

Previous Years Paper

5th June 2023 (Shift - 3)

Direction (1-5) Read the following poem and answer the next five question by choosing the correct options:

The Coromandel Fishers

Rise, brothers, rise; the wakening skies pray to the morning light,

The wind lies asleep in the arms of the dawn like a child that has cried all night.

Come, let us gather our nets from the shore and set our catamarans free,

To capture the leaping wealth of the tide, for we are the kings of the sea!

No longer delay, let us hasten away in the track of the sea gull's call,

The sea is our mother, the cloud is our brother, the waves are our comrades all.

What though we toss at the fall of the sun where the hand of the sea-God drives?

He who holds the storm by the hair, will hide in his breast our lives.

Sweet is the shade of the coconut glade, and the scent of the mango grove,

And sweet are the sands at the full o' the moon with the sound of the voices we love;

But sweeter, O brothers, the kiss of the spray and the dance of the wild foam's glee;

Row, brother, row to the edge of the verge, where the low sky mates with the sea.

- Q1.** Identify the speaker in this poem:
(a) Fishermen's friend
(b) Bank people who gave loan to fishermen
(c) Fishermen
(d) Middleman who buy the fish
- Q2.** "To capture the leaping wealth of the tide". Choose the correct option which conveys the meaning of leaping wealth.
(a) Pearl
(b) Fish
(c) Shell
(d) Coral
- Q3.** In the line "... a child that has cried all night" The poet compares a child with ...
(a) Baby
(b) Water
(c) Wave
(d) Wind
- Q4.** "let us hasten away in the track of the sea gull's call" The reason the fishermen have to hasten is
(a) Sea gull sleeps
(b) sun is setting
(c) tide is rising
(d) sun is shining
- Q5.** Find the Antonym from the poem for the word 'glum'
(a) dawn
(b) glade
(c) grove

(d) glee

Direction (6-10) Read the following passage and answer next five questions by choosing the correct options:

On my animal-collecting trips for zoos to various parts of the world, I have had to 'mother' quite a number of baby animals, and I have always found it a most nerve-racking task. The first real attempt I made at being a foster-mother was to four baby hedgehogs. The female hedgehog is a very good mother. She constructs an underground nursery for her young: a circular chamber about 30 centimeters below ground-level, lined with a thick layer of dry leaves. Here she gives birth to her babies which are blind and helpless. They are covered with a thick coating of spikes, but these are white and soft, as though made of rubber. They gradually harden and turn brown when the babies are a few weeks old. When they are old enough to leave the nursery, the mother leads them out and shows them how to hunt for food; they walk in line, the tail of one held in the mouth of the baby behind. The baby at the head of the column holds tight to mother's tail with grim determination, and they move through the twilight hedgerows like a strange prickly centipede.

To a mother hedgehog the rearing of her babies seems to present no problems. But when I was suddenly presented with four blind, white, rubbery-spiked babies to rear, I was not so sure. We were living in Greece at the time, and the nest, which was about the size of a football and made of oak leaves, had been dug up by a farmer working in his fields. My first job was to feed the babies but an ordinary baby's feeding-bottle was much too large for their tiny mouths. Luckily, a friend's young daughter had a doll's feeding-bottle, and I managed to persuade her to part with it. After a time, the hedgehogs took to this and thrived on a diet of diluted cow's milk.

- Q6.** The writer found looking after the baby animals _____.
(a) very easy.
(b) very stressful (at first)
(c) very cheerful
(d) like a non-community job
- Q7.** The mother teaches the young ones to hunt for food when they _____.
(a) are a year old
(b) are old enough to leave their nursery
(c) are in their nursery only
(d) can learn it on their own
- Q8.** The baby hedgehog shows _____ while clinging to its mother.
(a) great resolution
(b) a little possession
(c) independence
(d) enough strength

- Q9.** Choose the correct statement from the following-
- (a) While visiting a number of zoos, the narrator never got an opportunity to mother the baby animals.
 - (b) The baby animals are covered with a thick, hard coating of spikes at birth.
 - (c) The mother gives birth to the babies who are blind and helpless.
 - (d) To a mother hedgehog, the rearing of her babies brings a lot of problems.

- Q10.** Choose the correct option which means 'flourish'.
- (a) determination
 - (b) thrive
 - (c) persuade
 - (d) manage

Direction (11-15) Read the following passage and answer next five questions by choosing the correct options:

The e-waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2011, notified by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, have the potential to turn a growing problem into a developmental opportunity. There has been time to create the necessary infrastructure for collecting, dismantling and recycling of electronic waste. The focus should be on sincere and efficient implementation. Only decisive action can reduce the pollution and health costs associated with India's hazardous waste recycling industry. If India can achieve a transformation, it will be creating a whole new employment sector that provides good wages and working conditions for tens of thousands.

The legacy response of the states to even the basic law on urban waste, the Municipal Solid Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, has been one of indifference, many cities continue to simply burn the garbage or dump it in lakes. With the emphasis now on segregation of waste at source and recovery of materials, it should be feasible to implement both sets of rules efficiently. A welcome feature of the -waste rules is the emphasis on extended producer responsibility. In other words, producers must take responsibility for the disposal of end-of-life products. For this provision to work, they must ensure that consumers who sell scrap get some form of financial incentive.

- Q11.** Which ministry notified the e-waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2011?
- (a) Ministry of Environment
 - (b) Ministry of Defense and Security
 - (c) Ministry of Environment and Forests
 - (d) Ministry of Education
- Q12.** Which of the following can be a by-product of effective e-waste management?
- (a) Guidance to other countries in doing so
 - (b) Promotion of national integration
 - (c) Creation of a new employment sector
 - (d) Employment of Administration
- Q13.** Factors that will help in implementing the e-waste 2011 rule are:

- (a) making the producers responsible.
- (b) segregation of waste at source.
- (c) dumping the waste in lakes.
- (d) burning the garbage.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (A) and (D) only
- (b) (B) and (C) only
- (c) (A) and (B) only
- (d) (C) and (D) only

- Q14.** What, according to the passage, is important for e-waste management?

- (a) Making Rules
- (b) Review of Rules
- (c) Potential for Rules
- (d) Implementation of Rules

- Q15.** Choose from the words given below, the word which means 'practical'.

- (a) transformation
- (b) consumers
- (c) feasible
- (d) Unaccountable

- Q16.** Identify the part of the sentence that has an error. Neither the mouse nor the cat were caught.

- (a) Neither
- (b) the mouse
- (c) nor the cat
- (d) were
- (e) caught.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (B) Only
- (b) (C) Only
- (c) (D) Only
- (d) (E) Only

- Q17.** Fill in the blank with the suitable option:

Here's _____ girl who ran away with my notebook.

- (a) a
- (b) the
- (c) this
- (d) my

- Q18.** Choose the correct function of the underlined Modal in the following sentence: Sushma can play guitar beautifully.

- (a) compulsion
- (b) suggestion
- (c) ability
- (d) permission

- Q19.** Match the questions given in List - I with their tags given in List - II

	List - I		List - II
(A)	They haven't come yet, _____?	(I)	Aren't I
(B)	I am quiet, _____?	(II)	Haven't they
(C)	Let's go for a move, _____?	(III)	Have they
(D)	Somebody just called, _____?	(IV)	Shall we

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (A)-(III), (B)-(II), (C)-(I), (D)-(IV)
 (b) (A)-(II), (B)-(III), (C)-(IV), (D)-(I)
 (c) (A)-(III), (B)-(I), (C)-(IV), (D)-(II)
 (d) (A)-(II), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(III)

Q20. Identify the grammatically incorrect sentence(s) from the following:

- (a) Sanju like drinking tea in the evening.
 (b) What do you want for lunch?
 (c) Romulus was a great ruler of the West.
 (d) Casper was fond of his master.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (A) and (D) Only
 (b) (B) and (C) Only
 (c) (C) and (E) Only
 (d) (B) and (E) Only

Q21. Change the following Reported Speech into Direct by choosing the correct answer from the options given below:

The lion told the fox that he was weak and he no longer wished to be the king and further requested the fox to become the king of the jungle.

- (a) The lion said to the fox, "I am weak and no longer wish to be the king. Please be the king of the jungle."
 (b) The lion requested the fox, "Be the king as I am weak and refuse to be king."
 (c) The lion said, "O Fox, "you are weak and will not wish to be a king of the jungle like me."
 (d) The lion said to the fox, "you are weak and will not wish to be a king of the jungle like me."

Q22. Match the foreign origin words in List - I with the correct meanings given in List - II.

	List -I		List - II
(A)	Bon Voyage.	(I)	In relation to
(B)	Vis-à-vis	(II)	Hello with love
(C)	Aloha	(III)	Real
(D)	Bonafide	(IV)	Best of journey

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (A)-(I), (B)-(IV), (C)-(II), (D)-(III)
 (b) (A)-(IV), (B)-(I), (C)-(II), (D)-(III)
 (c) (A)-(II), (B)-(III), (C)-(IV), (D)-(I)
 (d) (A)-(II), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(III)

Q23. Find the synonym of the word: Maelstrom

- (a) Disorder
 (b) Calm
 (c) Serene
 (d) Balanced

Q24. Choose the correct option to fill in the blank:

_____ can fly very fast.

- (a) The eagles
 (b) Eagles
 (c) A eagle
 (d) An eagles

Q25. Choose the correct option to complete the following sentence:

Mohit's request was rejected _____ the adjudicators, even _____ he spoke about it.

- (a) to, while
 (b) by, before
 (c) for, after
 (d) at, while

Q26. Choose the correct option to change the following into Indirect Speech:

He said, "Alas! His father is dead."

- (a) He exclaimed his father is dead.
 (b) He said that his father dead.
 (c) He exclaimed with sorrow that his father was dead.
 (d) He said that his father was dead.

Q27. Fill in the blank with a suitable Phrasal Verb.

The students were _____ by the principal for their misbehavior with the class teacher.

- (a) Put down
 (b) pulled up
 (c) pulled down
 (d) pulled with

Q28. Match the foreign origin words in List - I with the correct meanings given in List -II

	List -I		List - II
(A)	Prima Facie	(I)	Knack for something
(B)	Raison d'etre	(II)	Based on the first impression
(C)	Penchant	(III)	Understanding between two organisation
(D)	Entente	(IV)	Real purpose

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (A)-(I), (B)-(III), (C)-(II), (D)-(IV)
 (b) (A)-(III), (B)-(II), (C)-(IV), (D)-(I)
 (c) (A)-(II), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(III)
 (d) (A)-(III), (B)-(I), (C)-(IV), (D)-(II)

Q29. Choose the correct option to transform the following sentence into an Exclamatory sentence:

It is a very delicious meal.

- (a) Meal is very delicious!
 (b) Delicious is the meal!
 (c) What a delicious meal it is!
 (d) Very very delicious meal!

Q30. Choose the correct meaning for he underlined Phrasal Verb.

Some look to legislation to hasten the progress of social reforms

- (a) investigate
 (b) regard
 (c) be careful about
 (d) rely on

Q31. Arrange the jumbled sentences in the correct order to make a meaningful sentence:

- (A) Most of the people who don't have
 (B) cars represent freedom, mobility and status/as
 (C) newer, bigger, faster and fancier model
 (D) a car want one and those who
 (E) already own one would like a

Choose the correct answer from the options given below;

- (a) (B), (A), (D), (E), (C)
- (b) (B), (E), (D), (A), (C)
- (c) (B), (D), (E), (A), (C)
- (d) (B), (A), (E), (D), (C)

Q32. Choose the correct meaning of the following pair of words:

- Wither, Whither
- (a) bright, clever
 - (b) brilliant, bright
 - (c) fade, where
 - (d) here, there

Q33. In a formal letter to a company, what information do you include?

- (a) Your address
- (b) Both your address and the company's address
- (c) Your date of birth
- (d) None of these

Q34. Choose the most appropriate Synonym of the word "wretched" from the options given :

- (a) snatched
- (b) miserable
- (c) disarranged
- (d) discomfited

Q35. Choose the correct option to change the following sentence from Active Voice to Passive Voice:

'I am to write a book

- (a) A book is to be written by me.
- (b) A book was to be written by me.
- (c) A book is written by me.
- (d) A book was written by me.

Q36. Choose the correct Adverb phrase from the options to fill in the blank.

I haven't got _____ on a holiday at the moment

- (a) enough money to go
- (b) money enough to go
- (c) money enough for going
- (d) enough money to going

Q37. If you are writing a letter to the Housing Department to repair a lock, you would begin the letter with _____.

- (a) Dear friend
- (b) Hi
- (c) Dear Sir or Madam
- (d) None of these

Q38. Choose the appropriate Modal to complete the given sentence:

"He _____ not ask for a raise, for fear of losing his job"

- (a) need
- (b) ought
- (c) dare
- (d) would

Q39. Choose the correct option to change the following sentence from Active Voice to Passive Voice:

They have postponed the concert.

- (a) The concert has been postponed by them.
- (b) The concert is postponed by them.
- (c) The concert is postponed.
- (d) The concert may be postponed by them.

Q40. Match the words in List - I with their Antonyms in List - II.

	List - I		List - II
(A)	Fabricate	(I)	Placid
(B)	Abjure	(II)	Disarrange
(C)	Boisterous	(III)	Crafty
(D)	Ingenuous	(IV)	Approve

Choose the correct correct answer from the given options

- (a) (A)-(I), (B)-(III), (C)-(II), (D)-(IV)
- (b) (A)-(III), (B)-(II), (C)-(IV), (D)-(I)
- (c) (A)-(II), (B)-(IV), (C)-(I), (D)-(III)
- (d) (A)-(IV), (B)-(I), (C)-(III), (D)-(II)

Q41. Rearrange the jumbled phrases to form a meaningful sentence:

- (a) working at
- (b) vibrant work environment
- (c) Vandana had been
- (d) an analytic firm
- (e) that had a world renowned

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (C), (A), (E), (B), (D)
- (b) (C), (A), (D), (E), (B)
- (c) (C), (D), (A), (B), (E)
- (d) (C), (A), (B), (D), (E)

Q42. Find out the sentences with the correct use of the preposition:

- (a) The Airline is expected to report every unruly incident to the government authorities.
- (b) The income derived with ownership of land is commonly called rent.
- (c) She was invited about the dinner last week.
- (d) The problem is not the lack of laws but sheer callousness when it comes to the safety of

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (A) and (D) Only
- (b) (A) and (B) Only
- (c) (B) and (C) Only
- (d) (B) and (D) Only

Q43. Choose the correct synonym of the underlined word in the following word in the following sentence from the options given:

Her assignments have taken to many exotic locations around the world.

- (a) fascinating
- (b) ancient
- (c) cosmopolitan
- (d) distant

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (D) Only
- (b) (C) Only
- (c) (B) Only
- (d) (A) Only

Q44. Choose the option that conveys the nearest meaning of the idiom: At sea :

- (a) On a journey
- (b) Confused
- (c) On a ship
- (d) On a battle ground

Q45. Choose the correct meaning of the idiom in the given sentence from the options given below:

I have a bone to pick with you

- (a) Some friendly conversation
- (b) Some meeting
- (c) Some cause of quarrel with you
- (d) Something to eat

Q46. Choose the suitable Adverb to complete the following sentence:

He _____ goes to gym every Saturday.

- (a) badly
- (b) usually
- (c) now
- (d) used to

Q47. Match the words in List – I with their Antonyms in List – II.

	List -I		List – II
(A)	Proliferate	(I)	Enduring
(B)	Brittle	(II)	Evasive
(C)	Callous	(III)	Deficient
(D)	Candid	(IV)	compassionate

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (a) (A)-(IV), (B)-(II), (C)-(III), (D)-(I)
- (b) (A)-(III), (B)-(I), (C)-(IV), (D)-(II)

(c) (A)-(I), (B)-(IV), (C)-(II), (D)-(III)

(d) (A)-(II), (B)-(III), (C)-(I), (D)-(IV)

Q48. Identify the error in the following sentence and replace with a suitable word from the options given:

The incident effected my whole career.

- (a) affected
- (b) hole
- (c) carrier
- (d) mine

Q49. Choose the best option to complete the sentence:

Annie Emaux, _____ is a famous writer, won the Nobel Prize in 2022

- (a) whose
- (b) that
- (c) who
- (d) which

Q50. Change the following Assertive sentence into an Exclamatory one. – Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

I wish I were safe at home.

- (a) If only I wish to be safe at home!
- (b) What a safe at home!
- (c) If only I were safe at home!
- (d) How I wish safe at home!

Solution

S1. Ans. (c)	S26. Ans. (c)
Sol. Fisherman is the speaker	Sol. He exclaimed with sorrow that his father was dead.
S2. Ans. (b)	S27. Ans. (b)
Sol. Leaping wealth - Fish	S28. Ans. (c)
S3. Ans. (d)	S29. Ans. (c)
Sol. Poet Compares a child with wind	Sol. What a delicious meal it is!
S4. Ans. (b)	S30. Ans. (d)
S5. Ans. (d)	Sol. Look to – Rely on
Sol. Antonym of glum is glee	S31. Ans. (a)
S6. Ans. (b)	S32. Ans. (c)
S7. Ans. (b)	S33. Ans. (b)
S8. Ans. (a)	S34. Ans. (b)
S9. Ans. (c)	Sol. Wretched - miserable
S10. Ans. (b)	S35. Ans. (a)
Sol. Flourish - Thrive	Sol. A book is to be written by me.
S11. Ans. (c)	S36. Ans. (a)
S12. Ans. (c)	S37. Ans. (c)
S13. Ans. (c)	S38. Ans. (c)
S14. Ans. (d)	Sol. dare is the correct alternative
S15. Ans. (c)	S39. Ans. (a)
Sol. Practical- Feasible	Sol. The concert has been postponed by them.
S16. Ans. (c)	S40. Ans. (c)
Sol. was should be used.	Sol. Fabricate – Crafty
S17. Ans. (b)	Abjure- Approve
Sol. 'The' is correct option	Boisterous – Placid
S18. Ans. (c)	Ingenuous - Disarrange
Sol. Ability	S41. Ans. (b)
S19. Ans. (c)	S42. Ans. (a)
S20. Ans. (a)	S43. Ans. (d)
S21. Ans. (a)	S44. Ans. (b)
S22. Ans. (b)	Sol. At Sea - Confused
Sol. Bon Voyage- Best of journey	S45. Ans. (c)
Vis-à-vis – In relation to	S46. Ans. (b)
Aloha – Hello with love	Sol. Usually
Bonafide- Real	S47. Ans. (b)
S23. Ans. (a)	S48. Ans. (a)
Sol. Synonym of Maelstrom is Disorder	S49. Ans. (c)
S24. Ans. (b)	S50. Ans. (c)
Sol. Eagles	Sol. If only I were safe at home!
S25. Ans. (b)	