

GSEB 12TH ENGLISH

**Model Paper 2024
(Science Stream)**

**GUJARAT SECONDARY AND HIGHER SECONDARY BOARD,
GANDHINAGAR**



Std-12 - English (FL) (006) (Science Stream)

ANNUAL EXAM

Time : 3 Hrs.

Sample Question Paper

Total Marks : 100

Time : 1 Hr.

PART A

Total Marks : 50

Instructions :

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

- Choose the correct option and darken the appropriate circle in the given OMR Sheet

[50]

- Read the following passage and answer questions. from 1 to 3.

Then, as I hurried by as fast as I could go, the blacksmith, Watchter, who was there with his apprentice, reading the bulletin, called after me. Don't go so fast, bub; you will get to your school in plenty of time !"

1. Watchter was _____ while instructing the author.
(A) serious (B) joking
(C) flippant (D) playful
2. The author was addressed as a/an _____.
(A) teenager (B) adult
(C) boy (D) brother
3. When the author reached M. Hamel's garden, he was literally _____.
(A) excited (B) curious
(C) worried (D) panting
4. Vive La France ! means _____.
(A) Glory to France (B) Long live France
(C) Hail France (D) Love France
5. Would you agree that promises made to poor children are rarely kept ? Answer with the reference to 'Lost Spring'.
(A) Yes (B) No

- (C) Both A and B (D) Can't Say
6. Saheb didn't go to school as _____.
(A) he did not have time
(B) he was not interested in studies
(C) there was no school in his neighbourhood
(D) he did not have money to pay the fees
7. Mukesh was different from his family as he was a/an _____.
(A) optimist (B) pessimist
(C) fatalist (D) opportunist
8. Anees Jung talks about the grinding poverty and traditions which condemn the poor children to a life of _____.
(A) exploration (B) exploitation
(C) exposition (D) expectation
9. In the essay, William Douglas talks about his fear of _____.
(A) height (B) fire
(C) water (D) failure
10. Yakima river was feared to swim in due to its _____.
(A) strong currents (B) reptile infestation
(C) scary location (D) unpredictable climatic conditions
11. Y.M.C.A. revived writer's _____ memories.
(A) pleasant (B) unpleasant
(C) sweet (D) strange
12. The old man in the grey cottage _____.
(A) welcomed the peddler (B) shooed away the peddler
(C) fought with the peddler (D) argued with the peddler
13. What was the mistake made by the old man when the peddler was in his house ?
(A) He asked his address.
(B) He called the police
(C) He showed him where he kept his money.
(D) He abused the peddler
14. The peasants in India are described as _____ by Louis Fischer.
(A) poor and emaciated (B) gaunt and ill
(C) lean and sick (D) poor and emancipated

15. Who commented, "He had read our minds correctly" in the lesson 'Indigo' ?
 (A) Gandhiji (B) Dr. Rajendra Prasad
 (C) Charles Freer (D) Kripalani
16. When the English poet felt that he couldn't have addressed a more dazed and silent audience... he meant _____.
 (A) baffled and chaotic audience
 (B) dumb and confused audience
 (C) energetic and enthusiastic audience
 (D) disinterested and calm audience
17. _____ is the writer of the lesson 'Interview.'
 (A) Christopher Silverster (B) Stephen Spender
 (C) Mark Twain (D) Lewis Carroll
18. Which quality of Eco impressed David Lodge ?
 (A) Multitasking (B) Honesty
 (C) Truthfulness (D) Punctuality
19. Sophie worked in a biscuit factory but dreamt of owing a _____.
 (A) beauty Parlour (B) Spa
 (C) Hair Salon (D) Boutique
20. Watching 'United' on every Saturday was termed as a _____ in the lesson 'Going Places.'
 (A) Saturday Pilgrimage (B) Weekly Pilgrimage
 (C) Weekly Pilgrimage (D) Sainly Pilgrimage
21. 'My Mother at Sixty-Six' is an example of complex subtleties of _____.
 (A) human relationships (B) pain of separation
 (C) sense of aging (D) childhood worries
22. The merry children spilled out of their _____.
 (A) playgournds (B) schools
 (C) clubs (D) homes
23. Identify the figure of speech in the line : Perhaps the earth can teach us.
 (A) Metaphor (B) Simile
 (C) Personification (D) Oxymoron
24. Pablo Naruda talks about the necessisty of quiet _____.
 (A) introspection (B) surroundings
 (C) mind (D) environs
25. According to John Keats, some shape of beauty move away the _____.

- (A) mountains (B) monuments
(C) pall (D) atrocities
26. Identify the figure of speech in the line, 'an endless fountain of immortal drink.'
- (A) Euphemism (B) Hyperbole
(C) Paradox (D) Synecdoche
27. A Roadside Stand is made to help the poor _____ .
- (A) sleep during rains (B) earn livelihood
(C) educate their children (D) cherish memories
28. Robert Frost could hardly bear the thought of so much _____ in vain.
- (A) humanity (B) childish longing
(C) deprivation (D) pitiless clarity
- **Read the following stanza and answer question numbers 29 and 30. [04]**
- When Aunt is dead, her terrified hands will lie
Still ringed with ordeals she was mastered by
The tigers in the panel that she made
Will go on prancing, proud and unafraid.
29. Ringed with ordeals signifies Aunt's _____
- (A) excitement (B) mastery
(C) bafflement (D) sufferings
30. After Aunt's death, the tigers will move _____.
- (A) freely (B) fearfully
(C) slyly (D) cunningly
31. Why was the operation successful in 'The Tiger King' ?
- (A) The Maharaja survived.
(B) The Maharaja recovered fast.
(C) The Maharaja died.
(D) The Maharaja was able to gain consciousness.
32. Susan Hill has penned down _____ .
- (A) On the Face Of it (B) The Enemy
(C) The Tiger King (D) The Third Level
33. Charley used to tell Sam about _____ .

- (A) New York (B) New Jersey
(C) Galesburg (D) Washington
34. Bama had felt, experienced and humiliated but never heard people _____ untouchability.
(A) favoured (B) abandoned
(C) openly argued (D) openly speak of
35. _____ and lack of biodiversity makes Antarctica a perfect place for study.
(A) Simple ecosystem (B) Complex ecosystem
(C) Diverge ecosystem (D) Splendid ecosystem
36. Gandhi chided the lawyers for collecting big fee from the sharecroppers. Identify the correct passive sentence.
(A) Gandhi was chiding lawyers as they were collecting big fees from sharecroppers.
(B) Lawyers were chided by Gandhi for charging big fees from sharecroppers.
(C) Lawyers chided by Gandhi for charging big fees from sharecroppers
(D) Gandhi was chided lawyers as they were collecting big fees from sharecroppers.
37. M. Hamel said that French was clearest, most logical language. -- Identify the correct comparative sentence.
(A) M. Hamel said that French was a clear and logical language.
(B) M. hamel said that French was very clear and most logical language.
(C) M. Hamel said that French was clearer and more logical language than all other languages.
(D) M. Hemal said that French was clearer and more logical language.
38. "What I did was a very ordinary thing." - Identify the type of statement.
(A) Interrogative (B) Assertive
(C) Compative (D) Exclamatory
39. I consider myself a university professor _____ writes a novel on Sunday - insert the preposition.
(A) which (B) who (C) as (D) like
40. They wouldn't make you manager straight off. (Choose the correct question Tag)
(A) Would they ? (B) Will he ?
(C) Were they ? (D) Won't they ?

- Answer the questions 41 to 44 after reading the given paragraph.

Education plays a great transformatory role in life, particularly so in this rapidly changing globalized world. Universities are the custodians of the intellectual capital and promoters of culture and specialized knowledge. Culture is an activity of thought, and receptiveness to beauty and human feelings. A merely well informed man is only a bore on God's earth. What we should aim at is to producing men who possess both culture and expert knowledge. The expert knowledge will give them a firm ground to start from and their culture will lead them as deep as philosophy and as high as art. Together it will impart meaning to human existence.

41. Culture is an activity of thought and receptiveness to beauty and human feelings." Identify the correct sentence with Not only.'

 - (A) Not only is human feelings receptive to beauty but also culture is activities of thought.
 - (B) Not only is beauty and human feelings received by thought, but even culturers.
 - (C) Not only is culture an activity of thought but also is receptive to beauty and human feelings.
 - (D) Not only is culture and human feelings attached with beauty but also with thoughts.

42. 'A merely well informed man is only a bore on God's earth' What does this sentence imply in the passage ?

 - (A) lack of University knowledge in cultured men.
 - (B) lack of culture in university educated men.
 - (C) problem of imparting knowledge
 - (D) boring way of imparting information

43. 'Philosophy' and 'Art' are referred to as _____ in this paragraph by the author

 - (A) Education and World
 - (B) Information and God's world.
 - (C) Activity of thought and beauty and human feelings
 - (D) Knowledge and culture

44. 'Rajkumar Shukla is described to be the one with resolute belief. What is the meaning of resolute' ?

 - (A) One who had belief in resolutions
 - (B) One who is believed to have resolution to problem
 - (C) One who had doubt in the belief he held
 - (D) One with firm purpose or belief

45. I was thinking of all this and I heard my name called. (Choose the correct complex sentences)

- (A) While I was thinking of all this, I heard my name called.
(B) Because I was thinking of all this I heard my name called.
(C) I heard my name called while I thought of all this.
(D) Thinking of all this, I heard my name called.
46. The tramp did not say anythng. (choose the correct affirmative sentence)
(A) The tramp refrained from saying anything.
(B) The tramp was unable to say anything.
(C) The tramp was able to say nothing.
(D) The tramp was not able to say nothing.
47. We were given two hours to talk the offer _____ with our partners.
(A) to (B) personally (C) over (D) directly
48. He continued to play _____ the injury.
(A) despite (B) although (C) though (D) however
49. As he walked along with the money in his pocket, he felt quite pleased with his smartness - Identiy the correct option.
(A) Walking quite pleased with his smartness, he felt money is this pocket.
(B) Walking with the money he pleased himself with his smartness.
(C) Walking along with the money is his pocket, he felt quite pleased with his smartness.
(D) Walking along witht he money in his pocket to feel quite pleased with his smartness.
50. If ever I come into money, I will buy a boutique. [select the correct sentence]
(A) Unless I ever come into money, I will not buy a boutique.
(B) Unless I ever come into money, I will buy a boutique.
(C) Unless I never come into money, I will buy a boutique.
(D) Unless I ever come into money, I am not buying a boutique.



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Time : 2 Hrs.

PART B

Total Marks : 50

Instructions :

- (1) Write answers in a clear legible hand writing.
- (2) There are five sections in Part-B
- (3) All questions are compulsory. Options are internal.

SECTION : A

- **Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each** [10]
- 1. When a people are enslaved, as long as they hold fast to their language it is as if they had the key to their prison.' Explain.
- 2. Why should child labour be eliminated and how ? Give answer with reference to the lesson, 'Lost spring'.
- 3. In the lesson 'The Rattrap', the reader's sympathy is with the peddler right from the beginning of the story. Is the sympathy justified ? How ?
- 4. Given reason for Kothamangalam Subbu being considered as No. 2 in Gemini studios.
- 5. Describe the character and temperament of Sophie's father.

SECTION : B

- **Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each** [06]
- 6. What do the parting words of the poet (Kamala Das) and her smile signify ?
- 7. Write the central theme of the poem - 'A Thing of Beauty'.
- 8. State the plea of the folk who had put up the roadside stand.
- **Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each.** [04]
- 9. Mention Kalki's indirect comment on subjecting innocent animals to the wilfulness of human beings.
- 10. Will Derry get back to his old seclusion or will Mr. Lamb's brief association effect a change in the kind of life he will lead in the future ?

SECTION : C

- Rewrite the sentences using the correct meanings of the given phrases / idioms. [03]

11. I never saw him look so tall (grown physically taller, seem very confident, stood on the chair)
12. He had to resort to both begging and thievery to keep body and soul together. (Stay alive in difficult circumstances, stay awake in chaotic circumstances, stay cribbing in difficult circumstances)
13. He was tailor-made for films (searching, suited, subjected)

14. Report the following passage into indirect form of narration. [04]

“What’s this you’ve been telling ?” Jansie said, next week.

“About what ?”

“Your Geoff told our Frank you met Danny Casey.”

This wasn’t an inquisition just Jansie being nosey. But Sophie was startled.

“Oh, that.”

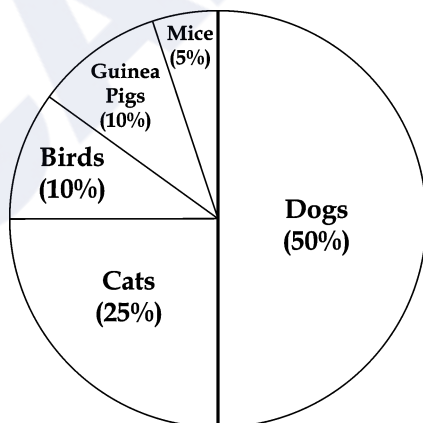
Jansie frowned, “Yes ---- that.”

- Rectify the Errors [03]

		Errors	Corrections
My introductory to the Y.M.C.A.	(15)	_____	_____
swimming pool revival unpleasant	(16)	_____	_____
memories yet stirred childish fears	(17)	_____	_____

SECTION : D

18. Study the following chart and interpret it in six to seven sentences. [05]
Pet Club Members’ Animal Preferences (100 students)



Students’ Preferences of Animals

Dogs	50%
Cats	25%
Birds	10%
Guinea Pigs	10%
Mice	5%

OR

18. Paraphrase the following poem in six to seven sentences.

"Hope" is the thing with feathers.
That perches in the 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-
I've heard it in the chilliest land-
and on the strangest Sea-
Yet-never-in Extremity,
It asked a crumb-of me.

19. You are Kiran Shah seeking admission in an eminent university for a graduation course. E-mail your Statement of Purpose [SOP] in about 100 words. [05]

SECTION : E

20. You are Seema/Samir Hayden. Apply for the post of a Research Assistant in the field of Mass Communication to the Director, ABC TV, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi. [04]

21. Write an Essay in about 250 words on any One of the following topics. [06]

(A) CCTV Cameras and Privacy

[Technology development Importance of CCTV barrier Privacy curtailed your views]

(B) As you sow so shall you reap.

[Proverb Significance Reality Example Conclusion]

OR

21. On the occasion of Annual Sports Day in your school, prepare a speech as a Head Boy / Girl in about 250 words.
