

SSLC MID TERM EXAMINATION- SEPTEMBER 2019
SECOND LANGUAGE ENGLISH- 31E

MARKS – 80

TIME – 2 hrs 30 min

- I. Four alternatives are given for each of the following questions / incomplete statements. Only one of them is correct or most appropriate. Choose the alternative and write the complete answer along with its letter of alphabet.

4 x 1 = 4

1. 'We celebrate Teacher's day every year.' The pasive voice form of the given ststatement is

- A. Teacher's day has been celebrated by us every year.
- B. Teacher's day will be celebrated by us every year.
- C. Teacher's day was celebrated by us every year.
- D. Teacher's day is celebrated by us every year.

2. 'We will not disobey the law.'The correct question tag to be added to the given statement is

- A. won't we?
- B. will he?
- C. will we?
- D. won't he?

3. 'I borrowed a book from my friend to read during holidays'. The infinitive in the given line is

- A. a book
- B. to read
- C. my friend
- D. during holidays

4. Jyothi: Kripa is good at sports. What do you think about her?

Sheela: Yes, I am sure. She'll studies well too.

The underlined statement is

- A. seeking opinion
- B. expressing sympathy
- C. offering help
- D. expressing gratitude

- II. Do as Directed:

12 x 1 = 12

5. Fill in the blanks with appropriate tense forms of the verbs given in brackets:

The Prime Minister _____ (be + visit) Bengaluru today.

6. Fill in the blanks with appropriate 'preposition':

Most of the students come to school _____ bus.

7. Give one word answer :

A group of people of a family that existed long ago.

8. Choose the appropriate auxiliary verb to fill in the blank:

Many scientists _____ (have/ has) contributed greatly to technoligise India.

9. Fill in the blank with a suitable linker:

Suresh is very active _____ Seema is lazy.

10. Write the opposite of the underlined word in the given sentence:

There are many technological advantages .

11. Frame a question to get the underlined words as answer:

Sudeep went to Mangalore to meet the minister.

12. Read the following conversation and change the underlined sentence into reported speech:

Newspaper reporter: What is the secret of your achievement?

Jayalakshmi: I studied regularly and did all the home work correctly

Newsapaper reporter asked _____

Jayalakshmi replied _____.

13. Identify the part of speech of the underlined word:

A toad's skin is warty and dry.

14. Identify the word which has 3 syllables in it:

Notorious, calculate, water, stripe

15. Combine the word in column 'A' with its collocative word in 'B':

A

B

Bitter

class, bread, experience, name

16. Change the following sentence into comparative degree:

Rajeev is the most intelligent boy in the class.

III. The following paragraph has two errors. Edit the paragraph and rewrite it in the answer book. Clues are given: $1 \times 2 = 2$

17. The children were excited about their new advenchure. One of the little fellows sudden started clapping. All the other boys joined him and enjoyed with the little fellow.

A. Spelling to be corrected

B. Adverbial mistake to be corrected

IV. Answer the following questions in 2 – 3 sente nces each: $7 \times 2 = 14$

18. Why do you think Swami wished that the tiger had not spared the boy?

19. Why were the Americans willing to pay double the amount to Don Anselmo for his land?

20. Dr. Ambedkar was not in the Congress party. Yet, he was made the Chairman of the drafting Committee. Why?

21. Why was Roma amazed when she learnt that Baleshwar had saved her?

22. Why did the doctor's advice seem like a brief season in hell for grandma?

23. Why had Patil, the sub-inspector come to Mohan's house?

OR

Why were Babu and Manju a bit disappointed with the way students were

marching?

24. How did Dicky Dolma feel when she was on the top of the Mount Everest?

OR

Why was it not a difficult task for Dicky Dolma to take up the challenge of scaling

the Mount. Everest ?

V. Answer the following questions in 5-6 sentences each: 2 x 3 = 6

25. How did the tempo truck driver help Baleshwar

26. What does Mother-land 'writing the book of morrow', signify?

VI. Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow: 4 x 3 = 12

27. Don't cover your face. Are you really sleepy?

a. Who said this?

b. Who does 'you' refer to?

c. Why was the person pretending to sleep?

28. The old man bowed to all of us in the room.

a. Who was the old man?

b. Where was the old man at that time?

c. Why had he come there?

29. He was a symbol of revolt.

a. Who was the symbol of revolt?

b. Who is the speaker?

c. When was the statement told ?

30. You cannot put a fence around the planet earth.

- a. Which poem is this line taken from?
- b. Who is the speaker?
- c. What does the statement say about the speaker?

VII. Given below is a profile. Write a paragraph using the clues below: 1 x 3 = 3

31. Name: Abhinandan Varthaman
Born: 21st June 1983
Birthplace: Tambaram, Chennai
Graduation: National Defence Academy (NDA)
Rank: Wing Commander
Battle fought: India –Pakistan standoff in 2019
Awards: Vir Chakra in August, 2019

VIII. Develop the story using the clues given below: 1 x 3 = 3

32. An ant- busy – collect food – a lazy grasshopper – laughs at the ant – ant quiet – rainy season – water all around – no food – grasshopper starving – goes to ant – requests for food – ant reminds grasshopper of past jokes - grasshopper sorry – ant gives food – so everyone – work hard for future.

IX. Study the picture given below. Write a description or an account of what the picture suggests to you, in a paragraph: 1x 3 = 3

- 33.



X. Quote from memory: 1 x 4 = 4

34. The quality----- It -----

----- Or -----

-----it becomes. ----- seasons justice.

XI. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: 2 x 2 = 4

35. If India is to take its rightful place in the world, as a free and independent nation, she must learn to combine freedom with discipline. We are a democracy. We need to preserve our hard earned freedom by cultivating a true sense of discipline among the younger folk in our land. Independence does not imply intolerance. Liberty does not mean license to do whatever we want. Against the British, we had to adopt an attitude of defiance of law and order and breaking the rules. Discipline means order, performance of our duties regularly and faithfully.

A. How can we preserve our freedom?

B. How did we fight against the British?

XII. Answer the following questions in about 8 – 10m sentences: 1 x 4 = 4

36. Summarize the poem, 'Grandma climbs a tree'.

OR

What is the mother Earth trying to convey in the poem, 'I am the Land'?

OR

Compare and contrast the idea of beauty of the poet and Mother India.

XIII. Write an essay on ANY ONE of the following: 1 x 4 = 4

37. a. Sports and Games
b. Uses of Internet
c. Population Explosion

XIV. Write a letter using the information given below: 1 x 5 = 5

38. Imagine you are Shilpa/ Syed studying in Govt. High School, Aralumallige.

Write a letter to the editor of 'Daily News' newspaper, about illegal street vendors causing health issues due to sale of unsafe food items, in front of your school.

OR

Write a letter to your friend in Sakaleshpur informing him/her about your plan of study for the board examination.

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