

# **MODEL QUESTION-2021**

## **SET –I**

### **ENGLISH CORE**

(Class XII<sup>th</sup>)

Full Marks : 100

#### **Section – A**

##### **(Reading comprehension)**

#### **I. Read the passage and answer the question from 1 to 10 :**

The famous pyramid of Khufu (or Cheops) in Egypt is the only one of the seven Wonders of the Ancient world that remains intact to this day. The ancient Egyptians placed the mummies of their pharaohs in pyramids because they believed the bodies would not decay inside these structures.

Many believe that the pyramid of Khufu has special powers. Not magical powers, but a power peculiar to the very structure of pyramid. They say that the pyramid power can make plants grow faster and sharpen knives. It is believed that it is the shape of the pyramid that gives it power. The shape directs energy on anything that is put inside a pyramid.

There are many stories about the pyramid's wonderful benefits. People sleep better. Headaches go away. Seeds grow faster. Old jewellery looks polished. It is said that these things happen by just putting these items inside a model of the pyramid of Khufu.

In 1975, the Coach of a hockey team was worried about his team, they had been performing poorly. When the coach heard about the pyramid power, he hung twenty-five small pyramids above the locker-room door. All the team members had to pass under them. After standing for ten minutes under a pyramid, the team captain scored five goals.

Do pyramids really have power? Was the pyramid of Khufu more than just a beautiful monument? We cannot know for sure until a proper scientific research is carried out to verify these claims.

#### **Choose the correct option.**

1. The famous pyramid of Khufu is also known as- 1  
(A) Pyramid of Khafre (B) Pyramid of Cheops  
(C) Pyramid of Menkaure (D) None of the above
2. Where did the ancient Egyptians placed the mummies of their pharaohs ? 1  
(A) in pyramids (B) in coffins  
(C) in locker room (D) None of the above
3. Why did the ancient Egyptians placed the mummies of their pharaohs ? 1  
(A) Because they believed that they had magical power. (B) Because they believed that souls would rest in peace.  
(C) Because they believed that bodies would decay faster (D) Because they believed the bodies would not decay inside these structures.
4. What is the power that the pyramid of Khufu is believed to have? 1  
(A) People sleep better (B) Headaches go away  
(C) Seeds grow faster (D) All of these

5. How many small pyramids did the coach of a Hockey team hung above the locker-room door? 1
- (A) 20 (B) 25
- (C) 21 (D) 11

**Fill in the blanks**

6. The famous pyramid of Khufu is located in ..... 1
7. The famous pyramid of Khufu is believed to have special powers known as ..... 1
8. The ancient Egyptians placed the mummies of their pharaohs in ..... 1
9. It is believed that the ..... of pyramid gives it power. 1
10. The ..... of the hockey team hung twenty-five small pyramids above the door. 1

**II. Read the passage and answer the question from 11 to 15 : 2×5=10**

Dexter was a Military General in Hitler's Army. During the second World War he was appointed as the Guard of a Fortress near the French border. He moved on his mission leaving his wife behind who was to be hostage if the General failed in his duties. After the continuous attack of the allied Army only ten thousand of the German soldiers were left without any ammunition in the most miserable condition with all the injuries but no medicines and no treatment. All round the clock the Allied Army announced their support after the surrender but there was Hitler who wanted everyone to die on the battlefield. Dexter was having all confusion of thinking of his wife. In between he received a letter from his wife who would die of cancer by the time Dexter would be going through the contents. There was now nothing to be afraid of or to care for. Dexter killed his immediate boss and on radio announced the surrender. Now the ten thousand soldiers were being looked after by the Doctors in the Allied Army and could get the chance to survive and to live on.

11. Who was Dexter? 2
12. When and where was he appointed? 2
13. Why were the German soldiers helpless? 2
14. Why did Dexter announce the surrender? 2
15. What was the advantage of surrender? 2

**Section – B**

**Advanced Writing Skills**

16. You are the Head boy/Head girl of your school. Write a notice for the school notice board directing the students to use dustbins to keep the school campus clean. (50 words) 4

**OR**

You are the Cultural Secretary of your college. You are going to organize a welcome programme for the students of class XI. Write a notice for your college notice Board informing the students about the programme. (50 words)

17. Write a report on 'The Importance of Trees' seminar organised by the Eco club of your school/College. (80-100 words) 5

**OR**

Write a report on Annual Day Function held in your school in about 80-100 words. You are Sunidhi/Sudhanshu of Marwari +2 High School, Ranchi.

18. Write a letter to the Editor of 'Prabhat Khabar' about rash and reckless driving by teenagers, suggesting preventive measures. 5

**OR**

You are disturbed by loud music played at night, write a letter to the Editor of 'Hindustan Times' expressing your feelings.

19. Write an article on 'Price Hike' in about 100-125 words. 5

**OR**

Write an article on your favourite political leader in about 100-125 words.

**Section – C**  
**Literature**

**Multiple Choice Questions:-**

Read the following extract and answer the questions from 20 to 23.

Driving from my parent's  
home to Cochin last Friday  
morning, I saw my mother,  
beside me,  
doze, open mouthed, her face  
ashen like that of a corpse and realised with pain

20. Name the poem. 1  
(A) A Thing of Beauty (B) My mother at sixty-six  
(C) Keeping quiet (D) None of these
21. Who has composed the given poem? 1  
(A) Kamala Das (B) Sarojini Naidu  
(C) Pablo Neruda (D) John Keats
22. Where was the poet driving to? 1  
(A) Parent's home (B) The airport  
(C) The city (D) Cochin
23. Who was sitting beside the poet? 1  
(A) Her daughter (B) Her mother  
(C) Her Sister (D) Her friend
24. A thing of beauty is a joy forever. Its loveliness- 1  
(A) increases (B) decreases  
(C) remains constant (D) None of these
25. Referring to the poem 'An Elementary school classroom in a slum'. Where are the children sitting? 1  
(A) in the playground (B) in the classroom  
(C) in the cinema hall (D) in the school verandah
26. Who was sitting at the back of the elementary classroom? 1  
(A) a tall girl (B) an old lady  
(C) sweet and young boy (D) paper-seeming boy
27. What are the things of beauty mentioned in the poem 'A Thing of Beauty'? 1  
(A) Sun and moon (B) young trees and streams  
(C) flowers (D) All of these
28. Where has Saheb come from? 1  
(A) Dhaka (B) Beijing  
(C) Islamabad (D) Burma

29. "Sometimes I find a Rupee in the garbage." Who is the speaker of this line? 1  
(A) Anees Jung (B) Saheb  
(C) Mukesh (D) Savita
30. Name the city where Mukesh lives? 1  
(A) Ahmedabad (B) Firozabad  
(C) Allahabad (D) Delhi
31. Which country was defeated in the Franco-Prussian War? 1  
(A) France (B) Prussia  
(C) Germany (D) None of these
32. Which language was taught by M. Hamel in school? 1  
(A) English (B) French  
(C) Chinese (D) German
33. Who is the author of 'Deep Water'? 1  
(A) Jane Austen (B) William Douglas  
(C) Alphonse Doudet (D) Bama
34. 'Indigo' is an excerpt from which book of the author? 1  
(A) The life of Mahatma Gandhi (B) Men and politics  
(C) Life of Lenin (D) Of Men and mountains
35. Who was Rajkumar Shukla? 1  
(A) A Government of Official (B) A poor peasant  
(C) A lawyer (D) A politician
36. Who is the writer of 'We Too are Human Beings'? 1  
(A) Zitkala-Sa (B) Bama  
(C) John Updike (D) Kalki
37. Who is the main character of the story 'The Tiger king'? 1  
(A) The Maharaja of Pratibandapuram (B) The Maharaja of shantipuram  
(C) The Maharaja of Shaktipuram (D) None of the above
38. Who was Jansie in 'Going places'? 1  
(A) Sophie's mother (B) Sophie's friend  
(C) Sophie's sister (D) Sophie's teacher
39. How many years ago did Gondwana exist? 1  
(A) 50 million years (B) 650 million years  
(C) 60 million years (D) 70 million years
40. Who was Dr. Sadao? 1  
(A) a teacher (B) a bus-conductor  
(C) a doctor (D) a soldier
41. In which hour was the prince of Pratibandapuram born? 1  
(A) In the hour of the bull (B) In the hour of the Tiger  
(C) Both A and B (D) None of the above
42. "Let tigers beware!" Who said this? 1  
(A) Astrologers (B) Palmist  
(C) The prince Jung Jung Bahadur (D) The Minister

43. Whose face was burned away by the acid? 1  
 (A) Derry's Mother (B) Mr. Lamb  
 (C) Derry's Sister (D) Derry
44. Bama was the pen name of a ..... dalit writer. 1  
 (A) Tamil (B) Telugu  
 (C) Kannada (D) Marathi

Fill in the blanks by choosing correct answer from the given box.

1×5=5

Englishmen, biscuit, Japanese,  
 participles, Madras

45. Sophie and Jansie are destined to work in the ..... factory. 1
46. Most of the arable land in Champaran districts was divided into large estates owned by..... 1
47. Dr Sadao Hoki's house was built on a spot of the ..... Coast. 1
48. Franz was expected to be prepared with ..... for school that day. 1
49. When the hundredth tiger was not found, the dewan brought a tiger from the People's Park in ..... 1

**Very Short answer Type Questions.**

2×5=10

50. What were the things on the wall of the classroom? 2
51. How is a thing of beauty a joy forever? 2
52. Why has mother been compared to the 'late winter's moon'? 2
53. Why had M. Hamel put on his special dress? 2
54. Who were Sophie and Jansie? 2

**Short answer Type Questions (40 Words).**

4×4=16

55. What does the 'Students on Ice' programme aim to do? 4

**OR**

What was Gondwana? What happened to it?

56. How did Kasturba Gandhi help the people of Champaran? 4

**OR**

How did J.B. Kripalani respond to Gandhiji's telegram announcing his arrival to Muzaffarpur?

57. How did Dr. Sadao Hoki help the American Soldier? 4

**OR**

Who was Annan? What did he say to little Bama?

58. Who was Tiger king? How did he kill the hundredth tiger? 4

**Long Answer Type Question (60 Words)**

5×1=5

59. Why was Douglas afraid of water? What happened to him as a child? 5

**OR**

How did little Bama learn about untouchability and caste system?