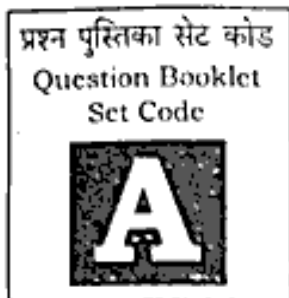


SECONDARY SCHOOL EXAMINATION - 2026

(ANNUAL)



ENGLISH (COMPULSORY)

113-
प्रश्न पुस्तिका क्रमांक
Question Booklet Serial No.

विषय कोड :
Subject Code : **113**

कुल प्रश्न : $100 + 11 = 111$

Total Questions : $100 + 11 = 111$

(समय : 3 घंटे 15 मिनट)

[Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes]

कुल मुद्रित पृष्ठ : 40

Total Printed Pages : 40

(पूर्णांक : 100)

[Full Marks : 100]

Instructions to the candidate :

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**.

A

6. In **Section-A**, there are 100 objective type questions, out of which **any 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 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 Sheet. Out of 100 questions you have to attempt only 50 questions.

$$50 \times 1 = 50$$

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

1. is the most striking feature of our Indian culture.

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|----------------------|----------------|
| (A) Non-interference | (B) Vitality |
| (C) Harmony | (D) Toleration |

2. Whose wife was a spendthrift ?

- (A) Hutchinson's nephew's
- (B) Hutchinson's cousin's
- (C) Hutchinson's brother's
- (D) Hutchinson's

3. Who got tired of trying to get Ms. Greene to do something about ecology ?
- (A) Mr. Johnson (B) Mr. Williams
- (C) Jim (D) Ms. Greene
4. According to Satyajit Ray, what Indian needs today is not gloss.
- (A) culture (B) clothes
- (C) cinema (D) music
5. 'Acceptance Speech' was delivered by Aris on December , 1991.
- (A) 10 (B) 4
- (C) 15 (D) 2
6. All were astonished by Gillu's and eyes.
- (A) rough fur (B) grey fur
- (C) smooth fur (D) brown fur

7. The author chooses to read the bird as
- (A) language (B) strength
- (C) gesture (D) pride
8. Humayun Kabir says that is a concept which cannot be simply defined.
- (A) society (B) toleration
- (C) civilization (D) culture
9. Sledging was over and lay in the yards.
- (A) snow (B) mud
- (C) stones (D) garbage
10. There is helping for each man.
- (A) one (B) three
- (C) two (D) four

11. Music in the villages is provided by the
- (A) birds (B) musician
(C) singer (D) radio
12. What slides softly away ?
- (A) Patience (B) Happiness
(C) Wealth (D) Years
13. The poem "Thinner than a Crescent" is all about and Krishna.
- (A) Vishnu (B) Radha
(C) Ram (D) Rukmini
14. The rich man ruined himself due to his
- (A) guilt (B) passion
(C) love (D) desire

15. 'The Listener' and 'Arabia' have been written by

- | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| (A) Walter de la Mare | (B) William Cowper |
| (C) Puran Singh | (D) Vidyapati |

16. The koel's spark-shedding kindle(s) fire.

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| (A) voice | (B) cries |
| (C) laughter | (D) notes |

17. The porter's body is and skeleton-like.

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|----------|-------------|
| (A) fat | (B) frail |
| (C) lean | (D) healthy |

18. The rich man prayed for one pot of

- | | |
|-------------|------------|
| (A) silver | (B) grains |
| (C) dollars | (D) gold |

19. The hurt caused by somebody remains within the human

(A) personality

(B) body

(C) character

(D) mind

20. Martha had a chin.

(A) narrow

(B) fat

(C) thick

(D) broad

21. The man was rich but not

(A) content

(B) dissatisfied

(C) jealous

(D) anxious

22. Martha's stories were as tranquil as

(A) dreams

(B) night

(C) silence

(D) sleep

23. Radha's friends want Radha's with Madhava.
- (A) separation (B) union
- (C) isolation (D) detachment
24. The hides among the mango leaves.
- (A) nightingale (B) parrot
- (C) sparrow (D) koel
25. "Steal from the world, and not a stone" is from
- (A) Ode On Solitude (B) God Made the Country
- (C) Polythene Bag (D) Martha
26. The author of "The Pace for Living" says one must develop the art of
- (A) quick thinking (B) quick walking
- (C) quick running (D) quick jumping

27. Halku was a farmer.

(A) tenant

(B) poor

(C) rich

(D) progressive

28. Allergies which start as eczema may evolve into

(A) inflammation

(B) typhoid

(C) asthma

(D) dengue

29. John Galsworthy was educated at

(A) Oxford

(B) Harrow

(C) Cambridge

(D) Harvard

30. The mother of Sun and Moon was running all over the

(A) garden

(B) kitchen

(C) house

(D) lawn

31. To stop rumours, the banker locked the lawyer's in his safe.
- (A) books (B) clothes
(C) note (D) wine
32. The daughter says that she can see no reason for the she feels.
- (A) sadness (B) weariness
(C) tension (D) anger
33. The last thing on the mind of the narrator and his girlfriend was
- (A) love (B) marriage
(C) separation (D) money
34. Halku's was destroyed by the wild animals.
- (A) home (B) boundary
(C) fence (D) crop

35. Sheets and blankets should be washed in hot water.
- (A) monthly (B) weekly
(C) daily (D) yearly
36. The lawyer played the during his first year of imprisonment.
- (A) violin (B) drums
(C) piano (D) guitar
37. The mother advises her daughter to seek within herself.
- (A) satisfaction (B) peace
(C) fulfilment (D) happiness
38. Halku was shivering with
- (A) fever (B) cold
(C) allergy (D) heat

39. Anton Chekhov was a author.
- (A) Indian (B) French
- (C) Russian (D) German
40. Vidyapati is primarily concerned with intense of Radha's love.
- (A) passion (B) separation
- (C) boredom (D) loneliness
41. Greed destroyed the rich man's
- (A) family (B) wealth
- (C) house (D) work
42. Sun off to the nursery from the party.
- (A) ran (B) stumped
- (C) cried (D) walked

A

43. The banker was when the lawyer escaped before the stipulated time.
- (A) angry (B) relieved
(C) confused (D) sad
44. A man who is content has limited
- (A) family (B) desires
(C) friends (D) waste
45. Periasamy successfully handled the and sonnets.
- (A) elegy (B) ode
(C) prose-poem (D) ballad
46. Martha's conveyed half of the stories.
- (A) expressions (B) behaviour
(C) dress (D) character

47. Mr. Gessler's shop was taken up by a man.
- (A) young (B) tall
- (C) bad (D) good
48. Gilly back in his nest on seeing any person other than the author.
- (A) crept (B) scuttled
- (C) crawled (D) walked
49. Satyajit Ray composed for his own films.
- (A) script (B) story
- (C) music (D) songs
50. There were even before the Aryan invasion.
- (A) people (B) plunderers
- (C) invaders (D) crusaders

51. Halku warmed himself by burning some

(A) wood

(B) leaves

(C) paper

(D) grass

52. What is suggested to avoid allergy ?

(A) Wearing pollen masks

(B) Sleeping well

(C) Driving around

(D) Eating vitamins

53. The grow in the grief's garbage bin.

(A) flowers

(B) vegetables

(C) fruits

(D) germs of the disease

54. "The the garden, the brighter burns my heart."

(A) lighter

(B) greener

(C) heavier

(D) darker

55. The little girls were hardly about the fight.

(A) enjoyed

(B) cherished

(C) agitated

(D) concerned

56. Who makes a run for the car ?

(A) Jim

(B) Mr. Johnson

(C) Ms. Greene

(D) Mr. Williams

57. ECP can be detected in

(A) excreta

(B) body fluids

(C) blood

(D) inflammation

58. Style and in Indian cinema should be simplified.

(A) music

(B) painting

(C) content

(D) techniques

59. The author advises Ms. Greene to save

- (A) steel utensils (B) dusters
(C) cups (D) aluminium cans

60. A man has no cares and anxieties.

- (A) blessed (B) wicked
(C) poor (D) rich

Direction (61 - 67) : Choose the most suitable preposition :

61. He is blind his son's faults.

- (A) in (B) for
(C) to (D) of

62. I am waiting my father.

- (A) for (B) by
(C) from (D) at

A

63. Why are you angry me ?

- (A) upon ~~(B)~~ with
(C) on (D) at

64. Beware mad dogs.

- (A) from (B) at
(C) of (D) in

65. He agreed my proposal.

- (A) from (B) to
- (C) above (D) of

66. The servant put the light.

- (A) in (B) out
(C) down (D) by

67. It has been raining Monday.

- (A) on
- (B) since
- (C) for
- (D) from

Direction (68 – 71) : Choose the correct option of the following :

68. Indirect speech of : He said, "I play football."

- (A) He said that he is playing football
- (B) He says that he is playing football
- (C) He said that he played football
- (D) He will say that he played football

69. Direct speech of : I asked her why she was sad.

- (A) I will tell her, "Why have you been sad ?"
- (B) I said her, "Why are you sad ?"
- (C) I enquired to her, "Why sad are you ?"
- (D) I ask her, "Why sad you are ?"

70. Indirect speech of : Raman said, "I might meet him."

(A) Raman will say that he must meet him

(B) Raman had said that he will meet him

(C) Raman is saying that he will meet me

(D) Raman said that he might meet him

71. Direct speech of : She asked me what I was doing there.

(A) She said to me, "What are you doing here ?"

(B) She will say to me, "What am I doing here ?"

(C) She can ask me, "What is I doing here ?"

(D) She says to me, "What doing here am I ?"

Direction (72 - 77) : Choose the correct option of the following :

72. Choose the correct synonym of 'Jealousy' :

(A) Joy

(B) Liberty

(C) Envy

(D) Hide

73. Choose the correct antonym of 'Knowledge' :

(A) Sorrow

(B) Despair

(C) Misery

(D) Ignorance

74. Choose the correct synonym of 'Enquiry' :

(A) Question

(B) Utter

(C) Vision

(D) Desire

75. Choose the correct synonym of 'Chance' :

(A) Certainly

(B) Possibility

(C) Just

(D) Forgive

76. Choose the correct antonym of 'Silence' :

(A) Rude

(B) Shut

(C) Noise

(D) Tight

77. Choose the correct antonym of 'Punish' :

(A) Shut

(B) Hate

(C) Old

(D) Reward

Direction (78 – 83) : Choose the correct spelling :

78. (A) Repelite

(B) Rauptele

(C) Reptile

(D) Raptile

79. (A) Candision

(B) Cundision

(C) Condition

(D) Cowndition

80. (A) Vartui

(B) Vaurtue

(C) Veurtue

(D) Virtue

81. (A) Bruses

(B) Bruesis

(C) Bruises

(D) Breuses

82. (A) Taksure

(B) Texture

(C) Taxturi

(D) Taexture

83. (A) innocence

(B) Inocence

(C) Inucense

(D) Ineucence

Direction (84 – 87) : Choose the correct option of the following :

84. Passive voice of : "They grow these flowers in Patna.", is

(A) These flowers grew in Patna

(B) These flowers were grown in Patna

(C) These flowers are being grown in Patna

(D) These flowers are grown in Patna

85. Active voice of : "My cup has been broken by you.", is

(A) You have broken my cup

(B) You had broken my cup

(C) By you was my cup broken

(D) You have taken my broken cup

A

86. Passive voice of : "Let us forget the past.", is

(A) Let the past and us be forgotten

(B) Let not the past be forgotten

(C) We must let to forget the past

(D) Let the past be forgotten

87. Active voice of : A song would be sung by Nidhi today. , is

(A) Nidhi is singing a song today

(B) Nidhi will sing a song today

(C) Nidhi will have to sing a song today

(D) Nidhi must be singing a song today

Direction (88 – 91) : Choose the correct option of the following :

88. I go out ?

(A) Might

(B) Could

(C) May

(D) Ought

89. You work for the society.

(A) could

(B) used to

(C) ought

(D) should

90. We keep our promises.

(A) need

(B) might

(C) must

(D) could

A

91. We eat so that we live.

(A) ought to

(B) must

(C) might

(D) may

Direction (92 – 95) : Choose the correct option of the following :

92. One of the students passed the test.

(A) are

(B) have

(C) is

(D) has

93. Some cars beautiful.

(A) is

(B) has

(C) are

(D) have

94. Each labourer a meal.

(A) get

(B) getting

(C) gets

(D) has get

95. Sixty miles a long distance.

(A) is

(B) were

(C) are

(D) have

Direction (96 – 100) : Choose the most suitable translation :

96. वह बहुत अच्छा गाता है ।

(A) He sings nicely

(B) He is a good singer

(C) He sings well very

(D) He sings very well

A

97. मैं स्कूल जा रहा हूँ ।

(A) I am going school

(B) I am going to school

(C) I am gone school

(D) I am gone to my school

98. रमेश कैसे जा सकता है ?

(A) How does Ramesh go ?

(B) How is Ramesh going ?

(C) How must Ramesh go ?

(D) How can Ramesh go ?

99. वह बहुत बोलती है ।

(A) She talking a lot

(B) She will talk a lot

(C) She talks a lot

(D) She has to talk lot

100. क्या तुम आ सकते हो ?

(A) Can you come ?

(B) Can you will come ?

(C) Can you still coming ?

(D) Must you come ?

SECTION - B**(Descriptive Type Questions)**

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

(The Industrial Revolution was a transformative period in human history, marking the shift from manual labour to machine-based manufacturing) It began in Britain in the late 18th century and spread to other parts of the world over the next century. The revolution had far-reaching impacts on society, economy and politics. New technologies and factories emerged, and people moved from rural areas to cities for work. While it brought many benefits,

such as increased productivity and economic growth, (it also led to exploitation of workers, environmental degradation and social inequality.)

Questions :

- | | |
|---|---|
| i) What was the Industrial Revolution ? | 1 |
| ii) Where did the Industrial Revolution begin ? | 2 |
| iii) What was the impact of the Industrial Revolution ? | 2 |
| iv) What did it lead to ? | 2 |

OR

(The human nose is capable of detecting an astonishing number of different scents.) (Our sense of smell is closely linked to our memory and emotions, and smells can evoke powerful emotional responses)

(The olfactory system is also closely linked to the brain's limbic system) which is responsible for processing emotions and motivations.

Questions :

- i) What is unique about the human sense of smell ? 2
- ii) How is our sense of smell linked to our emotions ? 2
- iii) What system is closely linked to the olfactory system ? 2
- iv) What is human nose capable of ? 1

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

Reading books is a great way to learn new things. ¹It can help us improve our vocabulary and understanding. ²Reading can also be a fun and relaxing activity. Through reading, we can explore different cultures, and gain valuable insights into the human condition. ³Reading is a gift that enriches our lives, and opens doors to new possibilities.

Questions :

- | | |
|---|---|
| i) What are the benefits of reading books ? | 1 |
| ii) How can reading books help us ? | 2 |
| iii) What kind of activity is reading ? | 2 |
| iv) Why is reading called a gift ? | 2 |

OR

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The impact of social media on society is a topic of ongoing debate.

While social media has many benefits, such as connecting people and providing a platform for self-expression, it also has some negative effects. Social media can be addictive, and excessive use can lead to feelings of loneliness, anxiety and depression.

Additionally, social media can be a breeding ground for cyber bullying and online harassment.

Questions :

- | | |
|---|---|
| i) What are some benefits of social media ? | 1 |
| ii) What are the negative effects of social media ? | 2 |
| iii) What can social media lead to ? | 2 |
| iv) What are the threats associated with it ? | 2 |

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

Hope is the thing with feathers

That perches in our soul,

And sings the tune without the words,

And never stops at all.

And sweetest in the gale is heard,

And sore must be the storm,

That could abash the little bird,

That kept so many warm.

Questions :

- | | |
|---|---|
| i) What is hope compared to in the poem ? | 2 |
| ii) How does hope behave in difficult times ? | 2 |
| iii) What is the power of hope ? | 2 |

OR

OR

The sun's warm rays on skin so fair,

Bring life to all, without a care.

The world awakens, fresh and new,

A day begins, with hope anew.

The birds sing sweet, their morning song,

As morning dew, on grass does belong.

The world's alive, with vibrant hue,

A beautiful day, for me and you.

Questions :

- | | | |
|------|--|---|
| i) | What is the speaker describing in the poem ? | 2 |
| ii) | How does the speaker feel about the sun's warmth ? | 2 |
| iii) | What does the poem suggest about new beginnings ? | 2 |

4. Answer any *five* of the following questions :

5 × 2 = 10

a) What does Aris say about the fight going on in Rangoon ?

b) What does the cinema combine ?

c) How did the author try to feed the squirrel ?

d) Why did Akoulya's mother seize Malasha ?

e) What are the birds scared of ?

f) Why is Radha crying ?

g) Who is challenging the mountains ?

h) How did the rich man wreck his health ?

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

1 × 5 = 5

i) My Favourite Book

- ii) My Goals and Aspirations
- iii) Importance of Extra-curricular Activities
- iv) A Village Market
- v) Health is Wealth.

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

$3 \times 5 = 15$

- 6. You are Raman, the treasurer of the Cultural Club in your school.
Write a notice in about 60 – 70 words for donation for the poor students in your school.
- 7. Write a report on the flood situation in Patna.
- 8. Write an application to the Hostel Warden for a seat in the hostel.
- 9. Write a letter to your mother informing her of your illness.

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10. You are Ranjan. Write a speech in about 60 – 70 words on 'Importance of Discipline'.
11. You are Trishna. Write a message in about 30 – 40 words to your friend inviting him for a get-together at your place.