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VSA (English Medium)

Paper No. I Language (English) and Time : 11 A.M. to 12 Noon
 Pages : 10 Social Sciences Total Marks : 100
 (History, Civics, Geography)

Instructions :—

- (1) This question paper contains **50** questions carrying **2** marks each.
- (2) *All* questions are compulsory.
- (3) A separate answer-sheet is provided. Every question has four alternatives to choose your answer from. These alternatives are numbered 1, 2, 3, 4. Out of these only one choice of answer is correct. This correct alternative number should be written in the block provided in the answer-sheet, next to the corresponding question number e.g.,

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- (4) As far as possible, avoid any cancellations.
- (5) While correcting the answer, cancel the wrong answer number by drawing three lines across it as shown

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. The corrected answer number should be written next to the cancelled block, to look like

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- (6) The correction can be done only once for each question.
- (7) More than **5** corrections will not be given marks.
- (8) If you don't know the answer to a question, go on to attempt the next ones. After you have answered the whole paper, attempt the remaining questions.
- (9) In this question paper in Section I **35** questions are of Language (English) and in Section II **15** questions are from Social Sciences (History, Civics, Geography).

SECTION I

LANGUAGE (ENGLISH)

Q. 1 to 3 : Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it.

Down, down, down went the plane. Uncle Prasad caught hold of the bamboo stick, but the plane started to go round and round in circles, getting lower and lower.

"Oh, dear !" shrieked Uncle Prasad, "What will happen to me now ?" ZOOM ! Down it went and Uncle Prasad looked below him. He could see a huge lake. The plane was still going round in circles, lower and lower, when suddenly, CRASH !

The plane hit the top of a tree and Uncle Prasad shot high into the air like a bullet from a gun. He landed with a tremendous splash in the lake. Luckily he could swim and he managed to reach the bank where he found a huge crowd waiting to receive him.

1. Uncle Prasad wanted to be alive so he :
 - (1) caught hold of the bar
 - (2) switched off the engine
 - (3) caught hold of the bamboo stick
 - (4) started calling for the help
2. When the plane was going down, it started :
 - (1) rushing like a bullet from the gun
 - (2) going with great speed
 - (3) going like an arrow from the bow
 - (4) going round and round in circles
3. Which pair of the words indicates the sound and action ?
 - (1) Splash and Zoom
 - (2) Zoom and Crash
 - (3) Tring and Ding
 - (4) Ding and Dong

Q. 4 to 6 : Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions given below it.

How beautiful is the rain !

After the dust and heat,

In the broad street,

In the narrow lane,

How beautiful is the rain !

How it clatters along the roofs,

Like the tramp of hoofs !

How it gushes and struggles out,

From the overflowing spout,

Across the window pane

It pours and pours,

And swift and wide,

With a muddy tide,

Like a river down the gutter roars

The rain, the welcome rain !

4. The poem tells us about the rain which came :

(1) during the rainy season

(2) at the end of hot summer

(3) during the winter season

(4) during the autumn

5. The rain on the roof sounds like :

(1) tramp of hoofs

(2) tramp of soldier

(3) trumpet

(4) rattle

6. Which word in the poem gives us the exact nature of the rain ?

(1) It is in the narrow lane (2) It pours and pours

(3) It clatters

(4) It comes after the dust

7. Which word from the following words is a noun ?
(1) Untrue (2) Truly
(3) True (4) Truth
8. Indicate the part of speech from the given words used for 'gushing rain.'
(1) Suddenly (2) Since
(3) It (4) Fat
9. Identify the mark of punctuation in the given sentence.
What a good news !
(1) Full stop (2) Inverted commas
(3) Question mark (4) Exclamatory
10. Which word from the following words is in plural number ?
(1) Tooth (2) Crew
(3) Group (4) Class
11. From the given sentence, which is the predicate ?
The first Prime Minister of India, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru loved the children.
(1) The first Prime Minister of India
(2) Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru
(3) The first Prime Minister of India loved the children
(4) Loved the children
12. Which word from the following is spelt correctly ?
(1) Colonel (2) Karnal
(3) Carnel (4) Colonil
13. Which one of the following sentences is the wrong one ?
(1) Mohan had a dream.
(2) Mohan will read the story in the class.
(3) Mohan got up everyday at five.
(4) Mohan is playing cricket.

14. The meanings of the phrase are given below. Select the correct meaning of the phrase.

'To call on' means :

- (1) to give a phone-call (2) to shout at
(3) to ask to come over (4) to visit

15. Which one of the following sentences, has the correct usage of the phrase 'To take to heart'.

- (1) When grandmother saw her grandson after six months, she took him to her heart
(2) The chest-pain took to his heart
(3) Ramesh took his failure in the examination too much to his heart
(4) Rupesh took his motherland's love to his heart

Q. 16 to 18 : Read the following dialogue carefully and answer the questions given below it.

"Oh ! Radha ! Come in ! Have a seat !" Sita welcomed Radha.

"Dear Sita, what's wrong with you ? You are not cheerful, as you are always. What's happened ? Tell me." said Radha.

"Radha, you are my true friend. In no time, you realised that I was off-mood ! Yes, you are right ? I am upset. I am blaming myself, for what has happened."

"What happened ? Tell me in detail," said Radha.

"My money purse has been stolen."

"Where ? When ?" Radha was surprised.

"I went to the bank to withdraw some amount from my saving account. Before that, I dropped Shubham to his school."

"Then ?"

"I finished my work in 15 minutes. As I was about to start my scooter, one young gentleman pointed out some currency notes and coins fallen near my scooter." He said, "Madam, you have dropped your money, kindly pick it up, before you lose it." I bent down to pick the money, and by the time he took away my money-purse which I had kept in the carrier," said Sita.

“Oh ! You should not have listened to him,” said Radha.

“Yes, I admit ! I should not have got tempted to pick up the money, which did not belong to me. But yes ! This is the punishment for this. I have learnt a lesson for a life time, that too at the cost of five thousand rupees.”

16. Sita was in sad mood, as :

- (1) Shubham was sick
- (2) She was misguided by the young man
- (3) She had lost her purse
- (4) Sita came to visit her

17. Sita had to pay the amount of rupees to learn a lesson.

- (1) the whole amount from her account
- (2) Rs. 5,000
- (3) Rs. 15, paise 70
- (4) zero

18. Sita learnt a lesson from this experience that :

- (1) never go to the bank
- (2) never go on scooter for withdrawing money
- (3) never go alone to the bank
- (4) never have a greed for the thing, which does not belong to you.

19. When you write a letter to your elder brother, you will address him as :

- (1) Respected brother
- (2) Sir
- (3) Darling
- (4) My brother

Q. 20 to 22 : The following 3 incomplete sentences make a paragraph, when they are completed. Select the correct answer to make the sentence meaningful.

20. King the emperor of all Asuras, was performing a Yajna to achieve the post of Lord Indra.

- (1) Ravan
- (2) Kansa
- (3) Bali
- (4) Dashrath

21. For saving the throne of Lord Indra, Vishnu took the form of

- (1) Waman (2) Ram
(3) Krishna (4) Parashuram

22. The king was very famous for his

- (1) Valour (2) Generosity
(3) Selfishness (4) Kindness

23. Identify the sound of 'goats'. The goats :

- (1) Bellow (2) Roar
(3) Bleat (4) Scream

24. Which word from the following words is the antonym of the word 'darkness' ?

- (1) Light (2) Fair
(3) Brightness (4) White

25. Which word from the following words is the synonym of the word 'Mob' ?

- (1) Movement (2) To stop
(3) To wipe (4) Crowd

26. Select the word from the following words to make the incomplete sentence meaningful.

Jagan lost his on the way to school.

- (1) pen (2) pain
(3) paan (4) pin

27. 'One that loves his country' is known as :

- (1) citizen (2) patriot
(3) Prime Minister (4) freedom fighter

28. 'Illiterate' is the one who :
- (1) works on the farms (2) does not go to school
 (3) cannot read and write (4) can write, but cannot read
29. The dwelling of bees is known as :
- (1) nest (2) tree
 (3) farm (4) hive
30. The following are some words indicating the young-ones of the animal. Select the correct answer.
 The young-one of the 'Horse' is known as :
- (1) Colt (2) Calf
 (3) Kid (4) Ram
31. From the given alphabets, which word do you find meaningful ?
 i c n e k t h
- (1) chentik (2) tickhen
 (3) kitchen (4) neckhit
32. The following words form a pair. Select which pair is the wrong one ?
- (1) ass—brays (2) swallows—twitter
 (3) horse—neighs (4) crow—crows
33. If the following words, arranged alphabetically, which word will be fourth ?
- (1) Slate (2) Ruler
 (3) Book (4) Pencil
34. The four words are given. Select one of the answers to complete an incomplete sentence, having a meaning.
 You tell me, I should wait for you; or go away.
- (1) where (2) whether
 (3) weather (4) wether
35. was the name of Sant Ramdas.
- (1) Keshav (2) Madhav
 (3) Narayan (4) Tukaram

SECTION II

SOCIAL SCIENCES (History, Civics, Geography)

36. went to Punjab to spread the message of equality among the people.
- (1) Sant Dnyaneshwar (2) Sant Namdeo
(3) Sant Ramdas (4) Sant Eknath
37. The Shivneri Fort is in district.
- (1) Pune (2) Ahmadnagar
(3) Satara (4) Raigad
38. was the Vakil of Afzalkhan.
- (1) Sayyad Banda (2) Krishnaji Bhaskar
(3) Jiva Mahala (4) Kazi Hyder
39. raided Surat.
- (1) Shivaji (2) Aurangzeb
(3) Dilerkhan (4) Jaising
40. Shivaji selected as the capital of his kingdom at the time of his coronation.
- (1) Pratapgad (2) Raigad
(3) Panhalgad (4) Sinhagad
41. Shivaji divided the whole kingdom into Subhas.
- (1) twelve (2) eight
(3) twenty (4) twenty three
42. There should not be on the grounds of religion.
- (1) the unity (2) a friendship
(3) an affection (4) a discrimination
43. We have accepted that, all of us can live in harmony, promote brotherhood towards each other and be happy, as our
- (1) authority (2) duty
(3) right (4) freedom

44. The national emblem has been designed after the Ashoka Pillar at
(1) Verul (2) Ambarnath
(3) Ajantha (4) Saranath
45. The State of Maharashtra came into existence on :
(1) 30th May, 1960 (2) 15th August, 1947
(3) 26th January, 1950 (4) 1st May, 1960
46. Tadoba National Park is in district.
(1) Amaravati (2) Nagpur
(3) Gondiya (4) Chandrapur
47. crop is produced on largest scale in Maharashtra.
(1) Bajra (2) Wheat
(3) Rice (4) Jowar
48. The thermal power plant is located at near Nashik.
(1) Eklahare (2) Phekari
(3) Paras (4) Koradi
49. Most of the people on the plateau use cotton clothes as :
(1) less rainfall
(2) agriculture is the main occupation
(3) the climate is hot
(4) heavy rain in the south-east region
50. is the satellite of the earth.
(1) Sun (2) Moon
(3) Stars (4) Planets