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Section—A : Multiple Choice Questions

PART—I (Core Subject)

Direction (Question Nos. 1–5) : Select the word nearest in meaning to the given words.

1. Temperate

- [A] Moderate
- [B] Drowsy
- [C] Tired
- [D] Hot

2. Concord

- [A] Procession
- [B] Discussion
- [C] Harmony
- [D] Brief

3. Palpitation

- [A] Anger
- [B] Madness
- [C] Weakness
- [D] Rapid heartbeat

4. Litigation

- [A] Complexity
- [B] Lawsuit
- [C] Quarrel
- [D] Clash

5. Innate

- [A] Inborn
- [B] Insecure
- [C] Innocent
- [D] Inappropriate

Direction (Question Nos. 6–10) : Select the word opposite in meaning to the given words.

6. Consent

- [A] Belief
- [B] Agitation
- [C] Dissent
- [D] Anger

7. Ridiculous

- [A] Outrageous
- [B] Sensible
- [C] Cruel
- [D] Calm

8. Impertinence

- [A] Politeness
- [B] Important
- [C] Seriousness
- [D] Thoughtful

9. Eternal

- [A] Long
- [B] Transient
- [C] Perpetual
- [D] Futuristic

10. Cease

- [A] Short
- [B] Catch
- [C] Shrink
- [D] Start

Direction (Question Nos. 11–15) : Read the passage carefully and answer the given questions.

Darrel was busy helping her mother to pack her clothes to take back to boarding-school. Her little sister Felicity was watching, wishing that she too was going with Darrel.

‘Cheer up, Felicity!’ said Darrel. ‘You’ll be coming back with me in September. Won’t she, Mother?’

‘I hope so,’ said her mother.

‘I’ve simply loved the hols,’ said Darrel, as she got into her father’s car, ready to set off to school once more. ‘But I’m glad it’s time for school again. I’ve been eight weeks away from it’!

‘Well, well, how simply terrible!’ said her father. ‘Is your mother ready, or must I hoot? It’s an extraordinary thing that I’m always the first one ready. Ah, here comes Mother!’

Mrs Rivers hurried down the steps. ‘Oh dear, have I kept you waiting?’ she said. ‘The telephone went at the last minute. It was Sally Hope’s mother, Darrel, asking what time we shall be along to pick up Sally and take her with us.’

Sally Hope was Darrel’s best friend. Mr. Rivers, Darrel’s father, was motoring them both to Malory Towers, their school in Cornwall. They were setting off very early so that they would be there before dark, and Sally was going with them.

‘I hate leaving home but I just can’t help being excited at going back again,’ said Darrel. ‘This will be my fifth term at Malory Towers, Mother – and I’m to be in the Second Form. I shall feel grand!’

11. Who was Sally Hope?

- [A] Mrs. Rivers’ cousin
- [B] Darrel’s younger sister
- [C] Darrel’s best friend
- [D] Felicity’s best friend

12. How would you describe Malory Towers?

- [A] A tall building
- [B] Sally Hope’s house
- [C] A hill in Cornwall
- [D] A boarding school

13. Why was Mrs. Rivers late in getting into the car?

- [A] She was busy packing Darrel’s clothing
- [B] She had to answer the phone call from Sally’s mother
- [C] She was thinking of Felicity’s admission to school
- [D] She was busy with putting on her make-up at the last moment

14. ‘Hols’ is an informal expression that means

- [A] hostels in school
- [B] meeting halls
- [C] holidays
- [D] school playground

15. ‘Set off’ is an expression which is used here means

- [A] to start a journey
- [B] to go by motor car
- [C] to keep aside
- [D] to arrange something

Direction (Question Nos. 16–20) : Choose from the options the closest meaning to the following idiomatic expressions.

- 16.** A bird's-eye view
[A] A personal view
[B] A general view from above
[C] A detailed view
[D] A biased view
- 17.** To call a spade a spade
[A] To find meaning in one's action
[B] To appreciate the spadework done by others
[C] To say something serious
[D] To speak the truth bluntly
- 18.** A good Samaritan
[A] A clever person
[B] An honest politician
[C] A compassionate and helpful person
[D] A priest
- 19.** Salad days
[A] Sorrowful days
[B] A period of youth and inexperience
[C] Bitter period of life
[D] Calm and peaceful days
- 20.** A snake in the grass
[A] A very poisonous snake
[B] An unrecognizable enemy or danger
[C] A secret agent
[D] An unreliable person

Direction (Question Nos. 21–25) : Fill in the blanks with the correct options.

- 21.** Is the coffee ____
[A] so cool for you to drink?
[B] cool enough for you to drink?
[C] cool you to drink enough?
[D] too cool that you can drink?
- 22.** In which newspaper, ____
[A] the advertisement appeared?
[B] the advertisement was appeared?
[C] did the advertisement appear?
[D] the advertisement appear?
- 23.** If you had arrived earlier, you ____ me in the bus.
[A] found
[B] would have found
[C] have found
[D] will find
- 24.** He has studied Journalism and Mass Communication ____
[A] for four years
[B] since four years
[C] from four years
[D] from four years ago
- 25.** He asked me ____
[A] where was my book
[B] where is my book
[C] where my book is
[D] where my book was

Direction (Question Nos. 26–30) : Choose the correct answer from the options given.

26. Who among the following was primarily a documentary film maker?
[A] Ritwik Ghatak
[B] Tapan Sinha
[C] Harisadhan Dasgupta
[D] Utpal Dutt
27. Identify the person who was not a Russian writer.
[A] Leo Tolstoy
[B] Anton Chekhov
[C] Bertolt Brecht
[D] Maxim Gorky
28. *Paradise Lost* is an epic poem written by
[A] John Keats
[B] John Milton
[C] William Wordsworth
[D] Alfred Tennyson
29. Identify the painter who was well-known for his paintings of Bengal famine of 1943.
[A] Ramkinkar Baij
[B] Zainul Abedin
[C] Jamini Roy
[D] Gaganendranath Tagore
30. *Prothom Protishruti* (*The First Promise* in English translation) is a novel written by
[A] Mahashweta Devi
[B] Moti Nandi
[C] Nabarun Bhattacharya
[D] Ashapura Devi

31. Choose the novel written by Amitav Ghosh.
[A] *The Hungry Tide*
[B] *The Lowland*
[C] *Tomb of Sand*
[D] *The God of Small Things*
32. Who is the author of the book *the Argumentative Indian*?
[A] Satyajit Ray
[B] Arundhati Roy
[C] Amartya Sen
[D] R. K. Narayan
33. *Sultana's Dream* by Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain is best described as
[A] a feminist utopian fiction
[B] a tragic novel
[C] a romantic tale
[D] a realistic story
34. Who was the music director of Satyajit Ray's film *Pather Panchali*?
[A] Satyajit Ray
[B] Pandit Ravi Shankar
[C] Salil Chowdhury
[D] Bhupen Hazarika
35. Who among the following can be called a twentieth-century British poet?
[A] Robert Browning
[B] William Blake
[C] John Masefield
[D] Ted Hughes

Direction (Question Nos. 36–40) : Read the passage carefully and answer the given questions.

When Gora started on his expedition in the village called Ghosepara, he had with him four companions, Abinash, Motilal, Basanta and Ramapati. Although they loved Gora much, they found it difficult to keep pace with his enthusiasm. Abinash and Basanta returned to Calcutta after the first few days on the plea of ill-health. However, the villagers would crowd round to listen to Gora and were unwilling to part with him.

This was the first time Gora had seen what the condition of his country was like, outside the well-to-do and cultured society of Calcutta. How divided, how narrow, how weak was this vast expanse of rural India, how supinely unconscious of its own power, how ignorant and indifferent as to its own welfare! What gulfs of social separation yawned between villages only a few miles apart. What a host of self-imposed imaginary obstacles prevented them from taking their place in the grand commerce of the world. The most trivial things looked so big to them; the least of their traditions seemed so unbreakable. Without such an opportunity to see it for himself, Gora would never have been able to imagine how inert were their minds, how petty their lives, how feeble their efforts...

What, however, astonished Gora most was to find neither Motilal nor Ramapati seemed to be the least disturbed by all that they were seeing – rather they appeared to regard Gora's perturbation as uncalled for. "This is how the poor are accustomed to live," they said to themselves." They even thought it mere sentimentality to be so concerned about a better life for them. But to Gora it was a constant agony to be brought face to face with this terrible load of ignorance, apathy and suffering, which had overwhelmed rich and poor, learned and

ignorant alike, and clogged their advance at every step. Then Motilal received the news of the illness of a relative and left for home, so that Ramapati alone remained with Gora. As these two proceeded they came to a Muslim village on the bank of a river. [*Gora*, Chapter 26]

36. Who remained with Gora till the end of their expedition?

[A] Abinash and Ramapati

[B] Motilal and Ramapati

[C] Only Ramapati

[D] Basanta and Ramapati

37. Gora for the first time realized that the rural India was

[A] well-to-do and cultured

[B] divided, narrow and weak

[C] conscious of its power

[D] able to participate in the important affairs of the world

38. Motilal left for home in Calcutta because

- [A] he was ill
- [B] he was unable to cope with Gora's enthusiasm
- [C] he got the news of the illness of a relative
- [D] he did not like Gora

39. Select the statement which is true.

- [A] The village people could easily break their traditions.
- [B] The village people were able to make strong efforts.
- [C] Ignorance, apathy and suffering prevented the progress of the villagers.
- [D] Ramapati and Motilal were disturbed by the suffering of the villagers.

40. It was just sentimentality to be concerned with need for a better life for the rural people. This was the view of

- [A] Abinash, Motilal, Basanta and Ramapati
- [B] Motilal and Ramapati
- [C] Gora and Ramapati
- [D] Gora and Motilal

Direction (Question Nos. 41–50) : Choose the correct option and fill in the blank.

41. A _____ of lectures.

- [A] series
- [B] choir
- [C] pack
- [D] heap

42. A _____ of stars

- [A] drove
- [B] bundle
- [C] fleet
- [D] constellation

43. _____ of drums

- [A] Jingling
- [B] Rustling
- [C] Beating
- [D] Tinkling

44. The _____ of engines

- [A] rippling
- [B] whistling
- [C] flapping
- [D] clapping

45. Leela insisted _____ having Sidda's company.

- [A] over
- [B] upon
- [C] to
- [D] with

46. Ann was happy to be ____ friends again.

- [A] among
- [B] between
- [C] along
- [D] besides

47. Geology is the scientific study of ____

- [A] the atmosphere of the earth and the weather
- [B] the earth including the origin and history of the rocks and soil
- [C] plants, trees, seas and rivers
- [D] animals, insects and cells

48. A person who always expects good things to happen is called a/an ____

- [A] omniscient
- [B] cosmopolitan
- [C] pessimist
- [D] optimist

49. Animals living on meat are called ____

- [A] aquatic animals
- [B] omnivorous animals
- [C] carnivorous animals
- [D] herbivorous animals

50. 'Shall I compare thee to a ____ day?'

- [A] summers
- [B] sammur's
- [C] summer's
- [D] summar's

Direction (Question Nos. 51–54) : Identify that part of the sentence which has a grammatical error in it.

51. [A] One of the most vivid memory

[B] of my childhood

[C] is of the two men

[D] discussing spiritual matters

52. [A] Neither Leo Tolstoy

[B] nor Anton Chekhov

[C] were born

[D] in Moscow

53. [A] The driver of that car

[B] is sounding his horn

[C] for

[D] the last ten minutes

54. [A] If I am you

[B] I would plant

[C] some trees

[D] round the house

PART—II

(Islamic History and Culture, General English & General Knowledge)

55. The angel who brings message to the Prophets is

নবীদের নিকট যে ফেরেশতা ঐশী প্রত্যাদেশ নিয়ে আসেন, তিনি হলেন

- [A] Jibreel
- [B] Malaika
- [C] Mikhail
- [D] Munkar

56. Muslims greet saying

মুসলিমরা কী বলে শুভেচ্ছা জ্ঞাপন করেন?

- [A] Inshallah
- [B] Mashaallah
- [C] Subhanallah
- [D] As-salamu alaykum

57. The first man according to Islam is

ইসলাম অনুসারে প্রথম মানুষ হলেন

- [A] Noah
- [B] Adam
- [C] Idrees
- [D] Seesh

58. Muslims around the world pray facing towards

বিশ্বের মুসলিমরা কোন্ অভিমুখে প্রার্থনা করেন?

- [A] West
- [B] East
- [C] Kaaba
- [D] Al-aqsa

59. Father of Hazrat Muhammad (PBUH) died

হজরত মুহম্মদ (সাঃ) এর পিতা পরলোক গমন করেন

- [A] before his birth
- [B] soon after his birth
- [C] after he grew up
- [D] after getting prophethood

60. Mother's name of Prophet Jesus is

নবী ঈসা (আ.) এর মায়ের নাম

- [A] Eve
- [B] Sara
- [C] Hajera
- [D] Mariam

61. Lunar year is of ____ days.

চান্দ্র বৎসর ____ দিনে হয়।

- [A] 354
- [B] 365
- [C] 366
- [D] 374

62. Muslims prefer to break their fast with

মুসলিমরা কী দিয়ে রোযা সমাপ্ত করতে পছন্দ করেন?

- [A] apple
- [B] honey
- [C] dates
- [D] banana

63. Hajj is performed in the city of

হজ পালিত হয় ____ শহরে।

- [A] Jerusalem
- [B] Morocco
- [C] Madina
- [D] Makka

64. Al-Siddiq was the honorific title of

আস-সিদ্দিক কার সাম্মানিক নাম ছিল?

- [A] Abu Bakr
- [B] Abu Ubaida
- [C] Abu Talha
- [D] Abu Hurairah

65. When do we pray Fajr?

আমরা কখন ফজরের নামাজ পড়ি?

- [A] Midnight
- [B] Before Sunrise
- [C] After Sunrise
- [D] At Evening

66. What is the first month of Islamic calendar?

ইসলামী ক্যালেন্ডারের প্রথম মাস কী?

- [A] Shawwal
- [B] Muharram
- [C] Dhul Qadah
- [D] Dhul Hijjah

67. What are the companions of the Prophet Muhammad (SAW) called?

নবী মুহাম্মদ (সাঃ) এর সাহাবীদের কী বলা হয়?

- [A] Imams
- [B] Sahaba
- [C] Ansar
- [D] Muajjeen

68. How many pillars of Islam are there?

ইসলামের স্তম্ভ কয়টি?

- [A] One
- [B] Two
- [C] Three
- [D] Five

69. On what day, will the day of Judgement be established?

বিচার দিবস কোন্ দিনে প্রতিষ্ঠিত হবে?

- [A] Friday
- [B] Saturday
- [C] Sunday
- [D] Monday

70. During which month do Muslims fast from sunrise to sunset?

কোন মাসে মুসলমানরা সূর্যোদয় থেকে সূর্যাস্ত পর্যন্ত উপবাস করে?

- [A] Dhul Hijjah
- [B] Muharram
- [C] Ramadan
- [D] Shawwal

71. How many names known to mankind does Allah (SWT) have?

আল্লাহ সুবহানাহু ওয়া তায়ালা কতগুলো নাম মানবজাতির কাছে পরিচিত?

- [A] 99
- [B] 105
- [C] 1
- [D] 25

72. Who built the Kaaba?

কাবা কে নির্মাণ করেন?

- [A] Ibrahim (AS)
- [B] Ibrahim (AS) and Ismael (AS)
- [C] Lut (AS)
- [D] Isha (AS)

73. Which Prophet was born without a father?

কোন নবী পিতা ছাড়া জন্মগ্রহণ করেছিলেন?

- [A] Isha (AS)
- [B] Hud (AS)
- [C] Yahya (AS)
- [D] Zakariya (AS)

74. Which tool did Ibrahim (AS) use to destroy the idols?

ইব্রাহিম (আঃ) মূর্তি ধ্বংস করার জন্য কোন হাতিয়ার ব্যবহার করেছিলেন?

- [A] Hammer
- [B] Axe
- [C] Fire
- [D] Stone

75. Tamal's parents were pleasantly surprised when he turned over a new leaf and started taking his studies seriously. The meaning of the underlined expression is

- [A] to reform and begin afresh
- [B] to come out of difficulties
- [C] to ignore all troubles
- [D] to emerge safely out of danger

76. Choose the correct meaning of the underlined homograph in the following sentence :

The cabinet is too strong to be overthrown this time.

- [A] cupboard
- [B] committee of ministers
- [C] container
- [D] case

77. Every morning, I take the bus _____ office.

Fill in the blank with the appropriate preposition.

- [A] for
- [B] at
- [C] to
- [D] on

78. The word nearest in meaning to 'JOYOUS' is

- [A] Ecstatic
- [B] Active
- [C] Charming
- [D] Inclined

79. The study of humans is called

- [A] Anthropology
- [B] Gynecology
- [C] Anatomy
- [D] Biology

80. Which country is known as the 'Land of the Rising Sun'?

কোন দেশকে 'উদীয়মান সূর্যের দেশ' বলা হয়?

- [A] China
- [B] South Korea
- [C] Japan
- [D] Thailand

81. Who invented the telephone?

টেলিফোন কে আবিষ্কার করেছেন?

- [A] Thomas Edison
- [B] Alexander Graham Bell
- [C] Nikola Tesla
- [D] Isaac Newton

82. What is the largest organ in the human body?

মানবদেহের বৃহত্তম অঙ্গ কোনটি?

- [A] Heart
- [B] Liver
- [C] Brain
- [D] Skin

83. Which State has the longest coastal line in India?

ভারতের কোন রাজ্যে সবচেয়ে দীর্ঘ উপকূলরেখা রয়েছে?

- [A] Gujarat
- [B] Kerala
- [C] Karnataka
- [D] West Bengal

84. Which is the smallest country in the world?

পৃথিবীর ক্ষুদ্রতম দেশ কোনটি?

- [A] Vatican City
- [B] Bhutan
- [C] Nepal
- [D] Sri Lanka

Section—B : Descriptive Questions on Core Subject

Answer the following in brief within the space provided in the OMR Answer Sheet :

- 85.** Write a paragraph on *any one* of the following topics : 8
- (a) Your most memorable journey by train
 - (b) Literature and Environment
 - (c) The season you like most
- 86.** Attempt a story beginning with the following line : 8
- I slowly realized that I had left my mobile phone in the taxi.

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