by the poetry of

~~(A) Jayadeva~~

(B) Jaishankar Prasad

(C) Harivansh Rai Bachchan

(D) Ramdhari Singh 'Dinkar'

17. 'The Empty Heart' highlights a great human weakness,

(A) Greed

~~(B) Anger~~

(C) Love

(D) Hatred

**A**  
18. The koel is restless to meet its

(A) friends

~~(B) sister~~

(C) lover

(D) parents

19. The porter is very

(A) fat

(B) stout

~~(C) frail~~

(D) sick

20. Who wrote the poem 'Martha'?

~~(A) D. H. Lawrence~~

(B) S. T. Coleridge

(C) T. S. Eliot

(D) Walter de la Mare

21. The koel hides behind the

(A) papaya-leaves

(B) guava-leaves

(C) mango-leaves

(D) neem-leaves

22. The porter is not at all afraid to challenge the

~~(A) wild animals~~

(B) mountains

(C) cold weather

(D) people

23. Martha's stories are about

(A) parents

(B) relationships

(C) folk songs

(D) supernatural beings

24. Radha's condition was

(A) irritating

(B) tolerable

~~(C) frustrating~~

(D) miserable

25. Halku did not want to be ..... by the landlord.

(A) scolded

(B) defeated

(C) insulted

(D) killed



26. Substances that cause allergy are called

(A) algae

~~(B) bacteria~~

(C) allergens

(D) virus

27. The bet was between the

~~(A) lawyer and doctor~~

(B) banker and teacher

(C) doctor and banker

(D) lawyer and banker

28. Mr. Gessler's boots never failed to

(A) impress

(B) satisfy

(C) fit

~~(D) succeed~~

29. 'There was nobody to look after .....

~~(A) Nellie~~

(B) the dining room

(C) Sun and Moon

(D) Minnie, the cook

30. The daughter cannot understand the reason behind her

(A) anger

~~(B) weariness~~

(C) sadness

(D) anxiety

31. The narrator's girlfriend was very

~~(A) cunning~~

(B) understanding

(C) calculating

(D) proud

32. Premchand's original name was

(A) Dhanpat Mishra

(B) Dhanpat Rai

(C) Dhanpat Yadav

(D) Dhanpat Singh

33. A person has to be exposed to a particular ..... to become allergic to it.

~~(A) protein~~

(B) antigen

(C) allergen

(D) symptom

34. Who wrote the story 'The Bet' ?

(A) John Galsworthy

~~(B) Premchand~~

(C) Anton Chekhov

(D) Rana S. Singh

35. Mr. Gessler was an exceptional \_\_\_\_\_

(A) doctor

(B) lawyer

~~(C) teacher~~

(D) shoe-maker

36. .... has made a very significant development over the years.

(A) Agriculture

(B) Painting

(C) Cinema

(D) Architecture

37. Who wrote the poem 'Koel' ?

~~(A) Laxmi Prasad Devkota~~

(B) William Cowper

(C) Alexander Pope

(D) Puran Singh

38. Man's ..... brought about his downfall in the poem 'The Empty Heart'.

(A) hunger

(B) education

~~(C) sleep~~

(D) greed

39. Environment gets ..... when leaves and other waste materials are burnt.

(A) dissolved

(B) disoriented

(C) cleared

(D) polluted

40. Martha's eyes were as tranquil as

~~(A) dreams~~

(B) feelings

(C) thoughts

(D) emotions

41. The Koel was ..... , yet charred.

~~(A) angry~~

(B) fresh

(C) dead

(D) mute

42. Who is the author of 'What is Wrong with Indian Films' ?

(A) Vidyapati

(B) Mahadevi Verma

(C) Satyajit Ray

(D) Puran Singh

43. 'Each with gold coins filled to the brim' — is from

(A) Koel

(B) The Sleeping Porter

~~(C) The Empty Heart~~

(D) Polythene Bag

44. Malasha's mother started shouting at Akoulya's

(A) father

(B) sister

(C) aunt

~~(D) mother~~

45. 'Concealed in the mango-leaves, thou singest !' — is from

- (A) The Empty Heart                      (B) Thinner Than a Crescent  
(C) Polythene Bag                      (D) Koel

46. The Indian masses and classes differ because of lack of

- ~~(A) hair~~                      (B) opportunity  
(C) food                      (D) dress

47. Jim wanted Mr. Johnson to walk for short distances and save

- (A) petrol                      (B) ecology  
(C) pollution                      (D) diesel

48. The porter is reigning over the kingdom of

- (A) fight                      ~~(B) sleep~~  
(C) tension                      (D) anger

49. In his poems, Walter de la Mare creates an atmosphere of
- (A) depression (B) gloom
- (C) mystery. (D) ecstasy
50. The rich man prayed to give him one more pot of
- ~~(A) gold~~ (B) iron
- (C) silver (D) copper
51. R. C. Hutchinson did not ..... the rapid movement of life.
- ~~(A) like~~ (B) hate
- (C) dislike (D) love
52. Aris, along with his mother wanted Burma to become ..... country.
- (A) a tyrannical (B) a dictator
- (C) a peaceful (D) a disturbed

53. 'Hours, days and years slide soft away' — is from

(A) Martha

~~(B) Koel~~

(C) The Empty Heart

(D) Ode on Solitude

54. It was earlier believed that the ..... were the earliest invaders of India.

(A) Turkish

(B) Greek

(C) Aryans

~~(D) Britishers~~

55. The daughter had never seen her mother

~~(A) smile~~

(B) weary

(C) laugh

(D) sleep



56. 'At times they banish hope and cease to care.' — is from

(A) Thinner Than a Crescent

~~(B) Koel~~

(C) Martha

(D) The Sleeping Porter

57. The poet does not want his ..... to be marked.

~~(A) grave~~

(B) dining room

(C) bedroom

(D) cottage

58. 'Fairies and gnomes stole out,

In the leaf-green light." — is from

(A) The Sleeping Porter

(B) The Empty Heart

(C) Koel

~~(D) Martha~~

59. Cinema commands the ..... accorded to any form of creative expression.

(A) respect

(B) competitiveness

~~(C) jealousy~~

(D) secrecy

60. 'In chariots and sedans, know no fatigue.' — is from

~~(A) God Made the Country~~

(B) Martha

(C) Ode on Solitude

(D) Koel

*Direction ( 61-67 ) : Choose the correctly spelt word :*

61. ~~(A) Spiritual~~

(B) Spirytuel

(C) Speertual

(D) Speuritel

62. ~~(A) Crimanal~~

(B) Creumynel

(C) Criminal

(D) Crieminal

63. (A) Asiungmant (B) Aesimengant  
(C) Assignment (D) Asiumgent
64. (A) Povearty (B) Poverty  
(C) Pueverty (D) Pioverty
65. (A) Desastir (B) Deastar  
(C) Disaster (D) Diustar
66. (A) Westernized (B) Wasteurnized  
(C) Wewstirnized (D) Waustirnized
67. (A) Frydom (B) Frieudom  
(C) Freedom (D) Freudium

Direction ( 68-73 ) : Choose the correct option of the following :

68. Indirect speech of : He said, "Where can I get a book ?"

is

(A) He asked where he could get a book

~~(B) He said as to where get a book~~

(C) He is saying to get to a book

(D) He says that where is the book

69. Indirect speech of : Rima said to Mohan, "Has your result come out ?"

is

~~(A) Rima says to Mohan if his result are out~~

(B) Rima asked Mohan if his result has come out

(C) Rima is asking Mohan if result is out

(D) Rima was saying to Mohan if results are out

70. Indirect speech of : Tarun said, "Please help me in trouble."

is

~~(A)~~ Tarun says to help him in trouble

(B) Tarun said that he wanted to help in trouble

(C) Tarun asked me to help him in trouble ✓

(D) Tarun requested to help him in trouble

71. Direct speech of : He asked me if I had posted the letter.

is

(A) He says, "Had you posted the letter ?"

~~(B)~~ He said to me, "Have you posted the letter ?"

(C) He enquired, "Have you posting the letter ?"

(D) He said, "Did you posted the letter ?"

72. Direct speech of : Sima said she wanted a new book.

is

(A) Sima said, "I want a new book."

(B) Sima says, "I am want a new book."

~~(C) Sima is saying, "I want a book which is new."~~

(D) Sima asked, "I wanted a new book."

73. Direct speech of : He advised me not to go out at night.

is

(A) He will say, "Have you gone out at night."

~~(B) He said, "Did you go out not at night."~~

(C) He says to me, "Don't going out at night."

~~(D) He said to me, "Don't go out at night."~~

Direction ( 74-80 ) : Choose the most suitable preposition :

74. Everybody is jealous ..... me.

(A) for

(B) by

(C) at

(D) of

75. Harish deals ..... sugar.

(A) at

(B) by

(C) in

(D) for

76. My grandmother came ..... train.

(A) by

(B) through

(C) on

(D) for

77. I have no use ..... it.

(A) of

(B) for

(C) at

(D) with

78. She was not familiar ..... the situation.

(A) with

(B) on

(C) by

(D) at

79. The police will suffer ..... their misdeeds.

(A) at

(B) for

(C) in

(D) though

80. Call me ..... an hour.

(A) on

(B) from

(C) in

(D) of



Direction ( 81-87 ) : Choose the correct form of verb :

81. Jai ..... the burglar entering his house.

(A) see

(B) saw

(C) have seen

(D) seeing

82. The teacher ..... the class yesterday.

(A) scolding

(B) scolded

(C) scold

(D) will scold

83. Stars ..... all night.

(A) shining

(B) shines

✓ (C) shine

(D) will shining

84. Anand usually ..... late from work.

(A) comes

(B) will coming

(C) come

(D) had come

85. I will be ..... for Chennai next week.

(A) leave

(B) leaving

(C) left

(D) was left

86. Yogesh promised that he ..... hard.

(A) would work

(B) did working

(C) has worked

(D) can work

87. Akbar ..... Urdu very well.

(A) speaking

(B) speak

(C) speaks

(D) spoken

Direction ( 88-91 ) : Choose the correct option of the following :

88. Choose the correct antonym of 'Urban' —

(A) Rustic

(B) Civil

(C) Rural

(D) Foreign

89. Choose the correct antonym of 'Hazy' —

(A) Plain

(B) Clear

(C) Light

(D) Dull

90. Choose the correct synonym of 'Regard' —

(A) Respect

(B) Love

(C) Liking

(D) Suspicion

91. Choose the correct synonym of 'Cease' —

(A) Begin

(B) Create

(C) Stop

(D) Dull

Direction ( 92-97 ) : Choose the correct option of the following :

92. Choose the active voice of : "Butter is made from milk by us."
- (A) We made butter from milk
- (B) We make butter from milk
- (C) We had make butter from milk
- (D) We has been making butter from milk
93. Choose the active voice of : "A new car has been bought by me."
- (A) I will buy a new car
- (B) I have bought a new car
- (C) I have buy a new car
- (D) I may have to buy a new car
94. Choose the active voice of : "Vegetarians should not be offered meat."
- (A) You should not offer meat to vegetarians
- (B) You must not offering meat to vegetarians
- (C) You cannot offer meat to vegetarians
- (D) You have not offer meat to vegetarians

95. Choose the passive voice of : "Shut the door and leave." .
- (A) Let the door be shut and you are ordered to leave
  - (B) Let the door be shutted and you are ordered to leave
  - (C) Let the door be shut and you be left
  - (D) Let the door shut and you are ordered to leave
96. Choose the passive voice of : "You must hit the nail on the head."
- (A) The nail must hit on the head
  - (B) The nail must be hit on the head
  - (C) The nail has to be hit on the head
  - (D) The nail on the head must be hit
97. Choose the passive voice of : "Have this lock broken."
- (A) Break this lock
  - (B) Get someone to break this lock
  - (C) Let this lock be broken
  - (D) Have broken this lock be

Direction ( 98-100 ) : Choose the most suitable translation :

98. वे लोग विद्यालय जा चुके हैं ।

- (A) They have gone to school
- (B) Those people has gone to school
- (C) They people go to school
- (D) That people have gone to school

99. नियमित रूप से अध्ययन करो ।

- (A) Studying regularly
- (B) Study regular
- (C) Regular studying
- (D) Study regularly

100. उसने मुझे सोया हुआ पाया ।

- (A) He find me asleep
- (B) He found me sleeping
- (C) He has found me asleep
- (D) He found me to sleep

**SECTION - B****( Descriptive Type Questions )**

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

One day the old emperor Shah Jahan became ill. His son Aurangzeb, who always wanted to be the emperor, put his father in a jail. Jahanara Begum, the eldest child of Shah Jahan, did not leave her father and went to jail along with him. She said, "I shall share the suffering of my father. He needs me in his old age, and I shall never leave him." Shah Jahan spent seven years in jail before dying. During that period, Princess Jahanara stayed there and took care of him. After the death of her father, she returned to her own palace and continued to live there till her death. Before her death, however, she gave away all she had to the needy and the poor. Upon

her death, Aurangzeb gave her the posthumous title : Sahibat-uz-Zamani (mistress of age).

Questions :

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| i) Who was the eldest child of Shah Jahan ?            | 1 |
| ii) What did Aurangzeb do when his father became ill ? | 2 |
| iii) Who decided to look after Shah Jahan and why ?    | 2 |
| iv) What did Jahanara do before her death ?            | 2 |

OR

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

Books are the chief carriers of civilization ; because of them, ideas live and spread. How important books are, is evident from the fact that hot countries are slow in becoming civilized. The most important reason is the presence of white ants. They live in tropics and eat up all the books. For example, in South America, there are practically no books, more than 40 or 50 years old, because of the ants. Where there are no books, there are no records and no