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**GENERAL ENGLISH (SSLC Standard) WITH GENERAL
STUDIES (HSC Standard)**

This Booklet Contains

**PART - A (GENERAL ENGLISH) AND PART - B
(GENERAL STUDIES)**

Duration : Three Hours]

[Total Marks : 300

Read the following instructions carefully before you begin to answer the questions.

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1. You will be supplied with this question booklet 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the examination.
2. This question booklet contains 200 questions. Before answering the questions, you shall check whether all the questions are printed serially and ensure that there are no blank pages in the question booklet. If any defect is noticed in the question booklet, it shall be reported to the invigilator within the first 10 minutes and get it replaced with a fresh question booklet. If the defect is reported after the commencement of the examination, it will not be replaced.
3. Answer all the questions. All the questions carry equal marks.
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6. You shall write and shade your question booklet number in the space provided on page one of the answer sheet with **BLACK INK BALL POINT PEN**. If you do not shade correctly or fail to shade the question booklet number, your answer sheet will be invalidated.
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SPACE FOR ROUGH WORK

பகுதி-அ (பொது ஆங்கிலம்)

Part-A (General English)

வினாக்கள் : 1-100

மொத்த மதிப்பெண்கள் : 150

Questions : 1-100

Total Marks : 150

1. Fill in the blank

Collective Noun

A _____ of cows were grazing the grass.

- (A) group of
(B) ✓ herd of
(C) fleet of
(D) bunch of
(E) Answer not known

2. Choose the correct plural form of "Curriculum"

- (A) ✓ Curricula
(B) Curriculams
(C) Curriculas
(D) Curriculasis
(E) Answer not known

3. Identify the sentence :

I. Unless you consult a doctor you cannot recover.

II. In the event of not consulting a doctor, you cannot recover.

- (A) (I) Complex Sentence (II) Complex Sentence
(B) (I) Compound Sentence (II) Simple Sentence
(C) (I) Simple Sentence (II) Compound Sentence
(D) ✓ (I) Complex Sentence (II) Simple Sentence
(E) Answer not known

4. Choose the correct answer :

“Glimpses of World History” – It is a collection of _____ letters on World History.

- (A) ✓ 196 (B) 197
(C) 198 (D) 199
(E) Answer not known

5. Identify the compound word that is NOUN + VERB

- (A) Washing Mouth (B) Black Board
(C) Post box (D) ✓ Mouth Wash
(E) Answer not known

6. Choose the correct American English word to the British English Word “CHIPS”

- (A) Finger Chips (B) Crunchies
(C) ✓ French Fries (D) Cheese Fry
(E) Answer not known

7. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word :

The surprised boy turned and looked up at the master.

- (A) tottered (B) skinned
(C) ✓ startled (D) blurred
(E) Answer not known

8. Match the antonyms :

- | | |
|------------|--------------|
| (a) wide | 1. coward |
| (b) honour | 2. ignoble |
| (c) brave | 3. narrow |
| (d) noble | 4. dishonour |

- | | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
|-------|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| (A) | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| (B) ✓ | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| (C) | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| (D) | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| (E) | Answer not known | | | |

9. Pick a suitable suffix for the given word from the given options :

Construct

- | | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| (A) ship | (B) ✓ ion |
| (C) ness | (D) less |
| (E) Answer not known | |

10. Choose the correct prefix for the underlined word from the options given :

He hated his Fortune

- | | |
|----------------------|----------|
| (A) ✓ Mis | (B) Un |
| (C) In | (D) Auto |
| (E) Answer not known | |

11. Choose the correct Articles :

My father was posted in Patna. On the first Sunday there, my brother and I decided to do _____ little exploring on our bikes.

- (A) a (B) an
(C) the (D) some
(E) Answer not known

12. Replace the underlined incorrect word with the correct word from the given options :

The Baby climbed above the table.

- (A) into
(B) onto
(C) under
(D) below
(E) Answer not known

13. Fill in the blank with suitable preposition.

Jenny lives _____ her workplace.

- (A) in
(B) into
(C) near
(D) under
(E) Answer not known

14. Fill in the blank with the correct tense form of the verb from the options given below :

Good students _____ to lectures carefully.

- (A) Listens (B) Listening
(C) Will listen (D) Listen
(E) Answer not known

15. Select the correct passive form of the sentence given :

His attitude shocked me.

- (A) I was shocked by his attitude
(B) I had been shocked by his attitude
(C) I was shocked
(D) He shocked me
(E) Answer not known

16. Find out the Passive Voice form from the given sentence :

- (A) Please do not use mobile phones here
(B) Somebody has taken away my book
(C) No one has bought the tickets
(D) My book has been taken away
(E) Answer not known

17. Fill in the blanks with Gerund word from the option given :

_____ might satisfy your desire for new experience.

- (A) Travel (B) Travelling
(C) To Travel (D) Travelled
(E) Answer not known

18. Identify the sentence pattern of the following sentence :

During the war, many people lost their homes.

- (A) SVO (B) SV IO DO
(C) AS VIO DO (D) ASVO
(E) Answer not known

19. Select the correct sentence from the options :

- (A) Each boys and each girls was given a special prize
(B) Each boy and each girl were given a special prize
(C) Each boy and each girl was given a prize
(D) Each of the boys and each of the girls was given a special prize
(E) Answer not known

20. Fill in the blanks with suitable article :

The child was playing with _____ yellow balloon.

- (A) ϕ (No article) (B) an
(C) a (D) in
(E) Answer not known

21. Fill in the blanks by choosing the most appropriate article from the given options :

There are three rooms and _____ balcony in the flat.

- (A) some (B) the
(C) an (D) a
(E) Answer not known

25. Choose the right option :

“Beside the house sits a tree

It never grows leaves”.....

These lines appear in the poem _____

(A) No Men are Foreign

(B) A Poison Tree

(C) The House on Elm Street

(D) On Killing a Tree

(E) Answer not known

26. “A thing of Beauty is a joy forever”

The above line was written by the famous poet _____

(A) John Keats

(B) William Wordsworth

(C) George Eliot

(D) Rabindranath Tagore

(E) Answer not known

27. “Summer comes

in a blaze of Heat

with sunny smiles

and dusty feet.”

These lines are taken from the poem _____

(A) A Tragic Story

(B) The Crocodile

(C) Indian Seasons

(D) Trees

(E) Answer not known

28. "And Miles to go before I sleep"

In this line, the word "sleep" symbolizes _____

- (A) the symbol of power (B) the symbol of faith
(C) the symbol of life (D) the symbol of death
(E) Answer not known

29. Choose the right answer from the options :

Even the smallest of Gifts deserves "_____"

- (A) Love You (B) Admire You
(C) Thank You (D) Hate You
(E) Answer not known

30. Through the flowers and foliage glancing,

Like a child at play,

These lines are taken from the poem _____

- (A) The River (B) The Poison Tree
(C) The Comet (D) The Ant and the Cricket
(E) Answer not known

31. "A Silly Young Cricket, accustomed to sing"

The above line appears in the poem _____

- (A) The Ant and the Cricket (B) Life
(C) The Secret of the Machines (D) No Men are Foreign
(E) Answer not known

32. "My Heart will keep the courage of the Quest"

The word "Quest" means _____

- (A) Expressing great sadness
- (B) ✓ Long search for something difficult to find
- (C) To move very quickly
- (D) Willing to do something
- (E) Answer not known

33. "It is the human Earth that we defile"

The word 'Defile' means _____.

- (A) Damaged Values
- (B) Damaged Humanity
- (C) Damaged File
- (D) ✓ Damaged Appearance
- (E) Answer not known

34. Go then," Says the ant, "and dance the winter away"

Thus ending, he hastily lifted the wicket

Bring out the meaning of the word hastily

- (A) Happily
- (B) ✓ Hurriedly
- (C) Sadly
- (D) Comfortably
- (E) Answer not known

35. With buzzing wings she hung aloft, then near and nearer drew

Thinking only of her brilliant eyes, and green and purple hue

Who does 'she' refer to?

- (A) spider
- (B) ant
- (C) cricket
- (D) ✓ fly
- (E) Answer not known

36. Which award was given to Nelson Mandela by India?
- (A) Arjuna Award (B) Padma Shri
(C) Bharat Ratna (D) Padma Vibhushan
(E) Answer not known

37. Regard to battle for Jhansi, which of the following true

Assertion [A] : In the Jokhun Bagh massacre. The Rani of Jhansi didnot play an active role at the beginning but in the due course of time, she decided fight-preferring an honourable death in the battle field from a hangman's rope.

Reason [R]: Rani of Jhansi convinced that the British Government held her responsible for the mutiny and massacre and that she would have to face a trial on this charge.

- (A) [A] is true [R] is false
(B) [A] is false and [R] is true
(C) [A] and [R] are independently true having no relationship
(D) [A] and [R] true and [R] correctly reasons the [A]
(E) Answer not known
38. Kalpana Chawla said, "The path from dreams to success does exist". From the above line she became inspiration for
- (A) The people of the world (B) Indian youth
(C) Youth of global community (D) The youth of U.S.
(E) Answer not known

Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions given below :
(39 – 43)

Udhagamandalam is located in the Western Ghats zone at an altitude of 2240 m. It is the headquarters of the Nilgiri District where the two mountain ranges meet. Udhagamandalam popularly called Ooty by tourists is the Queen of Hill Stations. Centuries ago this was also called Oththai-Kal (Single Stone) Mandu (Mund is the name of a Toda Village). Summer temperature reaches a maximum of 25°C and a minimum of 10°C. During the winter it records a maximum of 21°C and a minimum of 5°C. This area was inhabited by the tribals called Toda long before anybody ventured into this region. Fishing was the major activity in this place. In the year 1973, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation (TTDC) Government of Tamil Nadu took possession of this place. Boating is an activity which provides another thrilling entertainment for the tourists.

39. Which place is called the Queen of Hill stations?
(A) Ooty (B) Kodaikanal
(C) Kothagiri (D) Kulumanali
(E) Answer not known
40. Centuries ago Udhagamandalam was called _____.
(A) Otacamund (B) Mund
(C) Ooty (D) Oththai-Kal Mandu
(E) Answer not known
41. Which activity provides thrilling entertainment for the tourists?
(A) Snorkelling activity (B) Diving activity
(C) Boating activity (D) Swimming activity
(E) Answer not known

42. The maximum summer temperature of Udhagamandalam is _____.

- (A) 10°C (B) 21°C
(C) ✓ 25°C (D) 20°C
(E) Answer not known

43. Udhagamandalam was inhabited by tribals called _____.

- (A) Irula
(B) ✓ Toda
(C) Mund
(D) Britons
(E) Answer not known

44. _____ is the servant woman in C. Rajagopalachari's 'The Nose Jewel'.

- (A) Ramayi
(B) Meenakshi
(C) ✓ Kuppayi
(D) Chandra
(E) Answer not known

45. Write the synonym for the word 'Inferno'

- (A) Heaven (B) ✓ Hell
(C) Oasis (D) Desert
(E) Answer not known

46. Some rainy afternoons Tagore spent in a veritable frenzy, singing away _____ to his own tunes.

- (A) Patriotic Songs (B) School Songs
(C) Old Vaishnava Songs (D) National Anthem
(E) Answer not known

47. Fill in the blank.

The following words are uttered by Isaac Newton.

I seem to myself like a _____.

- (A) Philosopher (B) Innocent
(C) Small Baby (D) Child
(E) Answer not known

48. Where is the Bear's Nursery situated?

- (A) India (B) America
(C) New York (D) England
(E) Answer not known

49. Little cyclone was rescued by the _____.

- (A) Members of the bluecross
(B) Friendly hands of the zoological society
(C) Members of the national zoo
(D) Volunteers from New York
(E) Answer not known

50. The story 'The little hero of Holland' is written by _____.
- (A) Satyajit Ray (B) Jules Verne
(C) ✓ Mary Mapes Dodge (D) Mark twain
(E) Answer not known
51. Name the districts that fell into the hands to the Prussians during the France – Prussian war in "The Last Lesson".
- (A) Abidjan and Lorain (B) Andaman and Prussia
(C) ✓ Alsace and Lorraine (D) Franz and Prussia
(E) Answer not known
52. Miranda is the beautiful daughter of _____ in William Shakespeare's 'The tempest'.
- (A) Sycorax (B) ✓ Prospero
(C) Caliban (D) Antonio
(E) Answer not known
53. Sycorax was _____ to Ariel in the lesson, "The Tempest".
- (A) ✓ an old enemy (B) a friend
(C) a brother (D) the master
(E) Answer not known
54. Whose first flight is mentioned in the lesson 'His First Flight'?
- (A) Crow (B) Eagle
(C) ✓ Seagull (D) Sparrow
(E) Answer not known

55. Find out the odd sentence from the list given below :

- (A) I have already sung (B) You have already sung
(C) ✓ We have already sung (D) She has already sung
(E) Answer not known

56. Match the underlined words in Column A with their parts of speech in Column B and select the correct answer under the code given.

Column A	Column B
(a) He <u>received</u> your messages last night	1. Adjective
(b) Sumitha is <u>always</u> asking questions	2. Noun
(c) Jade, the Elephant is <u>lonely</u>	3. Adverb
(d) Mani worked in the <u>School</u>	4. Verb

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	4	2	3	1
(B)	2	3	4	1
(C)	1	4	3	2
(D) ✓	4	3	1	2

(E) Answer not known

57. Choose the sentence where the answer is wrongly given :

Incorrect

Correct

- (A) Work hard lest you will fail – Work hard lest you should fail
(B) I know to cook – I know how to cook
(C) ✓ Ten candidates have passed one failed – Ten candidates have passed and one failed
(D) You will never see a man like he – You will never see a man like him
(E) Answer not known

58. Choose the correct comparative degree sentence for the following Positive degree sentence :

Very few Indian languages are as ancient as Tamil.

- (A) No other Indian language is as ancient as Tamil
(B) Tamil is as ancient as any other Indian language
(C) ✓ Tamil is more ancient than many other Indian languages
(D) Tamil is one of the most ancient Indian languages
(E) Answer not known

59. Find out the blended form of

SPANISH + ENGLISH

- (A) SPANESH (B) SPANGISH
(C) ✓ SPANGLISH (D) SPAN ENGLISH
(E) Answer not known

60. "He ate something eagerly and in large amounts, so that nothing is left in the table" – Substantiate to one word.

- (A) ✓ devour
- (B) nibble
- (C) gobble
- (D) epicure
- (E) Answer not known

61. Choose the correct Antonym for the underlined word from the options given :

Unkempt, he would visit the office asking for a clerical job.

- (A) inorderly
- (B) ✓ neat
- (C) not cared for
- (D) merry
- (E) Answer not known

62. Choose the correct Antonym for the underlined word 'Shelter' from the options given.

- (A) residence
- (B) home
- (C) ✓ unprotected
- (D) security
- (E) Answer not known

63. Match the following words and phrases given in Column A with their meanings in Column B

Column A		Column B	
(a) call on somebody		1. to continue doing something	
(b) call back		2. to eliminate	
(c) get rid of		3. to return	
(d) keep on		4. visit somebody	

- | | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
|-------|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| (A) | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| (B) | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| (C) ✓ | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| (D) | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| (E) | Answer not known | | | |

64. Match the following words and phrases in Column A with Column B

Column A		Column B	
(a) act upon		1. tolerate	
(b) bear with		2. solve	
(c) work out		3. obey	
(d) reel off		4. to say quickly, non stop	

- | | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
|-------|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| (A) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| (B) | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| (C) ✓ | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| (D) | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| (E) | Answer not known | | | |

65. The village people suspected that the diamond nose jewel must have been stolen by

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| (A) ✓ Kuppayi | (B) Ramayya |
| (C) Ramayya's Wife | (D) Meenakshi Ammal |
| (E) Answer not known | |

66. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word.

Vimal generally goes to his workplace _____ bus.

- (A) on (B) at
(C) by (D) to
(E) Answer not known

67. Select the correct question tag :

You go to School, _____

- (A) do you? (B) isn't you?
(C) aren't you? (D) don't you?
(E) Answer not known

68. Select the suitable tag.

Don't come late tomorrow, _____?

- (A) will you (B) won't you
(C) don't you (D) do you
(E) Answer not known

69. Choose the correct tense form :

When the meeting _____, the staff members came out.

- (A) will end (B) ended
(C) had ended (D) have ended
(E) Answer not known

70. A verb that does not indicate tense and does not change according to the _____ is called as non-finite verb.

- (A) subject (B) verb
(C) object (D) adjunct
(E) Answer not known

71. Fill in the blanks choosing a suitable word :

Oxygen is the _____ element present in the Earth's crust.

- (A) Principal (B) Vincible
(C) Invincible (D) Principle
(E) Answer not known

72. The words "Throne" and "Thrown" are _____.

- (A) Homonyms (B) Acronyms
(C) Homophones (D) Homographs
(E) Answer not known

73. Identify the sentence pattern :

He is smart.

- (A) SVO (B) SVC
(C) SVOA (D) SVOC
(E) Answer not known

74. "But I have Promises to keep
And miles to go before I sleep
and miles to go before I sleep"
Identify the Figure of speech.

- (A) Simile (B) Metaphore
(C) Repetition (D) Personification
(E) Answer not known

75. Faster than a Cheetah
With a tail that's miles long,
Bigger than a mountain
So powerful and strong

Pick out the rhyming words employed in the above lines.

- (A) Cheetah – strong (B) Long – mountain
(C) Long – strong (D) Mountain – strong
(E) Answer not known

76. Some water, coal, and oil is all we ask
And a thousandth of an inch to give us play
And now, if you will set us to our task
We will serve you four and twenty hours a day!

Pick out the Rhyming words from the given lines

- (A) Play – Task / Ask – Day
(B) Ask – Task / Play – Day
(C) Ask – Play / Task – Day
(D) Day – Task / Play – Ask
(E) Answer not known

77. "It's the stick together family
– that wins the Joys of Earth"

Identify the figure of Speech in the given line.

- (A) Simile (B) Metaphor
(C) Rhyme (D) Personification
(E) Answer not known

78. Her hair is always a rat's nest in the morning.

Identify the figure of speech in the given line.

- (A) Simile (B) Personification
(C) Metaphor (D) Repetition
(E) Answer not known

79. Having a friend is like planting a flower.

Identify the figure of speech in the given line.

- (A) Metaphor (B) Simile
(C) Personification (D) Anaphora
(E) Answer not known

80. "A flowery band to bind us to the earth"

Identify the figure of speech.

- (A) Simile (B) Alliteration
(C) Personification (D) Repetition
(E) Answer not known

81. Choose the right answer from the options given below :

“One bit of courage
For the darkening sky;
One gleam of faith
To brave the thickening ills of life”

These lines are taken from the poem _____

- (A) Lessons in Life (B) Sea Fever
(C) Making Life Worth While (D) Courage
(E) Answer not known

82. I respect you and you respect

I think of you and you think of me.

These lines are taken from the poem _____

- (A) Life
(B) I am Every Woman
(C) The Spider and the Fly
(D) Lessons in Life
(E) Answer not known

83. There lived a sage in days of yore,

And he a handsome pigtail wore.

These lines are taken from the poem _____

- (A) Indian Seasons (B) A Tragic Story
(C) Your Space (D) Lessons in Life
(E) Answer not known

84. He will not see me stopping here
To watch his woods fill up with snow.
Who does 'He' refer to?
- (A) The Poet (B) The Horse
(C) The Horse Rider (D) The Owner of the Woods
(E) Answer not known
85. Spring is Pretty
but short and sweet
when you can smell the grass
From your garden seat
Who does "You" refer to?
- (A) The Poet (B) Spring
(C) People (D) Autumn
(E) Answer not known
86. Let me but live my life from year to year,
With forward face and unreluctant soul.
Whom does the word "me" refer to?
- (A) Captain (B) Foreigner
(C) The Poet (D) Sailor
(E) Answer not known
87. He gives his Harness bells a shake
To ask if there is some mistake.
Whom does "He" refer to in these lines?
- (A) The Poet (B) The Owner of the Farm
(C) The Villager (D) The Horse
(E) Answer not known

88. Tending onward to the ocean just like mortal prime
"Mortal Prime" in the above lines refers to a _____.

- (A) reckless youth (B) matured man
(C) child (D) curious woman
(E) Answer not known

89. The poet wants to travel desparately on which thing?

Describing his love for the sea, the poet says that "the call of the running tide" is

- (A) A loving call (B) A gentle call
(C) A wild call (D) A hasty call
(E) Answer not known

90. How did Lincoln die?

- (A) was shot (B) was ill
(C) natural death (D) accident
(E) Answer not known

91. Identify the slogan that was not uttered by Mandela

- (A) "A winner is a dreamer who never gives up"
(B) "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world"
(C) "I am the captain of my fate;
I am the master of my soul"
(D) "The braveman is not the who doesnot feel afraid, but he who conquer that fear"
(E) Answer not known

92. When was Helen Keller born?

(A) July 27, 1881

(B) August 27, 1890

(C) June 27, 1880

(D) December 16, 1880

(E) Answer not known

93. What was the name of the short story written by Keller in 1891?

(A) "The World I Live In"

(B) "Uncle Sam is Calling"

(C) "The Story of My Life"

(D) "The Frost King"

(E) Answer not known

94. _____ was the only soldier-statesman India has produced during the freedom struggle.

(A) Baghat Singh

(B) Subhas Chandra Bose

(C) Rani of Jhansi

(D) Bhagwan Das

(E) Answer not known

95. Nehru's family began to call him by the name given by the crowd, _____.

(A) 'Chacha Nehru'

(B) 'Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru'

(C) 'Pandit Nehru'

(D) 'Jewel of India'

(E) Answer not known

96. "The Story of My Experiments with Truth" was written in _____ language.

(A) Tamil

(B) Gujarati

(C) Hindi

(D) Kannada

(E) Answer not known

97. Choose the correct answer :

_____ is celebrated as "National Science Day".

- (A) January 28 (B) March 28
(C) May 28 (D) February 28
(E) Answer not known

98. Who is Polly to Tom Sawyer?

- (A) Granny (B) Nanny
(C) Mother (D) Aunt
(E) Answer not known

99. Sachin Tendulkar's autobiography was _____.

Fill up the blank with suitable answer.

- (A) My experiment with truth
(B) I dare
(C) Playing it my way
(D) Autobiography of unknown Indian
(E) Answer not known

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- (A) a deceitful, intentional trick (B) an alias
(C) a clever alibi (D) a prank
(E) Answer not known