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प्रश्न पुस्तिका सेट  
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कुल प्रश्न : 100 + 7 = 107

Total Questions: 100 + 7 = 107

(समय : 3 घंटे 15 मिनट)

[Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes]

कुल मुद्रित पृष्ठ : 26

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[Full Marks : 100]

#### Instructions for the candidates: -

1. The 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 only 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 the questions, 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. Section-B, there are 7 Descriptive Answer Type Questions, which are to be answered.
8. Use of any electronic appliances is strictly prohibited.

**SECTION-A**  
**Objective Type Questions**

*Questions 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 any 50 questions only.*

50 x 1 = 50

1. Divya brought \_\_\_\_\_ information with her. (Choose the correct option)  
(A) some (B) several  
(C) any (D) many
  
2. Children often have their way \_\_\_\_\_ throwing tantrums. (Choose the correct option)  
(A) from (B) with  
(C) by (D) for
  
3. A suspension bridge was built \_\_\_\_\_ the river. (Choose the correct option)  
(A) under (B) in  
(C) over (D) by
  
4. The students decided to go to school \_\_\_\_\_ foot. (Choose the correct option)  
(A) by (B) on  
(C) at (D) through

5. I \_\_\_\_\_ return before sunset to avoid dark alleys. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) used (B) shall  
(C) can (D) might
6. Shabnam has \_\_\_\_\_ MBA from Harvard. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) a (B) the  
(C) an (D) no article
7. He exclaimed with relief that his father had returned safe from the battlefield.  
(Choose the correct direct narration)
- (A) He said, "I am relieved my father had returned safe from the battlefield."  
(B) He exclaimed, "My father returned safe from the battlefield."  
(C) He sighed with relief, "My father has returned safe from the battlefield."  
(D) He said with relief, "My father had returned safe from the battlefield."
8. By the next year, I \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) French for five years. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) will learn (B) will have learned  
(C) have learned (D) would learn
9. She \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the market tomorrow. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) went (B) goes  
(C) will go (D) have gone

10. The jury \_\_\_\_\_ divided in their opinion. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) was (B) were  
(C) is (D) has been
11. They say that they \_\_\_\_\_ going to travel abroad the following month. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) are (B) is  
(C) have been (D) had been
12. The vines were \_\_\_\_\_ the garden through the broken fence. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) creeping down (B) creeping under  
(C) creeping into (D) creeping off
13. The dog stuck out \_\_\_\_\_ tongue. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) his (B) her  
(C) its (D) hers
14. Rachna has been living in New York \_\_\_\_\_ 2005. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) from (B) by  
(C) since (D) for
15. Harshita looks exhausted. She \_\_\_\_\_ be sick. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) must (B) Shall  
(C) Can (D) might

16. Ranjit \_\_\_\_\_ apologize for his mistake. (Choose the correct option)

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| (A) need | (B) ought to |
| (C) can  | (D) shall    |

17. Choose the correctly spelled word: (Choose the correct option)

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|---------------|---------------|
| (A) Insoluble | (B) Insolubel |
| (C) Insolable | (D) Insolebel |

18. The police caught the thief. (Choose the correct option)

- (A) The thief has been caught by the police
- (B) The thief was to be caught by the police
- (C) The thief was caught by the police
- (D) The sentence cannot be changed into passive voice.

19. "Don't touch the hot stove", warned my mother. (Choose the correct option)

- (A) My mother warned me that I should touch the hot stove.
- (B) My mother warned me to not touch the hot stove.
- (C) My mother warned me not to touch the hot stove.
- (D) My mother warned me to touch the hot stove.

20. She studied well. She failed the exam. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) She studied well because she failed the exam.
  - (B) She studied well so she failed the exam.
  - (C) She studied well but she failed the exam.
  - (D) She studied well and she failed the exam.
21. The word 'bow' in the sentence "Take a bow after your performance" means:  
(Choose the correct option)
- (A) The front of a ship
  - (B) A ribbon tied around a package
  - (C) A gesture of respect
  - (D) A medieval weapon
22. She said that she \_\_\_\_\_ speak French when she was young. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) may
  - (B) could
  - (C) Can
  - (D) might
23. If he \_\_\_\_\_ more careful, he wouldn't have met with an accident. (Choose the correct option)
- (A) was
  - (B) had been
  - (C) were
  - (D) has been
24. Choose the correctly ordered sentence.
- (A) They on the weekends often play football.
  - (B) Often they play football on the weekends.
  - (C) They often play football on the weekends.

(D) They play football often on the weekends.

25. Arun saw \_\_\_\_\_ artifacts in the museum. (Choose the correct option)

(A) many

(B) much

(C) any

(D) a little

26. The couple stayed in Kerela \_\_\_\_\_ two weeks. (Choose the correct option)

(A) since

(B) for

(C) by

(D) through

27. The synonym of Interesting is :

(A) crucial

(B) fascinating

(C) boring

(D) puny

28. The synonym of Conflict is:

(A) accord

(B) strife

(C) harmony

(D) consensus

29. The antonym of Ascend is

(A) defence

(B) advance

(C) ancient

(D) descend

30. The antonym of Rapid is:

(A) sluggish

(B) foolish

(C) humble

(D) swift

31. The antonym of Frank is:

(A) greedy

(B) timid

(C) reserved

(D) miserable

32. "Break the ice" means: (Choose the correct option)

(A) To smash something

(B) To make a mistake

(C) To start a conversation

(D) To indulge in a fight

33. Alina is \_\_\_\_\_ university Student. (Choose the correct option)

(A) an

(B) a

(C) the

(D) no article

34. Shikha asked me if I had seen her book. (Choose the correct option)

(A) Shikha said, "Have you seen the book"?

(B) Shikha asked me. "Did you see my book"?

(C) Shikha asked me, "Have you seen my book?"

(D) Shikha asked, "Had you seen the book"?

35. The passengers \_\_\_\_\_(wait) in the lounge for hours. (Choose the correct option)

(A) are waiting

(B) waits

(C) have been waiting

(D) had waited



36. He said that he \_\_\_\_\_ to the park the previous day. (Choose the correct option)

(A) had gone

(B) has gone

(C) goes

(D) is going

37. I will call you \_\_\_\_\_ I reach home. (Choose the correct option)

(A) while

(B) when

(C) since

(D) then

38. Choose the correct sentence :

(A) The lion are roaring loudly in the forest

(B) The lion roared loudly in the forest

(C) The lion is roared loudly in the forest

(D) The lion roar loudly in the forest.

39. Garima is interested \_\_\_\_\_ buying a new laptop. (Choose the correct option)

(A) to

(B) for

(C) in

(D) at

40. Abhishek ran fast \_\_\_\_\_ the pavement. (Choose the correct option)

(A) is

(B) on

(C) at

(D) for

41. You \_\_\_\_\_ not add extra spices to the soup. (Choose the correct option)

(A) might

(B) need

(C) shall

(D) ought

42. We \_\_\_\_\_ help those in need. (Choose the correct option)

(A) should

(B) may

(C) can

(D) might

43. The synonym of Small is:

(A) gross

(B) enormous

(C) trivial

(D) vital

44. The antonym of Captivity is :

(A) humility

(B) liberty

(C) timidity

(D) compassion

45. "Once in a blue moon" means:

(A) frequently

(B) never

(C) rarely

(D) daily

46. The book Crime and Punishment was written by Dostoevsky. (Choose the correct active voice)

(A) Dostoevsky has written the book Crime and Punishment.

- (B) Dostoevsky writes the book Crime and Punishment.
- (C) Dostoevsky wrote the book Crime and Punishment.
- (D) Dostoevsky had written the book Crime and Punishment.

47. The Board will announce the results tomorrow. (Choose the correct passive voice).

- (A) The results are announced by the Board tomorrow
- (B) The results will be announced by the Board tomorrow.
- (C) The results have been announced by the Board tomorrow.
- (D) The results were announced tomorrow by the Board.

48. "Alas! Our team has lost the match", they said. (Choose the correct indirect speech)

- (A) They said with sorrow that their team lost the match.
- (B) They exclaimed with sorrow that their team had lost the match.
- (C) They exclaimed sadly that their team lost the match.
- (D) They said with grief that their team has lost the match.

49. Which of the following sentences has the correct word order?

- (A) I went yesterday to the store.      (B) To the store I went yesterday.
- (C) Went I to the store yesterday.      (D) Yesterday I went to the store.

50. Politicians seldom talk sense \_\_\_\_\_ television. (Choose the correct option)

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

51. Ananya hid her toys \_\_\_\_\_ the table. (Choose the correct option)

(A) along

(B) at

(C) under

(D) across

52. The online English class was scheduled \_\_\_\_\_ 10:00 AM. (Choose the correct option)

(A) at

(B) in

(C) by

(D) on

53. One \_\_\_\_\_ not spit in public spaces. (Choose the correct option)

(A) can

(B) must

(C) would

(D) may

54. The synonym of Abundance is:

(A) scarcity

(B) poverty

(C) plenty

(D) courtesy

55. Choose the correctly spelled word :

(A) ocassion

(B) occassion

(C) occasion

(D) ocasion

56. Was the movie watched by Akshara? (Choose the correct active voice)

(A) Did Akshara watch the movie?

(B) Had Akshara watched the movie?

(C) Is Akshara watching the movie?

(D) Did Akshara watched the movie?

57. The company\_\_\_\_\_ (expand) its operations to several countries by 2020.

(Choose the correct option)

(A) expands

(B) has expanded

(C) is expanding

(D) had expanded

58. My brother, along with his friends, \_\_\_\_\_going to the concert. (Choose the correct option)

(A) is

(B) were

(C) have been

(D) are

59. Politics\_\_\_\_\_ a tricky subject. (Choose the correct option)

(A) is

(B) have been

(C) were

(D) are

60. She went to work\_\_\_\_\_ she was feeling unwell. (Choose the correct option)

(A) because

(B) although

(C) so

(D) and

**Direction: Questions from 61 to 100 are based on the prescribed texts.**

61. In 'Sweetest Love, I Do Not Goe', to which natural event does the poet compare his return?

(A) The rising of the moon

(B) The return of spring.

(C) The sun rising after setting yesternight

(D) The flowing of a river.

62. What, according to Mahatma Gandhi, is the true test of a civilization?
- (A) Its military strength. (B) Its economic prowess  
(C) Its moral and spiritual progress (D) Absolute freedom and liberty
63. In 'Bharat is My Home', Dr Zakir Hussain compares the nation to :
- (A) a garden (B) a temple  
(C) a home (D) a school
64. What central idea does Walt Whitman express in the poem "Song of Myself"?
- (A) The importance of wealth  
(B) The unity of all human beings and nature  
(C) The need for personal achievements  
(D) The rejection of society
65. Who is Nanukaka in the story 'A Pinch of Snuff'?
- (A) The narrator's uncle (B) An astrologer  
(C) The narrator's father (D) A politician
66. The Lines, "Nurses to their graves are gone,/ But the prams go rolling on" are taken from.:
- (A) An Epitaph (B) Snake  
(C) Now the Leaves are Falling Fast (D) Fire-Hymn

67. Where was 'I Have A Dream' speech delivered?
- (A) Lincoln Memorial, Washington D.C. (B) The Red Fort, New Delhi  
(C) Capitol Hill, Washington D.C. (D) Buckingham Palace, England
68. Which of the following ideas is not mentioned by Bertrand Russell in the essay 'Ideas That Have Helped Mankind'?
- (A) The taming of domestic animals (B) The invention of agriculture  
(C) The art of writing (D) The art of war
69. Which of the following is not an image of autumn described in the poem 'Ode to Autumn'?
- (A) Ripened fruits and flowers (B) The bleating of the full-grown lambs  
(C) Swallows twittering in the sky (D) Snow-laden mountain peaks
70. 'The Soldier' by Rupert Brooke is :
- (A) an ode (B) a sonnet  
(C) a ballad (D) a dramatic monologue
71. Where did Seimei live?
- (A) In a bustling city (B) In a village by the forest  
(C) In a harbour town one could cross in twenty minutes  
(D) In a mountain hamlet

72. What, according to Pearl S Buck, was the most important thing for understanding India?

- (A) Reading Indian Literature. (B) Learning Indian languages.  
(C) Meeting common Indian people. (D) Studying Indian history.

73. Which of the following is not one of the four dialects of Old English?

- (A) Kentish. (B) West Saxon  
(C) West Midland (D) Mercian

74. Which of the following is a famous work from the Middle English period?

- (A) Paradise Lost (B) The Canterbury Tales  
(C) Beowulf (D) Utopia

75. Which event in 1476 helped standardize Modern English spelling and grammar?

- (A) The Norman Conquest (B) The Renaissance  
(C) Introduction of Printing Press by Caxton  
(D) The Industrial Revolution

76. The word 'bazaar' was borrowed by English from which of the following languages?

- (A) Hindi (B) Arabic  
(C) Persian (D) Turkish



77. Who among the following was a University wit?
- (A) William Congreve
  - (B) Christopher Marlowe
  - (C) T.S. Eliot
  - (D) William Shakespeare
78. The origin of English novel is traced back to the:
- (A) 14<sup>th</sup>-Century
  - (B) 16<sup>th</sup>-Century
  - (C) 18<sup>th</sup>-Century
  - (D) 20<sup>th</sup>-Century
79. In the poem 'Snake', the voice of the poet's education on spotting a snake told him to
- (A) admire the snake
  - (B) kill the snake
  - (C) feed the snake
  - (D) avoid the snake
80. Dorothy L. Sayers suggests that the press often:
- (A) Reports with perfect objectivity
  - (B) Shapes public opinion through selective reporting
  - (C) Avoids influencing readers
  - (D) Focuses only on financial news
81. What does the poet say about 'Death' in the poem 'Sweetest Love, I Do Not Goe'?
- (A) It is inevitable and destined
  - (B) It is far away
  - (C) It is only for the old
  - (D) It cannot be avoided by love

82. How does Gandhi view the Western idea of progress?
- (A) As dangerous and materialistic                      (B) As necessary to bring about equality
- (C) As an advantage to the cultural harmony of India
- (D) As a goal of civilization
83. What does Dr. Zakir Hussain emphasize as essential for national progress?
- (A) Political debate    (B) Hard work and cooperation
- (C) Foreign Aid    (D) Material prosperity
84. Who among the following is known as the “people's poet”?
- (A) Keki N. Daruwalla    (B) Walt Whitman
- (C) Kamala Das    (D) John Keats
85. What does the speaker in "Fire-Hymn" see while passing by the cremation ghat?
- (A) A lush green forest    (B) A serene lake
- (C) An old mountain    (D) half-burnt bodies
86. ‘Now the Leaves are Falling Fast’ is a poem of:
- (A) Five stanzas of four lines each                      (B) Five stanzas of five lines each
- (C) Three stanzas of four lines each                      (D) Three stanzas of five lines each

87. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated in.
- (A) Georgia (B) Colorado  
(C) Tennessee (D) Mississippi
88. The line "The tribes that worshipped lions and crocodiles died out, while those to whom the cow or the sheep was a sacred animal prospered," appears in:
- (A) I Have a Dream (B) Ideas that Have Helped Mankind  
(C) How Free is the Press (D) Indian Civilization and Culture
89. How many stanzas are there in the poem 'Ode to Autumn'?
- (A) Four (B) Five  
(C) Three (D) Six
90. The phrase "her sights and sounds" in the poem 'The Soldier' refers to
- (A) a foreign battlefield (B) A graveyard  
(C) Memories of England (D) Palaces and Castles
91. The Old English period lasted from:
- (A) 449-1066 AD (B) 1150-1500 AD  
(C) 1500-1660 AD (D) 400-1000 AD
92. Who wrote 'Piers the Plowman'?
- (A) Gower (B) Chaucer  
(C) Langland (D) Wycliffe

93. A Dictionary of English Language was published by Dr. Samuel Johnson in  
(A) 1664 (B) 1755  
(C) 1813 (D) 1066
94. What reaction did Seibei's ethics teacher have when he saw him polishing the gourd in class?  
(A) He praised him (B) He laughed it off  
(C) He was furious (D) He ignored it
95. What had always been part of Pearl S. Buck's background?  
(A) India (B) China  
(C) U.S. (D) England
96. In morality plays the characters were often:  
(A) Kings and Queens (B) Virtues personified  
(C) Famous poets (D) Roman deities
97. The Restoration Age is especially known for:  
(A) Miracle Plays (B) Absurd Drama  
(C) Comedy of Manners (D) Poetic plays
98. Who wrote the novel 'Robinson Crusoe'?  
(A) Daniel Defoe (B) Samuel Richardson  
(C) Jonathan Swift (D) Henry Fielding

99. 'A Child is Born' explores the cultural peculiarities of \_\_\_\_\_

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| (A) Indian and Chinese    | (B) Swedish and African |
| (C) The East and the West | (D) American and Indian |

100. In 'A Marriage Proposal' what is the main cause of quarrel between Lomov and Natalia?

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| (A) Marriage expenses | (B) Land ownership disputes |
| (C) Dowry amount      | (D) Political differences   |

### **SECTION-B**

#### **(Descriptive Type Questions)**

1- Write an essay on any one of the following in about 150-200 words:  $1 \times 8 = 8$

- (i) The Future of Artificial Intelligence.
- (ii) The Importance of Discipline in life.
- (iii) Role of Renewable Energy in Combating Climate Change.
- (iv) Deforestation
- (v) Floods: Causes and Impacts

2- Explain any one of the following:  $1 \times 4 = 4$

- (i) Civilization is that mode of conduct which points out to men the path of duty.

- (ii) Clearly infant and mother mortality is greater than traditional births, but in our anxiety to avoid death we may have destroyed the significance of the experience for the vast majority who live.
- (iii) So for many years Benjy had kept hens, and what the earth was to his mother and father the hens were to Benjy: they were almost all he had.
- (iv) We must forever conduct our struggle on the high plane of dignity and discipline.

3- Explain any one of the following lines:

1 × 4 = 4

- (i) How often I think of going  
There, to peer through the blind eyes of windows...
- (ii) Was it cowardice, that I dared not kill him?  
Was it perversity, that I longed to talk to him?
- (iii) Where are the Songs of Spring? Ay, where are they?  
Think not of them, thou hast thy music too, ---
- (iv) His powers of levitation would make a fakir stare,  
And when you reach the scene of crime - Macavity's not there!

4- Write a letter to your friend sharing your views about a recent movie you watched 5

or

Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner of your city complaining about the problem of water-logging in your area.

5- Answer any five of the following questions in about 40-50 words each:  $5 \times 2 = 10$

- a) What, according to Dr. Zakir Hussain, is the role of education in building a nation?
- b) Why did the narrator initially hesitate to meet Nanukaka?
- c) How does Bertrand Russell explain the role of cooperation in human progress?
- d) Why is the birth of a child considered a social event in traditional societies?
- e) How does the sighing and weeping of the beloved affect the speaker in 'Sweetest Love, I Do Not Goe'?
- f) What does the poet think about beauty in the poem 'An Epitaph'?
- g) Why was the speaker unable to read the books in Kamala Das's 'My Grandmother's House'?
- h) What was the impact of the Norman Conquest on the Vocabulary of Old English?
- i) Name the five dialects of Middle English.
- j) What is a Farce?

6- Answer any three of the following in about 100-120 words each.  $3 \times 5 = 15$

- a) Write the summary of any one of the following poems.

I. Fire-Hymn

II. Now the Leaves are Falling Fast

III. The Soldier

b) Write the summary of any one of the following prose pieces

I. The Earth

II. Indian Civilization and Culture

III. A Pinch of Snuff

c) Write a short note on Dramatic Structure

Or

Discuss various types of Drama.

Or

Write a short note on African Novel in English.

d) Match the the titles of the poems given in List -A with their poets in List-B

List – A

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List – B

(i) Ode to Autumn

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(a) Keki N. Daruwalla

(ii) The Soldier

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(b) John Donne

(iii) Fire-Hymn

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(c) John Keats

(iv) An Epitaph

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(d) Rupert Brooke

(v) Sweetest Love, I Do Not Goe -

(e) Walter de la Mare

e) Translate any five of the following sentences into English:

(i.) रमा रोज स्कूल जाती थी ।



- (ii.) अमित कल प्रयागराज जायेगा।
- (iii.) तुम इतने उदास क्यों हो ?
- (iv.) प्रशान्त चित्र बना रहा था।
- (v.) वह बच्चों के साथ अच्छा व्यवहार करता है।
- (vi.) क्या तुम्हें उपन्यास पढ़ना पसन्द है ?
- (vii.) क्या सुन्दर दृश्य है।
- (viii.) आज अध्यापक ने हमें सजा दी।

f) Match the titles of the prose-pieces in List-A with their authors in List-B.

List – A	-	List – B
(i) How Free is the Press	-	(a) Manohar Malgaonkar
(ii) I Have a Dream	-	(b) Pearl S. Buck
(iii) India Through a Traveller's Eye	-	(c) Dorothy L. Sayers
(iv) Ideas that Have Helped Mankind	-	(d) Bertrand Russell
(v) A Pinch of Snuff	-	(e) Martin Luther King Jr.

7- Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow

4 × 1 = 4

Social media is a powerful tool that helps people connect, share ideas, and build communities across the world. It brings friends closer and can inspire creativity and awareness. However, it also has negative sides, such as encouraging comparison, distraction, and the spread of misinformation and negativity. The effect of social media depends on how it is used. To stay truly happy and connected, it is important to maintain a healthy balance between online activities and real-life experiences.

- (i.) How does social media help people stay connected?
- (ii.) What are the positive uses of social media?
- (iii.) What problems can social media cause?
- (iv.) Which word in the passage means 'imagination'?

Or

Write a precis of the following passage and provide a suitable title :

Sustainable development aims to meet current demands without compromising the estimates of future needs. It can function by balancing economic growth on one hand and environmental protection and social well-being on the other. It encourages responsible extraction of natural resources, promotes renewable energy and waste reduction and mitigates the risks associated with water and air pollution.