

Sl. No. :

013 (E)

(March, 2024)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

Instructions :

- 1) Write in a clear and legible handwriting.
- 2) This question paper contains FIVE sections : A, B, C, D and E.
- 3) All questions are compulsory.
- 4) Maintain the sequence of the answers.
- 5) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

SECTION - A

- Write whether the following sentences are true or false : [4]

- 1) A good example of the interaction between mind and body is exam nerves.
- 2) Strike against all ordinances and laws and institutions that continue the slaughter of peace and the cruelty of war.
- 3) Headache is essential for maintaining human relationship in working order.
- 4) The function of education, then, is to help you from teenage not to imitate anybody, but to be yourself all the time.

- Find and write the nearest meanings : [3]

- 5) Forbidden : not allowed, well-known, forgiving, notorious
- 6) Soccer : volleyball, hockey, football, chess
- 7) Barrier : hurdle, hide, dominate, suffocate

- Select the most appropriate language functions from the brackets and write them against the given sentences : [3]

(Alternative choice, Showing contrast, Expressing manner, Doer not important)

- 8) Prakash repaired his bicycle as the mechanic suggested.
- 9) We should felicitate the chief guest with either a momento or a bouquet.

10) However intelligent Shreya is, she does not get good marks in English.

■ **Select the most appropriate responses :**

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11) Principal : How does Mayur play in our cricket team?

PT teacher : _____
_____ (Showing supposition)

- (A) He plays well but he is absent today.
- (B) ✓ He plays as if he were Sachin Tendulkar.
- (C) He plays too slow to score more.
- (D) He ought to improve his batting.

12) Shilpa : What should I do to reduce my weight?

Daya : _____
_____ (Offering suggestion)

- ✓(A) You had better go for a walk everyday.
- (B) As soon as you reduce your weight, you will look beautiful.
- (C) My friend told me to reduce my weight.
- (D) Do as your mother suggests.

13) Teacher : Why were you absent yesterday?

Student : _____
_____ (Showing reason)

- (A) ✓ Though I started early, I did not reach on time.
- (B) I am used to riding my bicycle slow.
- (C) I did not come to school with a view to attending a marriage function.
- (D) As I was not well, I did not come to school.

14) Monisha : Grandma, were you playing Kho-Kho in your youth?

Grandma : _____
_____ (Past habit)

- (A) If we had tried hard, we would have won the Kho-Kho match.
- (B) You should play Kho-Kho at your teenage.



- (C) We used to play Kho-Kho in our village.
(D) You will play neither Kho-Kho nor tennis.

■ **Select the most appropriate questions to get the underlined words/phrases as their answers :**

[4]

- 15) Green leaves and grass provide fodder for animals.
(A) What do green leaves and grass provide for animals?
(B) Who provides fodder for animals?
(C) For whom do green leaves and grass provide fodder?
(D) Why do green leaves and grass provide fodder?
- 16) The managing trustee of the school promoted Deepak as the principal.
(A) Who promoted Deepak as the principal?
(B) Why did the managing trustee promote Deepak as the principal?
(C) How was Deepak promoted as the principal?
(D) Whom did the managing trustee of the school promote as the principal?
- 17) Reena went to Canada to meet her sister.
(A) Did Reena go to Canada to meet her sister?
(B) Why did Reena go to Canada?
(C) With whose help did Reena go to Canada?
(D) Which country did Reena go to meet her sister?
- 18) Arvind likes to listen Arijit Singh's songs.
(A) Whose songs does Arvind like to listen?
(B) Whose songs did Arvind like to listen?
(C) When does Arvind like to listen Arijit Singh's songs?
(D) Does Arvind like to listen Arijit Singh's songs?

SECTION - B

■ **Read the extracts and answer the questions :**

[12]

Customer Service Rep : Can you install LOVE?

Customer : I can do that. I'm not very technical, but I think I am ready to install now. What do I do first?

Customer Service Rep : The first step is to open your HEART. Have you located your HEART ma'am?

- 19) How can you say that the customer is a female?
- 20) Does the customer have technical knowledge?

The overwhelming success of Walt's "crazy idea" triggered a dramatic about-face in the Disney fortunes. Yet success never changed Walt. He remained the simplest of men. He hated parties, and his idea of a night out was a burger and chilli at some little restaurant. His only extravagance was a miniature railroad that ran around the grounds of his home.

- 21) What was the effect of the success of Walt's "crazy idea?"
- 22) What did Walt love even after having so much success or earning money?

When we breathe, there is a microscopic movement of the cranial bones which in turn allows the cerebrospinal fluid to move freely through the spinal column and the skull. When tensed or upset and don't breathe deeply enough, this can result in bones in the skull becoming slightly stuck together so that the fluid cannot circulate properly.

- 23) What happens when we breathe?
- 24) What happens when we are tensed or upset?

I was late coming back home, but I did feel quite unburdened and a lot less worried by what Dr. Kamble had said. I thought the way Nana had made his adjustments with Nani, we too should make adjustments with him.

- 25) Who had lessened the author's burden?
- 26) Who should make adjustments with Nana?

Mr. White gazed with a look of horror at his visitor. His dry lips shaped the words, "How much?" "200 pounds" was the answer. Mr. White found it very difficult to comprehend and became unconscious. He was filled with sorrow at the turn of events. His wish was granted at the cost of his son's life.

- 27) How much money did Mr. White receive from the visitor?



28) Why did Mr. White become unconscious?

After the war, she continued her tirade for the Lord and against racial injustice, even when old age and ill health restricted her activities to the confines of a Battle Creek, Mich, Sanatorium. She died there on Nov. 26, 1883. She was the first black woman to sue and win against the white.

29) What did Sojourner Truth fight against?

30) When did she die?

■ Write any one short note focusing on the questions : [3]

31) The Driver Ants of Africa-

- Which are the most ferocious ants?
- Why are they called driver ants?
- What do they do with animals which pass by their way?
- What do the villagers tell about these ants?
- What do the people do when these ants enter in their house?
- After coming back to their house, what did they find?

OR

Water Conservation-

- How should we need to use water?
- Why is water a precious commodity?
- What should be imbibed and made part of life?
- State few examples to conserve water.
- How can we utilise water used for bathing?
- Why should we learn to save water at present?

■ Fill in the blanks with appropriate words given in the brackets : [3]

(liberty, valiantly, rational, crippled)

The soldiers fought (32) against their enemies but many lost their lives and some became (33). At the end, they got (34).

SECTION - C

- **Read the following passages and answer the questions :**

[5]

After returning to India, Salim tried to get a job as an ornithologist with the Zoological Survey of India but was rejected since he did not have an M.Sc. or Ph.D. degree. He decided to study further to acquire eligibility (ability to do something requirement) for the job. Salim went to Germany and got trained under professor Stressmann, an acknowledged (well-known) ornithologist in Berlin. However, when he came back to India he found out that there were still hardly any opportunities in his profession. Another man would have given up in disgust, but not Salim. He decided to create an opportunity. He went to the Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS) and offered his free services for conducting regional ornithological surveys.

Questions :

- 35) Why was Salim rejected for a job as an ornithologist with the Zoological Survey of India?
- 36) Whom did Salim get trained under? Where?
- 37) Where did Salim offer his free services for conducting regional ornithological surveys?

A heavy shower detained (prevented from leaving or doing something) them midway at a rest-house. They resumed their journey after the rain subsided. By the time they approached the town, it was past midnight. The capital was protected by a high circular wall and the gates used to be locked at midnight by sentries (soldiers who guard the buildings) who camped atop the wall.

The guru and his disciples found three persons standing before the gate and shouting at one another. They were about to come to blows. In the moonlight, the sentries seated atop the wall were enjoying their quarrel.

Questions :

- 38) How was the capital protected?
- 39) What were the sentries doing?



- **Read the following passage, write its summary and suggest a suitable title to it :**

[5]

40) The proverb “action speaks louder than words” holds true. In a given situation, even if you do not communicate verbally, your body speaks by revealing your feelings and emotions. Certain messages are better conveyed through your body language. Body language and non-verbal communication go hand in hand.

Body language is an integral (fundamental) part of the selection criteria at a job interview. A candidate may not be aware that there is someone among the interview panel who is studying his/her body language. Body language is read by observing the body posture (pose), the eye movements and the rhythm of breathing. One of the skills a human resource manager should possess is the ability to read the body language. This would help him while conducting interviews or imparting training to employees. Reading body language is a skill that could be acquired through training and practice.

- **Read the news clipping and answer the questions :**

[5]

‘Was Elaben’s dream’

SEWA unveils ‘Speaking Walls’

The Indian Express

November 3, 2023

Ahmedabad: On the first death anniversary of noted women’s empowerment activist Elaben Bhatt, the Self Employed Women Association (SEWA) on Thursday unveiled ‘Bolti Bheent’ or the ‘Speaking Walls’ in what has been described as her vision to give voice to the voiceless. Founded 50 years ago by Bhatt, SEWA boasts to be the single largest central trade union with over 2.5 million economically challenged self-employed women workers from the informal economy registered across 18 states in India.

The two walls were adorned with 72 pictures of women workers from 18 states “so that it makes everyone listen to and see these women and their work as though the work of these workers speaks for itself no one lends ears to their contribution,” the organisation said.

“It was Elaben’s dream that the walls of the hall at SEWA Reception Centre should speak for the women who are in different trades. Two-thirds of the Indian economy is run by such informal sector women workers. All these women in the frames are alive and working in their trades symbolising their survival and lives,” Jyoti Macwan, general secretary of SEWA, told The Indian Express.

Questions :

- 41) What was Elaben’s dream?
- 42) Write the full form of SEWA.
- 43) Who is the general secretary of SEWA?
- 44) What are the two walls adorned with?
- 45) Whose first death anniversary is mentioned in the news clipping?

■ **Read the stanzas and answer the questions :**

[6]

In other days I used to be
A poet through whose pen
Innumerable songs would come
To win the hearts of men;
But now through new-got knowledge
Which I had not had so long,
I have ceased to be the poet
And have learned to be the song.

Questions :

- 46) In other days, what would come through poet’s pen?
- 47) Why has the poet ceased to be a poet?
- 48) Why does the poet write innumerable songs?

In a dark cave flows a dark river,
And on its stony bank there sits a man,
Old as the sun - or older,
Weaving a yarn of rainbow and humming a song.
But the blind, deaf fish that swim in the stream
See neither yarn nor man,
Nor hear his everlasting song.

Questions :

- 49) What kind of river is it? Where does it flow?
50) How is the river bank?
51) What is the old man weaving?

SECTION - D

■ **Do as directed :**

[4]

- 52) Most of the parents send the children to tuitions and to coaching classes. They provide the best possible facilities for them without considering the cost. The children accomplish their goal by studying hard.

Start like this : The children are sent

- 53) The librarian opens the library at 7:00 am. The sweeper ^{has} cleans the library. Many readers ^{read} the newspapers without disturbing others. Latest magazines ^{are} displayed. The librarian ^{has} behaves politely with the readers.

Start like this : The librarian has opened

- 54) **Render the following dialogue into indirect speech :**

[3]

“What is your goal?” asked the lady teacher.

“I want to be the first person to step on the Sun,” said

Reyansh, a KG student. <https://www.gujaratboardonline.com>

“But you will burn if you do that,” said the lady teacher.

“I will go at night,” said Reyansh.

■ **Complete the sentences choosing correct option :**

[5]

- 55) Ramesh joined the Indian Army _____

(Showing purpose)

- ~~(a)~~ with a view to serving his motherland.
(b) with a view to serve his motherland.
(c) in order to serving his motherland.
(d) in order that serve his motherland.



56) No sooner did the watchman open the gate _____ .

(Showing time)

- (a) all the students rushed in.
- (b) when all the students rushed in.
- (c) than all the students rushed in.
- (d) then all the students rushed in.

57) If Harshil had studied hard _____

(Expressing condition in past)

- (a) he was declared 'passed and promoted.'
- (b) he would have passed the exam.
- (c) yet he did not pass the exam.
- (d) so that he could pass the exam.

58) The suitcase was so heavy _____

(Expressing result)

- (a) that the coolie could not lift it.
- (b) that it could not be lifted by the coolie.
- (c) the coolies used to lift suitcases.
- (d) because the coolie was sick.

59) Virat Kohli is one of _____

(comparing)

- (a) as if he were Sachin Tendulkar.
- (b) better than most other batsmen in the world.
- (c) as Sachin Tendulkar plays.
- (d) the best batsmen in the world.

60) **Combine the following sentences to make a meaningful sentence :**

The stars are self-illuminating.

They are also large in size.

They are far away.

They look small in size.

[3]

■ **Questions 61 to 64 : Complete the passage choosing the correct options from the brackets :**

[4]

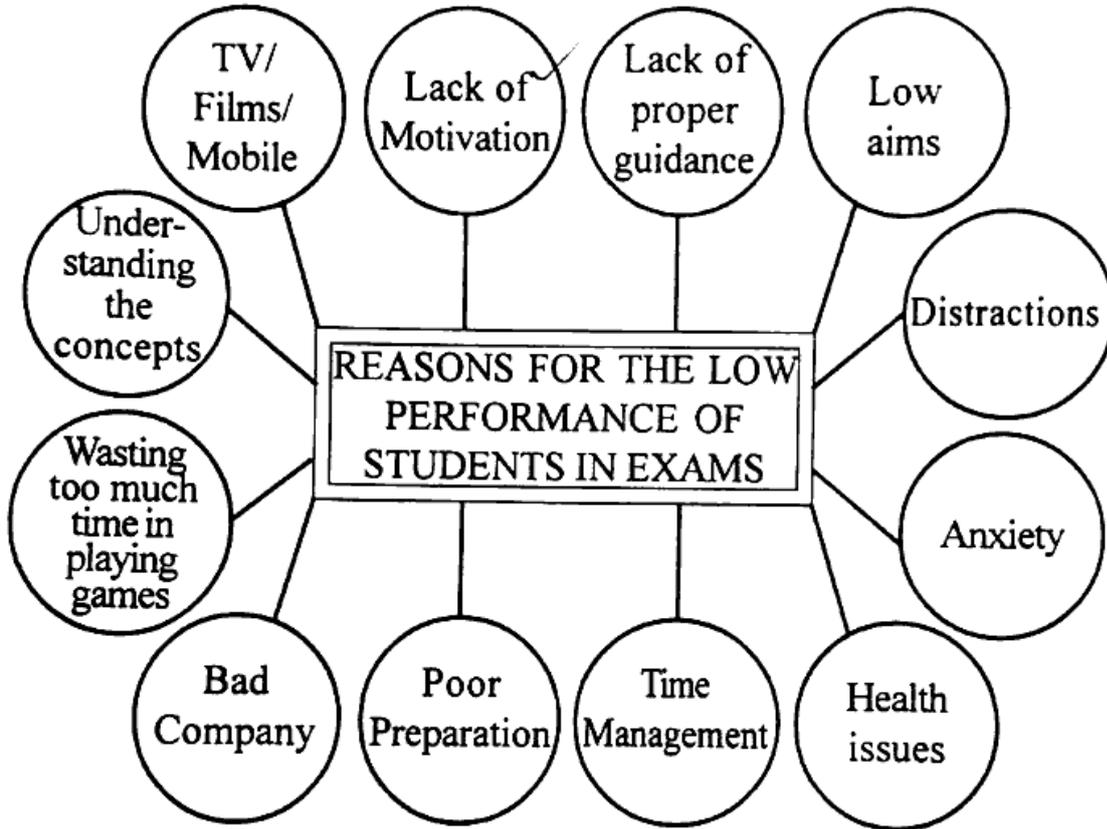
Students learn 61 (in/ on/ of) schools, colleges, institutes etc.
so the real pose of examination is 62 (too/ to/ for) test their

knowledge 63 (but, yet, and) intelligence. 64 (According to/ Instead of/ In spite of) their performance they are given certificates, diplomas or degrees.

SECTION - E

65) Study the following diagram and describe it in about 80 words :

[5]



66) Write a paragraph in about 150 words using the keywords :

[8]

- Unity in Diversity :

(Points : India, a big country — known for secularism — many religions — diversified interests — many ideologies — different customs — food habits, dresses — different languages — similarities and differences.)

OR

- Health is Wealth :

(Points : a famous saying -- bank balance and other property — not real wealth -- man enjoying

health is rich and happy man — follow the basic rules to be healthy.)

OR

- Positive Aspects of Your Personality :

(Points : Cooperative and helping nature — performance in education — confident — honest — leadership — self dependent — courageous — positive attitude — sharp observation — performance in sports — extra curricular activity — skills.)

- 67) Medhansh has to deliver a speech during school assembly. The subject is 'Problems of Working Women.' Write a speech on his behalf : [6]

(Points : Indian society still patriarchal in nature — not accepting women to work outside their houses — balancing work — family life — travelling for work — time management — safety of working women — unequal pay)

OR

Nilam J. Parmar from 31, Saikrupa Residency, Nr. R.T.O., Nadiad wants to apply for the post of a clerk to the principal, Madhuben English School, Opp. IOC Petrol Pump, Vasad-Tarapur Highway, Barsad. Write an application on her behalf.

- 68) Sakina Memon (sakina_memon2012@dmil.com) wants to write an e-mail to Ikra Saiyad (ikra_saiyad2022@smail.com) inviting her to join for a tour to South India after their H.S.C. Board Exam. Write an e-mail on behalf of Sakina Memon. [5]

OR

Prepare a brief report in about 100 words on 'your visit to an old-age home.'

(Points : name — place — date — how many old persons living — what is their daily life — their problems — how you pass your day with them — what you learnt.)

