

# SECONDARY SCHOOL EXAMINATION – 2024 (ANNUAL)

MODEL SET

*Sub. Code- 113*

ENGLISH (Compulsory)

Time: 3 Hours 15 minutes

Full Marks- 100

## **Instructions for the candidates :-**

1. Candidate must enter his/her Question Booklet Serial No. (10 Digits) in the OMR Answer Sheet.
2. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.
3. Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.
4. An extra time of 15 minutes has been allotted for the candidates to read the questions carefully.
5. This question booklet is divided into two sections – Section-A and Section-B.
6. In Section – A, there are 100 objective type questions, out of which 50 questions are to be answered. First 50 answers will be evaluated in case more than 50 questions are answered. Each question carries 1 mark. For answering these darken the circle with blue/ black ball pen against the correct option on OMR Answer Sheet provided to you. Do not use whitener/liquid/blade/nail, etc on OMR Answer Sheet, otherwise the result will be treated as invalid.
7. In Section- B, there are 11 Descriptive Answer Type Questions, which are to be answered.
8. Use of any electronic appliances is strictly prohibited.

## SECTION- A

### Objective Type Questions

Question Nos. 1 to 100 have four options out of which only one is correct. You have to mark your selected option on the OMR Answer Sheet. You have to attempt only 50 questions. (50x1=50)

**Instruction: Q. Nos. 1 to 60 are based on prescribed texts.**

1. In today's fast pace of our lives, our mind seems to work like .....  
(A) cars (C) machines  
(B) dogs (D) horses
2. Gillu loved to lie stretched out on the ..... to keep himself cool.  
(A) air-cooler (C) air-conditioner  
(B) surahi (D) fan
3. Jim was accused by Mr. Johnson for killing the small .....  
(A) tree (C) insect  
(B) bird (D) kitten
4. Aris says that the condition of the Burmese people was indeed .....  
(A) praiseworthy (C) pitiable  
(B) comfortable (D) hard
5. "Nobody is willing to do anything about ecology" – Who says this ?  
(A) Mr. Johnson (C) Mr. Smith

- (B) Jim (D) Mrs. Smith
6. Cinema is a kind of .....
- (A) creative expression (C) waste of time  
(B) hooliganism (D) absurdity
7. They nearly knocked ..... off her feet.
- (A) the young woman (C) the old woman  
(B) Akoulya (D) Malasha
8. An American film is a ..... model for a traditional Indian film.
- (A) bad (C) worse  
(B) good (D) worst
9. Mahadevi Verma believed that after Gillu's death, it will flower in the guise of a ..... Flower.
- (A) rose (C) lotus  
(B) juhi (D) hibiscus
10. The boy in 'Once Upon a Time' carries a ..... and a jug of warm cider.
- (A) suitcase (C) plate  
(C) lamp (D) bag
11. The elderly corn merchant lived in small ..... town.
- (A) Irish (C) Chinese  
(B) Japanese (D) African

12. "Well, I enjoy taking the car to the post office" ..... . Who says this ?
- (A) Mr. William (C) Mr. Johnson  
(B) Mr. George (D) Mrs. Solomon
13. Satyajit Ray does not hesitate in pointing out the ..... of Indian films.
- (A) accuracy (C) advantages  
(B) defects (D) copiousness
14. Many people in Burma died of ..... in the jungles.
- (A) diarrhoea (C) malaria  
(B) measles (D) fever
15. According to Toni Morrison ..... can bring about revolution in the world.
- (A) language (C) expression  
(B) music (D) feelings
16. The ..... was never a dead uniformity.
- (A) strength (C) weakness  
(B) unity (D) pride
17. The adult people were ready to hit each other when Akoulya's ..... stepped in.
- (A) grandfather (C) grandmother  
(B) uncle (D) neighbours

18. According to Humayun Kabir, the ..... of Indian culture is equally amazing.
- (A) vitality (C) toleration  
(B) society (D) civilization
19. The fast life of the Westerners is making them turn to .....
- (A) Indian Culture (C) Indian illiteracy  
(B) Indian population (D) Indian superstitions
20. Akoulya did not want ..... to splash water on her
- (A) Maria (C) Rozy  
(B) Malasha (D) Daisy
21. Every man, woman and child crave for a ..... Burma.
- (A) totalitarian (C) democratic  
(B) autocrative (D) despotic
22. Mahadevi Verma was elected Fellow of the ..... Academy.
- (A) Staff (C) Sahitya  
(B) Film (D) Documentary
23. 'Whose trees in summer yield him shade, in winter fire' is from.
- (A) Ode on Solitude (C) Martha  
(B) Polythene Bag (D) God Made the Country
24. The ..... light the whole village in the night.
- (A) torch (C) moonbeams  
(B) tube-light (D) bulbs

25. .... and polythene bag are compared in the poem 'Polythene Bag'
- (A) Grief (C) Hate  
(B) Love (D) Hurt
26. A man can be happy only when he has .....
- (A) huge amount of money (C) a palatial house  
(B) sound health (D) lots of jewellery
27. He 'is sweating and out of breath' : is from .....
- (A) The Sleeping Porter (C) Ode on Solitude  
(B) Koel (D) Thinner Than a Crescent
28. .... is so disturbed that she is unable to give right answers.
- (A) Krishna (C) Madhava  
(B) Radha (D) Rukmani
29. The rich man in 'The Empty Heart' prayed only for .....
- (A) one child (C) one set of jewellery  
(B) one pot of gold (D) one set of expensive clothes
30. The porter inspite of being poor is able to ..... peacefully.
- (A) sleep (C) run  
(B) drink (D) laugh
31. The Wish-yielding Tree gave one ..... pitcher apart from the seven pitchers.
- (A) full-filled (C) quarter-filled

- (B) half-filled (D) empty
32. The polythene bag is bad for the .....
- (A) body (C) environment  
(B) doors and windows (D) mental health
33. The porter's wife is desperate to feed her .....
- (A) son (C) herself  
(B) porter (D) her parents
34. Radha is 'hurt and ..... '.
- (A) correct (C) confused  
(B) wrong (D) irrelevant
35. 'But the Tree unkind took into its mind': is from .....
- (A) Martha (C) The Empty Heart  
(B) Ode on Solitude (D) Koel
36. Martha would sit with her hands clasped round her bended .....
- (A) knees (C) back  
(B) neck (D) shoulders
37. 'Speak! Speak! Why are thy leaves so still ?' is from :
- (A) Martha (C) Polythene Bag  
(B) Koel (D) The Sleeping Porter
38. Laxmi Prasad Devkota exiled himself to .....
- (A) Agra (C) Varanasi  
(B) Kanpur (D) Haridwar

39. 'Our hearts stood still in the hush  
Of an age gone by' ..... is from :
- (A) Martha (C) Koel  
(B) The Empty Heart (D) Polythene Bag
40. 'Tangacangili' is a collection of ..... by Periasamy Thooran.
- (A) poems (C) short stories  
(B) novels (D) essays
41. .... console at noon in the poem 'God Made the Country'
- (A) Houses (C) Cars  
(B) Air conditioners (D) Groves
42. Radha is growing ..... than the crescent.
- (A) larger (C) thinner  
(B) bigger (D) thicker
43. 'Hurt' is such .....polythene bag.
- (A) strong (C) good  
(B) strange (D) thin
44. Aris says that no one should underestimate the .....of the  
people of Burma.
- (A) anger (C) strength  
(B) condition (D) plight
45. Munni did not want to give money to the .....
- (A) tenant (C) landlord



- (B) Halku (D) Jabra
46. There were only a ..... pair of boots displayed in the shop.
- (A) few (C) couple
- (B) many (D) ten
47. Life had become very ..... for the daughter in Binapani Mohanty's piece.
- (A) mechanical (C) happy
- (B) boring (D) easy
48. When the banker peeped into the prisoner's room, he saw a ..... burning dimly.
- (A) lamp (C) candle
- (B) lantern (D) fire
49. Mansfield was able to portray the ..... of the children in 'Sun and Moon'
- (A) feelings (C) naughtiness
- (B) depression (D) anxieties
50. The daughter was unable to attain the ..... that her mother had.
- (A) honour (C) happiness
- (B) sacrifice (D) fulfillment
51. The girlfriend was ready to marry the narrator even if he did not become an ..... officer.

- (A) I.A.S. (C) I.R.S.  
(B) I.P.S. (D) I.F.S.
52. Halku invented a/an ..... when Munni blamed him for the destruction of crops.  
(A) machine (C) excuse  
(B) idea (D) habit
53. The lawyer played the piano in his ..... year of imprisonment.  
(A) fifth (C) sixth  
(B) first (D) second
54. Sun and Moon were allowed to meet the guests in the .....  
(A) garden (C) dining room  
(B) drawing room (D) playground
55. The daughter did not wish to ..... anymore.  
(A) dream (C) sleep  
(B) eat (D) work
56. "Your books gave me wisdom" – is from.  
(A) The Bet (C) Quality  
(B) January Night (D) Allergy
57. Anti-histamines provide ..... relief.  
(A) overall (C) sudden  
(B) temporary (D) specific

58. 'It was only our existence inside me that made me laugh on', is from :
- (A) Quality (C) The Bet  
(B) Sun and Moon (D) Two Horizons
59. 'The shop had a certain quiet distinction.' is from :
- (A) Sun and Moon (C) Quality  
(B) January Night (D) Love Defiled
60. Giridhar Jha is an alumnus of ..... University.
- (A) Rajasthan (C) Magadh  
(B) Patna (D) Jaipur

**Direction (61-64) : Choose the correct option of the following:**

61. Choose the correct antonym of 'Inferior' :
- (A) Superior (C) Low  
(B) Dull (D) Dishonest
62. Choose the correct antonym of 'Misery' :
- (A) Solid (C) Foe  
(B) Happiness (D) Initial
63. Choose the correct synonym of 'Tempt' :
- (A) persuade (C) Ask  
(B) Rival (D) Just
64. Choose the correct synonym of 'Amusement' :
- (A) Fun (C) Hide

(B) Rival

(D) Worried

**Direction (65 – 71) : Choose the most suitable preposition.**

65. He is standing ..... me.

(A) at

(C) in

(B) beside

(D) from

66. Do not scold her ..... her behaviour.

(A) for

(C) by

(B) in

(D) from

67. Why should we go ..... her house ?

(A) at

(C) of

(B) by

(D) to

68. Mental health depends ..... several factors.

(A) on

(C) from

(B) by

(D) of

69. You should not be angry ..... your friends.

(A) through

(C) for

(B) with

(D) in

70. The culprit is known ..... me.

(A) to

(C) of

(B) for

(D) by

71. I am waiting ..... my husband.

(A) at

(C) for

(B) in

(D) of

**Direction (72 – 74) : Choose the most suitable translation.**

72. रोज स्नान किया करो।

(A) Take a bath daily

(C) Daily take a bath.

(C) Bath take daily.

(D) Take bath everyday.

73. इस सब्जी को मत खाओ।

(A) Vegetable don't eat this. (C) Don't vegetable eat this.

(B) Eat this vegetable don't (D) Don't eat this vegetable

74. राधा को सभी लोग जानते हैं।

(A) Everybody knows Radha (C) Everybody Radha knowing

(B) Radha knows everybody (D) Everybody is knowing Radha.

**Direction (75 – 80) : Choose the correct option of the following :**

75. Direct speech of : Hari says that knowledge is the best gift.

(A) Hari can say, "Knowledge has to be the best gift."

(B) Hari will say, "Knowledge will be the best gift."

(C) Hari can say, "Knowledge has been the best gift."

(D) Hari says, "Knowledge is the best gift."

76. Direct speech of : Jeevan asked me if I could give him my car.

(A) Jeevan may say to me 'Can you give me your car ?'

(B) Jeevan says to me "Can you give me your car ?"

(C) Jeevan said to me, "Can you give me your car ?"

(D) Jeevan said to me, "Can you give me your car ?"

77. Direct speech of : She requested me to help her in trouble.
- (A) She said, "Please help me in trouble."
  - (B) She says, "Can you help me in trouble ?"
  - (C) She had said, "Will you help me in trouble ?"
  - (D) She asked, "Please help in trouble me."
78. Indirect speech of ; 'He said, "Rita, are you ready ?"
- (A) He says to Rita if she has been ready.
  - (B) He asked Rita if she was ready.
  - (C) He can ask Rita if she is ready.
  - (D) He asks to Rita whether she is ready.
79. Indirect speech of : My sister said to me, "Where are my clothes?"
- (A) My sister said to me if I know about her clothes.
  - (B) My sister enquired about her clothes for me.
  - (C) My sister asked me where her clothes were.
  - (D) My sister asks me about her clothes to me.
80. Indirect speech of : Ragini said, "How useful the machine is."
- (A) Ragini says that the book is very useful.
  - (B) Ragini exclaimed with surprise that the machine was very useful.
  - (C) Ragini will say that the machine is useful a lot.
  - (D) Ragini can say that the machine has been useful very much.

***Direction (81 – 86) : Choose the correct option of the following.***

81. Active voice of : The guitar is being played by Sangita.
- (A) Sangita has to play the guitar.
  - (B) Sangita is playing the guitar.
  - (C) Sangita will play the guitar
  - (D) Sangita played the guitar.
82. Active voice of : By whom has the book been taken ?
- (A) Who will have taken the book ?
  - (B) By who is the book taken ?
  - (C) The book has been took by whom ?
  - (D) Who has taken the book ?
83. Active voice of : Is a drama being written by Sujata ?
- (A) Is Sujata writing a drama?
  - (B) Was writing a drama by Sujata ?
  - (C) Sujata is writing a drama ?
  - (D) Has Sujata been writing a drama ?
84. Passive voice of : Send for a house-keeper.
- (A) Let a house-keeper be sent for.
  - (B) House-keeper be sent for by us.
  - (C) House-keeper has to be sent for.
  - (D) Sending a house-keeper for you.
85. Passive Voice of : Her father adored her.
- (A) She was adored by her father.

- (B) Adoring by her father was she.
- (C) Her father has to adore her.
- (D) To adore her is her father.
86. Passive Voice of : The delivery-man has delivered the package.
- (A) The package was to be delivered by the delivery man.
- (B) By the delivery man is the package delivered.
- (C) Package is to be delivered by the delivery-man.
- (D) The package has been delivered by the delivery-man.

***Direction (87 – 93) : Choose the correctly spelt word.***

87. (A) Megnitide (B) Megnaitude  
(C) Magnitude (D) Meganetude
88. (A) Panalty (B) Penalty  
(C) Penelty (D) Pinelty
89. (A) Almonds (B) Admonds  
(C) Elmund (D) Olmonds
90. (A) Voluntery (B) Voluntary  
(C) Vauntary (D) Valantary
91. (A) Permatted (B) Purmittad  
(C) Permitted (D) Paermitted
92. (A) Nicisury (B) Necessary  
(C) Necisury (D) Nicessuery
93. (A) Voilete (B) Vaclothe



(C) Veolate

(D) Violate

**Direction (94 – 100) : Choose the correct form of verb.**

94. A good Christian ..... to church everyday.

(A) goes

(B) went

(C) go

(D) gone

95. Good girls always ..... their work properly.

(A) do

(B) doing

(C) does

(D) did

96. Sunil succeeded because he ..... hard.

(A) working

(B) worked

(C) work

(D) car work

97. We ..... leave at once.

(A) may

(B) must

(C) could

(D) would

98. Kanti ..... to do it.

(A) ought

(B) would

(C) should

(D) will

99. Megha ..... speak the truth.

(A) needn't have

(B) ought

(C) should

(D) shall

100. .... has ruined his health.

(A) Can smoke

(B) Smoking

(C) Smoked

(D) Will smoke

## **SECTION- B**

### **Descriptive Type Questions**

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Priya was excited about her family trip to the beach. As she reached the sandy shores, she felt the cool breeze on her face. Priya built sand castles with her siblings and collected seashells along the shoreline. Suddenly, she noticed a starfish stranded on the sand. Worried about its safety, Priya gently picked it up and put it back in the water. She felt happy knowing she had helped the starfish find its way home.

### **Questions**

- (i) Where did Priya's family plan to go ? (1)
- (ii) What did Priya do at the beach ? (2)
- (iii) What did Priya notice on the sand ? (2)
- (iv) How did Priya help the starfish ? (2)

## **OR**

Ram was eager to try her hand at cooking. She asked her mother for a simple recipe and set out to make her favourite dish, aloo paratha. Rama carefully followed the steps, kneading the dough and stuffing it with spiced

potatoes. She cooked the parathas on a hot grill until they turned golden brown. Rama's family gathered around the dining table, ready to devour the delicious parathas. They praised Rama's cooking skills, motivating her to explore more recipes.

### **Questions**

- (i) What was Rama eager to do ? (1)
- (ii) What did Rama want to make ? (2)
- (iii) How did Rama make the parathas ? (2)
- (iv) How did Rama's family react to her cooking ? (2)

2. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Discipline teaches us self-control, self-restrain and respect for laws. It produces a sense of duty. There is discipline in heavenly bodies, stars and planets. The ordered growth and decay show that there is discipline everywhere in nature. The schools and colleges cannot run without discipline. Discipline makes us civilized. We learn to respect the views and rights of others. Games and sports make the players disciplined. Discipline stands for law and order. If there is no discipline in society, people will do as they please and that may be harmful for the society. Discipline keeps us within limits.

### **Questions**

- (i) What does discipline teach us ? (1)
- (ii) How do games and sports help players ? (2)

(iii) What will happen if there is no discipline in the society ? (2)

(iv) How does nature show that there is discipline everywhere ? (2)

## **OR**

Ashoka was a great emperor. He was extremely brilliant and fearless in his childhood. He thought that the duty of a great king was to protect the people and safeguard their rights. He gave protection to the public and made arrangement for justice. He instructed his officials to behave properly with the public. He engraved the message of justice and non-violence on pillars and installed them at different places. He opened hospitals for the infirm and the old where good treatment was given to the patients. He also opened hospitals for animals. He was really great as he advocated pity and mercy for all living creatures.

### **Questions :**

(i) How was Ashoka in his childhood ? (1)

(ii) What did Ashoka think about the duty of a king ? (2)

(iii) What message did he engrave on pillars ? (2)

(iv) What did he do for the old and the infirm ? (2)

3. Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow:

If you've tried and have not won,

Never stop for crying,

All that's good and great is done

Just by patient trying.

Though young birds, in flying, fall,  
Still their wings grow stronger,  
And the next time they can keep  
Up a little longer.

**Questions**

- (i) What is done by patient trying ? (2)
- (ii) How do the wings of the little birds grow stronger ? (2)
- (iii) What should we do if we have not won ? (2)

**OR**

Love this earth  
Love it as much as life itself  
Earth from which all life has come  
Earth to which all life returns  
Love its waters and keep them clean  
Water on which all life depends  
Love clear air  
Care enough to keep it clear  
Clear enough to see the stars  
And earth will remain beyond time.

**Questions**

- (i) How should we love this earth ? (2)
- (ii) Why should we love the waters ? (2)

(iii) Why should we love clear air ? (2)

4. Answer any five of the following questions: (5x2=10)

- a. How does the narrator in 'The Pace For Living' classify himself as a thinker ?
- b. When was Gillu's swing taken off ?
- c. Do Indian film makers possess the primary tools of film making ?
- d. Why had Alexander Aris accepted the Nobel Peace Prize on behalf of his mother ?
- e. What does the experience of European countries teach us ?
- f. Where do you find fields and groves ?
- g. Whose hurt melts down like polythene bag ?
- h. To whom does Radha's friend make a report ?
- i. Can allergic reactions be life-threatening ?
- j. Why was Mr. Gessler not successful in his trade ?

5. Write a paragraph on any one of the following in about 60-70 words:

(1x5=5)

- (i) My School Life.
- (ii) The Importance of Technology
- (iii) Air-Pollution
- (iv) Patriotism
- (v) No Pain, No Gain

**Direction (6-11): Answer any three from Q Nos. 6 to 11**

**(3x5=15)**

6. You are Abhay, the class-monitor of Class X<sup>th</sup>. Write a notice in about 60-70 words inviting entries for inter-class singing competition.
7. Write a report on your visit to Nalanda – a historical place.
8. Write an application to your class teacher requesting him to grant you leave for a week as you are suffering from dengue.
9. Write a letter to your mother about your preparations for the upcoming 'Sent-up' examinations.
10. You are Suresh. Write a speech in about 60-70 words on 'Advantages of Online Classes.'
11. You are Vivek. Write a message in about 30-40 words to your brother regarding your coming late after tuition as you have to discuss some topics with the teacher after class.