



Gujarat Secondary and Higher Secondary Board,
Gandhinagar
Std. 12 English (FL) (006) (Science Stream)
Annual Exam 2023-24

Time: 3 Hours

PAPER STYLE

Total Marks: 100

નોંધ : આ પરિરૂપ વિદ્યાર્થીઓ, શિક્ષકો, પ્રાશ્નિકો, મોડરેટર્સના વગેરેના માર્ગદર્શન માટે છે. જે તે વિષયોના પ્રાશ્નિક તેમજ મોડરેટર્સને માધ્યમિક અને ઉચ્ચતર માધ્યમિક શિક્ષણના બૃહદ્ હાર્દ/ઉદ્દેશને સુસંગત રહી પ્રશ્નપત્રની સંરચના બાબતે ફેરફાર કરવાની છૂટ રહેશે.

Weightage as per Objective :

Objectives	Knowl- edge	Under- Standing	Application	Higher order thinking skill		Total
				Synthesis and Analysis	Interpretation and Evaluation	
PART-A	13	12	12	07	06	50
PART-B	08	10	12	10	10	50
Total Marks	21	22	24	17	16	100

Weightages as pertype of Question : (PART-A)

Sr. No.	Type of Question	Number of Questions	Total Marks
1.	Multiple Choise Question (MCQs)	50	50

Weightages as pertype of Question : (PART-B)

Sr. No.	Type of Question	No. of Question		Total Marks
		With General Options	Without General Options	
1.	Very Short Answer Type	08	08	08
2.	Short Answer Type (SA)	15	09	18
3.	Long Answer Type (LA)	03	03	12
4.	Essay Type (EA)	02	02	12
	Total	28	22	50

Weightage as per Skill :

No.	Section (Part-B)	Marks
1.	Reading Skill	04
2.	Writing Skill	16
3.	Grammar	10
4.	Literature Comprehension	20
	Total	50



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Q.no.	Subjects	marks
	PART - A	
1 to 50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prose (Flamingo) Poetry (Flamingo) Supplementary (Vistas) Language and Grammar 	20 Marks 20 Marks 05 Marks 13 Marks
	PART : B	
	Section - A (Prose-Flamingo)	
1 to 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prose Textual Questions (Three out of five) 	06 Marks
	Section - B (Poetry- Flamingo and Supplementary - Vistas)	
6 to 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poetry Comprehension of Stanza (VSA) 	02 Marks
8 to 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poetry Textual Questions (Four out of six) 	08 Marks
14 to 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supplementary Questions (Two out of four) 	04 Marks
	Section - C	
18 to 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rectification of Errors 	03 Marks
21 to 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Idioms and Phrases 	03 Marks
24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direct- Indirect Speech (Paragraph) 	04 Marks
	Section-D	
25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data Interpretation OR Paraphrasing 	04 Marks
26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Job Application 	06 Marks
	Section - E	
27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Writing (Formal/Informal) 	04 Marks
28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essay OR Speech Writing 	06 Marks

Excluded Units:

Flamingo : Poem - An Elementary School Classroom in a Slum

Vistas : Unit-Should Wizard Hit Mommy ?

Unit—Evans Tries an O-Level



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PART - A

Instructions:

- (1) There are 50 multiple choice questions.
- (2) Each question carries one mark.
- (3) All questions are compulsory.

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- **Choose the correct option and darken the appropriate circle in the given OMR sheet. [50]**
1. M Hamel believed that his students' parents were not anxious enough to have their children learn and preferred to put them to work so as to have _____.
(A) a little more money (B) a little more help
(C) a lot more granary (D) a lot more mills
 2. According to M. Hamel, the French language was the most beautiful language in the world - _____; that must be guarded and never forgotten.
(A) the simplest, the most logical (B) the soundest, the most reasonable
(C) the clearest, the most logical (D) the clearest, the most interesting
 3. Vive La France means _____.
(A) Live long France (B) Living in France
(C) Leave France (D) Lively France
 4. Saheb-e-Alam did not go to school because _____.
(A) he preferred rag picking
(B) there was no school in his neighbourhood
(C) he wanted to sell tea
(D) he was not interested in studies
 5. Savita, a young girl in a drab pink dress, sits alongside an elderly woman, _____ in the chapter Lost Spring.
(A) soldering pieces of glass (B) rolling chapatis
(C) cooking dinner (D) listening to songs
 6. _____ is content to dream of cars that he sees hurtling down the streets of his town.
(A) Saheb (B) Mukesh (C) Anees (D) Ragpicker

7. Douglas' introduction to the Y. M. C. A. swimming pool revived _____.
(A) pleasant memories and childhood fantasies
(B) unpleasant memories and childhood fantasies
(C) pleasant memories and childhood fears
(D) unpleasant memories and childhood fears

8. _____ said, "All we have to fear is fear itself."
(A) William Douglas (B) Roosevelt
(C) Gilbert (D) Mr. Terror

• **Read the following passage and choose the correct answers for questions 9 to 11.**

Once upon a time there was a man who went around selling small rattraps of wire. He made them himself at odd moments, from the material he got by begging in the stores or at the big farms. But even so, the business was not especially profitable, so he had to resort to both begging and petty thievery to keep body and soul together. Even so, his clothes were in rags, his cheeks were sunken, and hunger gleamed in his eyes.

9. The business of selling the rattraps was quite _____.
(A) profitable (B) unprofitable (C) convenient (D) odd
10. Here, 'to keep body and soul together' means _____.
(A) to manage to keep alive (B) to take care of body for the soul
(C) to depend upon thievery (D) to eat to feel good
11. Hunger gleamed in his eyes means _____.
(A) his eyes were hungry
(B) his eyes were shining due to hunger
(C) there was expression of sadness in his eyes
(D) there was expression of feeling hungry displayed on his face
12. The writer of The Rattrap is _____.
(A) Alphonse Daudet (B) Selma Lagerlof
(C) Anees Jung (D) Louis Fischer
13. Where did Miss Willmansson learn about the tramp's reality ?
(A) At the forge (B) At the station
(C) At church (D) At home
14. December 1916 annual convention of the Indian National Congress party was held in _____.
(A) Lucknow (B) Tirhut
(C) Champaran (D) Muzzafarpur

15. Gandhiji chided the lawyers _____.
(A) for not supporting the sharecroppers
(B) for misguiding the sharecroppers
(C) for not counselling the sharecroppers
(D) for collecting big fee from the sharecroppers
16. Pancake was a brand name of _____ material.
(A) make-up (B) plastic (C) edible (D) clothing
17. The _____ has become a common place of journalism.
(A) debate (B) interview
(C) correspondence (D) criticism
18. _____ was the professor at the University of Bologna in Italy.
(A) Mukund Padmanabhan (B) David Lodge
(C) Christopher Silvester (D) Umberto Eco
19. 'Going Places' explores the theme of adolescent fantasising and _____.
(A) individual identity (B) self consciousness
(C) hero worship (D) peer pressure
20. Sophie day dreams about _____.
(A) Geoff (B) Danny Casey
(C) Jansie (D) Tom Finney
21. Kamala Das' poem 'My Mother at Sixty-six' is a good example of a _____.
(A) lyrical idiom (B) sonnet (C) haiku (D) limerick
22. Identify the figures of speech in the line, "I looked again at her wan, pale as a late winter's moon."
(A) Tautology and Antithesis (B) Oxymoron and Simile
(C) Tautology and Simile (D) Climax and Irony
23. The line, 'While greedy good-doers, beneficent beast of prey, swarm over their lives' appears in the poem _____.
(A) My Mother at Sixty-six (B) A Thing of Beauty
(C) Keeping Quiet (D) A Roadside Stand
24. Select the correct figure of speech that appear in the line, 'When everything seems dead and later proves to be alive.'
(A) Antithesis (B) Metonymy (C) Euphemism (D) Oxymoron
25. In the poem, _____ Neruda talks about the necessity of quiet introspection and creating a feeling of mutual understanding among human beings.
(A) Keep Quiet (B) Keep Silence
(C) Keeping Silence (D) Keeping Quiet

26. What will never pass into nothingness according to John Keats ?
 (A) A thing of beauty (B) Beautiful friends
 (C) Beautiful relationships (D) A thing from nature
27. According to Keats, we _____ to bind us to the earth.
 (A) dance in joyousness (B) wreath a flowery band
 (C) observe the nature keenly (D) live peacefully
28. From where does the endless fountain of immortal drink pour unto us according to Keats ?
 (A) From the mid forest brake (B) From the green world
 (C) From trees, old and young (D) From the heaven's brink
- **Read the following stanza and choose the correct answers for questions 29 and 30.**
- The little old house was out with a little new shed,
 In front at the edge of the road where the traffic sped,
 A roadside stand that too pathetically pled,
 It would not be fair to say for a dole of bread.
29. A roadside stand is erected for _____.
 (A) earning money (B) gaining sympathy
 (C) attracting the people (D) stopping traffic
30. "A roadside stand that too pathetically pled" means _____.
 (A) country people urge city people to buy things from them
 (B) country people are happy to exhibit their goods
 (C) country people are proud of their little new shed
 (D) country people want to stop the speeding traffic as it is risky
31. Who are referred to as "bright topaz denizens of a world of green" by Adrienne Rich ?
 (A) Giraffes (B) Cats (C) Leopards (D) Tigers
32. In her poem, Adrienne Rich addresses the _____ of married life a woman experiences.
 (A) bliss (B) constraints
 (C) free expression (D) autonomy
33. Charley comes across the third level at the _____.
 (A) New Haven (B) Grand Central Station
 (C) New York Central (D) Hartford Railroads

34. Who uttered the words, "Ignorance of the human body is the surgeon's cardinal sins, sirs!" ?
- (A) Sadao's wife
(B) Sadao's American professor of anatomy
(C) Sadao himself
(D) Sadao's General
35. The Tiger King was born in the hour of the _____.
(A) Tiger (B) Bull (C) Buffalo (D) Lion
36. The name of the Russian Research vessel boarded by Tishani Doshi was _____.
(A) Russian Shokalskiy (B) Adventure Shokalskiy
(C) College Shokalskiy (D) Akademik Shokalskiy
37. 'Memories of Childhood' presents _____ episodes from the lives of women from marginalized communities.
(A) autobiographical (B) biographical
(C) nostalgic (D) epistolary
38. The stranger made no attempt to dissimulate, (affirmative)
(A) The stranger made every attempt to dissimulate.
(B) The stranger refrained from making any attempt to dissimulate.
(C) The stranger made all attempts to dissimulate.
(D) The stranger refrains from making any attempt to dissimulate.
39. The place was quiet. (Interrogative)
(A) Wasn't the place quiet ? (B) Weren't the place quiet ?
(C) Didn't the place become quiet ? (D) Do you think the place was quiet ?
40. Do you know anything about cars? (Assertive)
(A) I know everything about cars. (B) I know nothing about cars.
(C) I know a little bit about cars. (D) I know something about cars.
41. He only stared at the young girl in boundless amazement. (Exclamatory)
(A) What only in boundless amazement he stared at the young girl !
(B) Oh ! in boundless amazement he stared at the young girl.
(C) How only in boundless amazement stared he at the young girl !
(D) How only in boundless amazement he stared at the young girl !
42. Select the correct synonym for: solemn
(A) sober (B) serious (C) humorous (D) gentle

43. Select the correct antonym for: treacherous
(A) safe (B) traitorous (C) deceitful (D) risky
44. Gandhi _____ to go first to Muzzafarpur, which was en route to Champaran ran.
(A) decide (B) decision (C) decisive (D) decided
45. The ironmaster assumed that he felt embarrassed because of his _____ clothing.
(A) miserly (B) miser (C) miserable (D) miserably
46. You do preach worse than a parson. (Change the Degree)
(A) A parson does not preach as bad as you.
(B) A parson does not preach as worse as you.
(C) You do not preach as bad as a parson.
(D) You do not preach as worse as a parson.
47. What is meant by this? (Change the Voice)
(A) What do you mean ? (B) What does this mean ?
(C) What was the meaning of this ? (D) What did you mean by this ?
48. I started writing novels by accident, _____? (Choose the correct question tag)
(A) didn't I ? (B) wasn't I ? (C) hadn't I ? (D) don't I ?
49. He stops at the door of one such house and pushes it open. (Choose the correct Simple Sentence)
(A) Stopping at the door of one such house, he pushes it open.
(B) Stopping at the door of one such house, he pushed it open.
(C) He stops at the door and pushes it open.
(D) Having stopped at the door, he pushed it open.
50. He was too afraid to go near water. (Remove 'too')
(A) He is so afraid that he cannot go near water.
(B) He was so afraid that he could not go near water.
(C) He was very afraid that he cannot go near water.
(D) He was very afraid of water.

PART - B (50 Marks)

Section - A

- **Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each. (Any Three) [06]**
1. Why should child labour be eliminated and how? Present your views based on the story, 'Lost Spring'.
 2. How did the instructor 'build a swimmer' out of Douglas? Answer with reference to 'Deep Water'.
 3. The peddler comes out as a person with a subtle sense of humour. How does this serve in lightening the seriousness of the theme of the story and also endear him to us ?

4. What caused the lack of communication between the Englishman and the people at Gemini Studios ?
5. Bring out the difference between Sophie and Jansie.

Section - B

- **Answer the following questions in one sentence.** [02]

For once on the face of the Earth
 Let's not speak in any language,
 Let's stop for one second,
 And not move our arms so much.
 It would be an exotic moment
 Without rush, without engines,
 We would all be together
 In a sudden strangeness.

Questions:

6. What does the poet want us to do ?
7. How has the poet described the moment without restlessness and worries ?
- **Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each. (Any Four) [08]**
8. What is the kind of pain and ache that Kamala Das feels ?
9. List the things of beauty mentioned by John Keats in his poem.
10. Do you think Pablo Neruda advocates total inactivity and death ? Explain.
11. What makes human begins love life in spite of troubles and sufferings? Clarify your views giving substantial examples with reference to the poem, 'A Thing of Beauty'.
12. Describe the plea of the folk who had put up the roadside stand.
13. Why do you think Aunt Jennifer created animals that are so different from her own character? What does this difference suggest ?
- **Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each. (Any Two) [04]**
14. How did the Maharaja prepare himself for the hundredth tiger which was supposed to decide his fate ?
15. "The world's geological history is trapped in Antarctica." How is the study of this region useful to us ?
16. Do you think that the third level was a medium of escape for Charley? Why ?
17. What is it that draws Derry to Mr. Lamb in spite of himself ?

Section - C

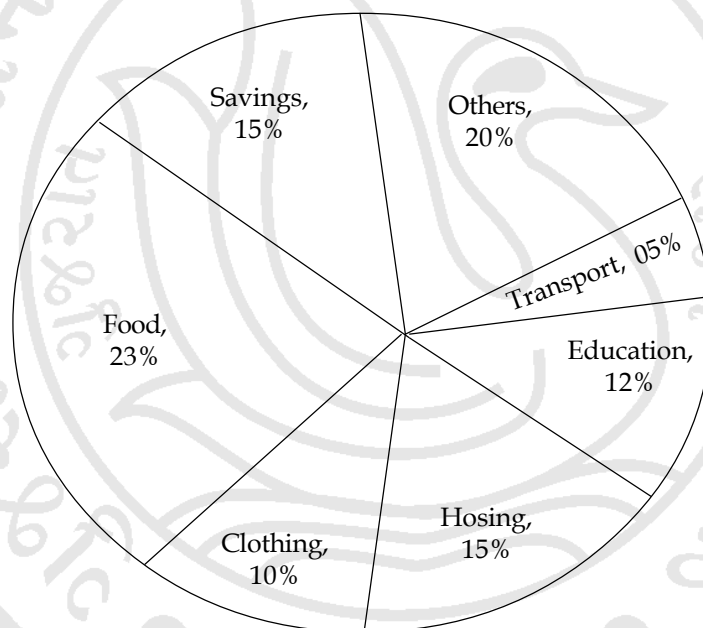
- **Rectify the errors.** [03]

	Error	Correction
Gandhiji and the lawyers now proceed to conduct	[18] _____	_____
a far-flung inquiring into the grievances of the farmers.	[19] _____	_____
The hole area throbbed with the activity.	[20] _____	_____

- Rewrite the sentences using the correct meanings of the given phrases/idioms. [03]
21. I never saw him look so tall, (grown physically taller, look very confident, stood on the chair)
 22. I wonder if this is only an excuse to explain away a perpetual state of poverty, (a situation of always being poor, an all empowering poverty, a not so stable state of poverty)
 23. It had never existed for any other purpose than to set baits for people, (have obstacles, set a goal for, offer temptations)
 24. Report the following into indirect form of narration. [04]
 "I am thinking of this stranger here," said the young girl. "He walks and walks the whole year long, and there is probably not a single place in the whole country where he is welcome and feel at home. Wherever he turns he is chased away."

Section - D

25. Study the following chart and interpret it in 6 to 7 sentences. [04]
 Person's monthly expenditure.



OR

25. Paraphrase the following poem.

If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;
 If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim;
 If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
 And treat those two impostors just the same;
 If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
 Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
 Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
 And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools.

26. You are Disha/Dipak Munshi. Apply with resume for the post of a Workshop Manager in ABC Car Company, GIDC, Gandhinagar. [06]

Section - E

27. Write an email to the Municipal Commissioner complaining him/her about the non functioning of street lights in your area. [04]

OR

27. Write an email to your friend describing your experience of Himalayan trekking camp.
28. Write an Essay in about 250 words on any One of the following topics. [06]

[A] Is it necessary to explore space ?

[yes/no—about space—its importance — various missions — your views]

[B] Entrance Exams - A Corridor to Advance Studies

[Necessity of Entrance Exams- its preparation-fear of it - your views]

OR

28. On the occasion of Youth Day Festival in your school, you are invited as the chief guest. Prepare a speech for the same in about 200 words.