Second Year B. Sc. (Sem. III) Examination
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Foundation Course in English
2981 - Language Through Literature
2982 - Written & Spoken Communication

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Important instructions to fillup O.M.R. Sheet are given on back side of the provided O.M.R. Sheet.
1 The meaning of ‘dreary’ is
(A) small
(B) hopeful
(C) gloomy
(D) strong

2 The adjective of ‘knowledge’ is
(A) knowledgable
(B) knowing
(C) knowledgeability
(D) know

3 In the poem ‘Where the Mind is Without Fear’, what does the phrase ‘head...held high’ give an impression of?
(A) fear and integrity
(B) fearlessness and pride
(C) freedom and fear
(D) pride and fear

4 To whom is the poem ‘Where the Mind is Without Fear’ addressed?
(A) the reader
(B) India
(C) God
(D) the poet’s father

5 The poem ‘Where the Mind is Without Fear’ expresses the poet’s ...........
(A) record of the present
(B) hope for the future
(C) imaginative fantasies
(D) regret for the past
6 Which of these wouldn’t be the likely headline for a report in a college magazine?

(A) Winners of essay competition declared
(B) Health camp in west block
(C) Minister held for graft
(D) Student union elections to be held next month

7 What are official reports also known as?

(A) Survey reports
(B) Annual reports
(C) Quarterly reports
(D) Investigative reports

8 What kind of attire is suitable to wear for an interview?

(A) Comfortable, but formal clothes
(B) Comfortable informal clothes
(C) Clothes which help you stand out from others
(D) Expensive branded clothes

9 Which of these would be among the preliminaries in an interview?

(A) ‘Your CV indicates that you took a break from 2008 to 2013. What were the reasons for this?’
(B) ‘What are some of your problems?’
(C) ‘How much salary would you expect?’
(D) ‘Good morning. Please take a seat’

10 The simple past tense of the sentence ‘The journey takes an entire day.’ is........

(A) The journey was taking an entire day.
(B) The journey had taken an entire day.
(C) The journey has taken an entire day.
(D) The journey took an entire day.
11 Whom would you find at Rosemary’s parties?
(A) businessmen
(B) actors
(C) artists
(D) authors

12 When Rosemary meets a poor girl in a street, she thinks that it is the same
meeting she has read in the novel of ________.
(A) Leo Tolstoy
(B) Ruskin Bond
(C) Dostoevsky
(D) Stephen Leacock

13 Where would Rosemary buy flowers from?
(A) Bond Street
(B) Regent Street
(C) Curzon Street
(D) Paris

14 Why does Rosemary utter the word ‘There’ repeatedly?
(A) because she is angry.
(B) because she has given money to the poor girl.
(C) because she shows her feeling of triumph.
(D) because she is surprised by the poor girl.

15 What does Philip say about the girl?
(A) that she is ugly
(B) that he knows her
(C) that he will give her a job
(D) that she is beautiful

16 What does Rosemary do with the girl in the end?
(A) She adopts her
(B) She gives her a job
(C) She forgets about her
(D) She gives her money and makes her leave

17 What is the meaning of ‘languid’?
(A) small
(B) horrible
(C) narrow minded
(D) weak or faint from tiredness
18 The antonym of ‘antique’ is
   (A) old
   (B) modern
   (C) expensive
   (D) exotic

19 Why was the writer’s friend looking for a wife?
   (A) because he was divorced
   (B) because he was never been married
   (C) because he was a child to take care of
   (D) because he was widowed

20 Who is supposed to take care of medical appointments?
   (A) The writer
   (B) The doctor
   (C) The husband
   (D) The wife

21 What is the meaning of ‘muddle’?
   (A) refuse
   (B) accuse
   (C) diffuse
   (D) confuse

22 What happens if the children fall sick?
   (A) The husband and wife share the responsibilities of caregiving.
   (B) The wife is supposed to balance work and childcare.
   (C) The wife is supposed to send the children to the hospital.
   (D) The husband takes time off from classes to take care of them.

23 The essay ‘Why I Want a Wife’ ends in a/an......
   (A) understatement
   (B) rhetorical question
   (C) anticlimax
   (D) analogy

24 The speaker wants the wife to be a/an ______ cook.
   (A) average
   (B) good
   (C) adequate
   (D) okay
25 A wife is expected not to……
   (A) spend too much time doing housework.
   (B) be responsible for birth control.
   (C) be monogamous.
   (D) complain about her duties.

26 The essay ‘Why I Want a Wife’ is an example of
   (A) Feminism
   (B) Humanism
   (C) Postmodernism
   (D) Modernism

27 Where are the children supposed to be when guests come home for dinner?
   (A) At the dining table, with the adults
   (B) Outside, with their nanny
   (C) In the kitchen, helping their mother
   (D) In bed, and out of sight

28 What does the author imply about fidelity in marriages?
   (A) Both parties need to be faithful to each other
   (B) The woman must remain faithful
   (C) The man must not remain faithful
   (D) Fidelity is overrated

29 Experiments with diet became an important part of Gandhi’s life on account
   of the fact that
   (A) His faith in vegetarianism was growing day by day
   (B) He was a crank
   (C) He was reading books on vegetarianism
   (D) Vegetarianism was an obsession with him

30 The synonym of ‘forego’ is
   (A) proceed
   (B) exit
   (C) claim
   (D) relinquish
31 How did Gandhi’s friend behave with him in the restaurant?
(A) He was very impatient and chided Gandhi on his whims
(B) He showed the utmost respect for Gandhi’s beliefs
(C) He ordered Gandhi to eat what was available at the restaurant
(D) He was very tolerant and catered to Gandhi’s whims

32 Gandhi undertook lessons in dancing, French and elocution in order to……
(A) forget what he had learnt in India
(B) become more of an English gentleman
(C) win laurels
(D) please his friend

33 What was the primary purpose of Gandhi’s stay in Britain?
(A) to become a good violinist and a good speaker
(B) to become a polished gentleman
(C) to become a lawyer
(D) to get away from his family in India

34 How did Gandhi extricate himself from the elocution classes?
(A) by writing a letter to the elocution teacher, requesting to be excused from further lessons
(B) by visiting the elocution teacher personally and explaining his position
(C) by requesting his friend to explain his position to the teacher
(D) by writing a note of resignation

35 Gandhi’s infatuation with his change lasted him……
(A) for about three months (B) for several years
(C) for the rest of his life (D) for a few days

36 What did Gandhi do to refine his appreciation of music?
(A) He took violin lessons (B) He took elocution lessons
(C) He took French lessons (D) He took dancing lessons

37 Gandhi sat ______ the table with his friend
(A) at (B) in
(C) on (D) upon

38 What did the narrator do when waiting for the photographer to take his picture?
(A) He read magazines
(B) He looked around the studio
(C) He sat quietly without doing anything
(D) He adjusted his appearance

39 At what moment did the photographer take the picture?
(A) when the narrator was about to move from the stool
(B) when the narrator was about to leave the studio
(C) when the narrator was about to close his mouth
(D) when the narrator was about to speak

40 What did the photographer say when the narrator asked to see the picture?
(A) He asked him to wait till it was developed
(B) He asked him for pay for the picture
(C) He asked him to leave
(D) He asked him to come the next day
41 Why did the narrator return to the studio on Saturday?
   (A) to see the proof of the photograph
   (B) to retouch the photograph
   (C) to develop the negative of the photograph
   (D) to re-take the photograph

42 What had the photographer done to the picture?
   (A) He gilded the photograph
   (B) He changed the narrator’s features
   (C) He retouched it as per the narrator’s request
   (D) He altered the narrator’s ears

43 How did the narrator react to the picture shown to him?
   (A) with enthusiasm
   (B) with sadness
   (C) with surprise
   (D) with uncertainty

44 The antonym of ‘contract’ is
   (A) close   (B) expand
   (C) shut    (D) open

45 What does the inn offer in the poem ‘Up-hill’?
   (A) labour and comfort
   (B) rest and labour
   (C) comfort and security
   (D) security and darkness

46 Who is the author of the lesson ‘With the Photographer’?
   (A) Katherine Mansfield
   (B) Judy Brady
   (C) M. K. Gandhi
   (D) Stephen Leacock

47 What is the verb of ‘action’?
   (A) active    (B) actual
   (C) actually  (D) act

48 In the poem ‘Up-hill’, who are the wayfarers ‘who have gone before’?
   (A) the living
   (B) the dead
   (C) travel companions
   (D) the unborn

49 The poem ‘Up-hill’ provides _______ to the faithful.
   (A) despair and reassurance
   (B) strength and rest
   (C) hope and reassurance
   (D) rest and reward

50 We visited the school founded _______ Tagore.
   (A) in
   (B) on
   (C) with
   (D) by
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   (A) to ask for information about a business organization
   (B) to ask for a catalogue or a price list
   (C) all of these
   (D) to find out if there are opportunities for business collaboration

2. Which of the following is not a feature of a good business letter?
   (A) abrupt
   (B) formal
   (C) courteous
   (D) precise

3. What is the ‘letter of order’?
   (A) a letter commanding a certain mode of action
   (B) a letter providing receipt for an order
   (C) a letter initiating the purchase of a product
   (D) a letter enquiring about a certain product

4. Which of these sources are not employed by business to provide information about their products?
   (A) advertisements
   (B) mail order forms
   (C) word-of-mouth
   (D) catalogues

5. Notices are always displayed in...........
   (A) secluded places
   (B) crowded places
   (C) private places
   (D) public places

6. A ________ is a planned programme of a meeting.
   (A) minutes  (B) agenda
   (C) report   (D) notice

7. Who is responsible for the preparation of an agenda?
   (A) Treasurer
   (B) President
   (C) Secretary
   (D) Chairperson

8. The formal report of the work accomplished during a meeting is called__________.
   (A) agenda   (B) report
   (C) notice   (D) minutes

9. Which of these is an important part of a notice?
   (A) Font size
   (B) Heading
   (C) Prizes
   (D) Pictures

10. Rs. 10,000 a month _______ a good salary for a beginner.
    (A) were  (B) are
    (C) will  (D) is
11 After how many years of being a film maker was this piece written?
   (A) 10
   (B) 15
   (C) 20
   (D) 5

12 Who or what is the subject of the poem She Walks in Beauty?
   (A) A woman
   (B) The moon
   (C) The personification of an abstract quality
   (D) The flower

13 What did Nooyi’s early career as a product manager and strategy consultant teach her?
   (A) to solve a problem in the context of its environment
   (B) to zoom in and out of a problem
   (C) to zoom back to solve the problem
   (D) to think of a problem in micro terms

14 What does C.V. Raman refer to as ‘the elixir of life’?
   (A) Amrita
   (B) the Nile
   (C) Water
   (D) Soma

15 Nooyi’s journey to the top of the corporate ladder has been characterized by
   (A) greed and corruption
   (B) perseverance and faith
   (C) ambition and innovation
   (D) hard work and innovation

16 What time of the day is the poem Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening set in?
   (A) evening
   (B) morning
   (C) afternoon
   (D) night

17 What question does the poet ask in the first line of the poem Leisure?
   (A) What is the point of life if we cannot enjoy it?
   (B) How can we waste our time staring out of the window?
   (C) What is the purpose of life?
   (D) How are we so busy all the time?
18. One of the most frequent questions Satyajit Ray was asked during interviews was.....
   (A) how and why he came into films
   (B) why he travelled abroad
   (C) how he came to write books
   (D) where he was born

19. What was the 'sea of billowing sand' that Raman saw on his travels?
   (A) the Valley of the Nile
   (B) the Libyan Desert
   (C) the land of Egypt
   (D) the Sahara Desert

20. What does the poet mean when he says She walks in Beauty?
   (A) Her walk is beautiful to look at
   (B) She wears beautiful sandals
   (C) Her personality and her looks are beautiful
   (D) She walks in a beautiful place

21. Where does the speaker stop in the poem Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening?
   (A) between the village and the farm house
   (B) between the farm house and the lake
   (C) between the woods and the lake
   (D) between the wood and the farm house

22. Where does the poet wish to stand in the poem Leisure?
   (A) in the river
   (B) on the mountain
   (C) on the beach
   (D) under the trees

23. How did Ray begin his career?
   (A) as a writer
   (B) as a graphic designer
   (C) as a poet
   (D) as an actor

24. Egypt is the creation of........
   (A) the great flood
   (B) the Valley of the Nile
   (C) life-giving water
   (D) the Nile
25  What happened to PepsiCo’s fast food division?
   (A) It was merged with the Pepsi Bottling Group
   (B) It was divested by Yum! Brands, Inc.
   (C) It was acquired along with Tropicana, Quaker Oats and Wimm-Bill-Dann
   (D) It was sold off and became an independent company

26  What does the poet compare her beauty to in the poem She walks in Beauty?
   (A) a temperate climate
   (B) a cloudless, starry night
   (C) a tender light from heaven
   (D) a place with a clear skies

27  Who is the poet of the poem Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening?
   (A) Robert Frost
   (B) W. H. Davies
   (C) S. Joseph
   (D) Lord Byron

28  What does the poet wish to do like sheep and cows in the poem Leisure?
   (A) sleep beneath boughs
   (B) gaze meditatively
   (C) graze peacefully
   (D) stand beneath boughs

29  In Ray’s opinion, films and advertising are similar fields because........
   (A) they both utilize music
   (B) they both need a lot of money
   (C) they are both creative fields where artists express themselves aesthetically
   (D) they both deal with lighting

30  The tanks found in South India are filled by
   (A) water from the Cauvery
   (B) rain water
   (C) artesian water
   (D) sea water
31 Which of these is the chief indicator of Nooyi’s continuing influence in the corporate world?
(A) She has been awarded many honorary degrees and awards, including the Padmabhushan.
(B) She is frequently featured in Forbes and Fortune magazine’s list of top businesswomen.
(C) The USA awarded her American citizenship and appointed her as a Chairperson of the US-India Business Council.
(D) She was made Chairperson of the PepsiCo Board and its Chief Executive Officer.

32 Where are the subject’s thoughts reflected in the poem She Walks in Beauty?
(A) in her mind
(B) in the poet’s imagination
(C) in a mirror
(D) on her face

33 What is the rhyme scheme of the poem Stopping By Woods on a Snowy Evening?
(A) AABA BBCB CCDC DDDD
(B) ABAB BCBC CDCD EEEE
(C) ABCB BBCB ABCB DDDD
(D) AABA AABA AABA CCCC

34 Who is the ‘he’ the speaker refers to in the first stanza of the poem Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening?
(A) the owner of the village
(B) the owner of the woods
(C) the owner of the lake
(D) the owner of the farm house

35 What does the poet imagine doing when passing through wood in the poem Leisure?
(A) watch sheep or cows
(B) watch streams of water
(C) watch the skies at night
(D) watch squirrels
36 How does Ray refer to cinema?
(A) a fool’s errand
(B) art for the people, by the people
(C) art for art’s sake
(D) the highest form of commercial art

37 Rain-fed tanks are responsible for the cultivation of which crop in Mysore?
(A) jowar
(B) corn
(C) rice
(D) wheat

38 What fact validated Nooyi’s restructuring of the company?
(A) The company’s revenues have risen steadily along with a rise in its production.
(B) The company’s revenue rose despite a worldwide decline in the demand for sugary drinks.
(C) The company’s revenues have mirrored the global slowdown in the consumption of sugary drinks.
(D) The company’s revenues have more than doubled in spite of a decline in its net profit.

39 What contrasting set of imagery is prominently featured in She Walks in Beauty?
(A) light and darkness
(B) goodness and evil
(C) innocence and experience
(D) beauty and ugliness

40 Why does the speaker stop near the woods in the poem Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening?
(A) to look for a farm house
(B) to feed his horse
(C) to watch the snowfall
(D) to rest from his journey
41 What do the squirrels in the woods do?
   (A) hide nuts in the grass
   (B) dance in the woods
   (C) stand and stare
   (D) hide themselves from humans

42 Where did Ray shoot Pather Panchali?
   (A) in the dense mangroves of the Sunderbans
   (B) in the unglamorous backwoods of a Bengali village
   (C) in a dilapidated mansion in Calcutta
   (D) in the pristine backwaters of Kerala

43 Raman won the Nobel Prize for research in the field of __________.
   (A) acoustics       (B) harmonics
   (C) water          (D) optics

44 What advice does Nooyi have for others who wish to succeed like her?
   (A) do an easy job well
   (B) challenge yourself by raising your hand
   (C) become a trusted leader
   (D) volunteer for difficult assignment

45 How does the poet describe her hair in the poem She Walks in Beauty?
   (A) black as a raven
   (B) curly and golden
   (C) black like the night
   (D) long and wavy

46 What does the speaker do when passing by the woods?
   (A) He gives his harness bells a shake
   (B) He pauses his journey
   (C) He stops at a farm house
   (D) He feeds his horse

47 What does the poet mean by the phrase ‘streams full of stars’?
   (A) a stream of small lights floating on the water
   (B) a stream whose waters reflect the light of the sun
   (C) the Milky Way galaxy
   (D) a stream made of stars

48 What was the name of Ray’s first film?
   (A) Ghare Baire       (B) Charulata
   (C) Pather Panchali   (D) Apur Sansar

49 What remains in the water after the heavier particles of soil have settled?
   (A) salt
   (B) fine particles of sand
   (C) nothing
   (D) pebbles

50 Which of Indra Nooyi’s qualities does the essay encourage the reader to emulate?
   (A) her dedication to work and family
   (B) her close bond with her daughters
   (C) her ambition and determination
   (D) her dedication to personal growth