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Booklet No.

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TIME ALLOWED: ONE HOUR

MAXIMUM MARKS: 100

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

1. IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE EXAMINATION, CANDIDATE SHOULD CHECK THAT THIS TEST BOOKLET DOES NOT HAVE ANY UNPRINTED OR TORN OR MISSING PAGES OR ITEMS, ETC. IF SO, GET IT REPLACED BY A COMPLETE TEST BOOKLET.
2. Please note that it is the candidate's responsibility to encode and fill in the Roll Number, Application No. and Test Booklet Series A, B, C or D carefully and without any omission or discrepancy at the appropriate places in the OMR Answer Sheet with blue or black ball pen. Any error detected in the scanned data of the Answer Sheet due to wrong encoding of either Application No. or Roll No. or both by the candidate, his / her Answer Sheet shall not be evaluated and shall be rejected straight away.
3. You have to enter your Roll Number in the space provided in the Test Booklet. DO NOT write anything else on the Test Booklet. Sheet(s) for rough work is / are appended in the Test Booklet at the end.
4. This Test Booklet contains 50 questions (items). Each question (item) comprises four (A, B, C, D) responses / answers. You will have to encode/blacken on the circle of the option with blue / black ball pen which you think, is correct in OMR answer sheet. You will select the response which you want to mark on the OMR Answer Sheet. In case you feel that there is more than one correct response, mark the response which you consider the best. In any case, choose ONLY ONE response for each question (item). **IN CASE THE CANDIDATE DOES NOT WANT TO ANSWER A QUESTION TO AVOID NEGATIVE MARKING, HE / SHE SHALL HAVE TO ENCODE / BLACKEN THE OPTION "E" IN THE OMR ANSWER SHEET AS UNDER:-**

Response				If you do not want to answer a question, darken the option ⑤.
Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ
IF ANY ANSWER IS LEFT BLANK AND NONE OF THE OPTION IS ENCIRCLED / BLACKENED, THEN IT WILL ALSO RESULT IN NEGATIVE MARKING.				

5. You shall have to mark responses ONLY on the separate OMR Answer Sheet provided. See directions in the OMR Answer Sheet. All items carry equal marks.
6. Before you proceed to mark in the Answer Sheet the response to various items in the Test Booklet, you have to fill in some particulars in the OMR Answer Sheet as per entries given in their downloaded Admission Letter.
7. After you have completed filling in all your responses on the OMR Answer Sheet and the examination has concluded, you will have to hand over the Original Copy of Answer Sheet to the Invigilator only. You are permitted to take away with you Test Booklet & Candidate's Copy of OMR Answer Sheet.
8. There shall be **NEGATIVE** marking for wrong answer(s) marked by the candidate as under:-
 - (a) For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, one fourth (0.25) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
 - (b) If a candidate gives more than one answer, it will be treated as a wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct and there will be same penalty as above for that question also i.e. one fourth (0.25) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
 - (c) If a question is left blank i.e. no circle is blackened / encoded by the candidate, there will be same penalty as above for that question i.e. one fourth (0.25) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
 - (d) Where there are two correct answers instead of one correct answer out of four options (A, B, C, D) of a question, all those candidates who will encircle / blacken any one of these two correct answers will be awarded marks allotted to that question.
9. No marks shall be awarded for scrapped question. If there is any difference in English and Hindi version of the question and answer option, the English version shall be treated as correct and final.

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1. Who among the following has authored the book, “Kangra Painting”?
 (A) M.S. Randhawa (B) Man Mohan Singh
 (C) M.R. Thakur (D) Narah Richards
2. Name the districts where Trout farms have been set up in Himachal Pradesh:
 1. Barot (Mandi) 2. Dhamwari (Shimla)
 3. Holi (Chamba) 4. Nalagarh (Solan)
 (A) 1 & 4 (B) 2 & 4 (C) 1,2, & 4 (D) 1,2, & 3
3. What was the name of the daughter after whom Sahil Varman had named the Chamba town of Himachal Pradesh?
 (A) Champakali (B) Champadevi (C) Champavati (D) Chambakumari
4. Who among the following was the first Vice-Chancellor of H.P. University?
 (A) Ram Karan Singh (B) Dr. M.R. Thakur
 (C) Dr. Het Ram Kalia (D) K.L. Sethi
5. Who among the following had laid down the foundation of Mandi in 13th century?
 (A) Surya Sen (B) Bahu Sen (C) Ban Sen (D) Bir Sen
6. In which of the following districts of Himachal Pradesh is the Indian Institute of Technology located?
 (A) Mandi (B) Kullu
 (C) Kangra (D) Sirmaur
7. In which of the following districts of Himachal Pradesh is the Indian Institute of Advanced Study located?
 (A) Shimla (B) Lahaul and Spiti (C) Kinnaur (D) Hamirpur
8. In which year was the Sirmaur Princely State merged in Himachal Pradesh?
 (A) 1955 (B) 1948 (C) 1967 (D) 1972
9. Name the person who organized the Quit India Movement in 1942 in Shimla?
 (A) Raj Kumari Amrit Kaur (B) Mahatma Gandhi
 (C) Bhag Mal Sautha (D) Baba Kanshi Ram
10. Which of the following Forts found a mention in the epic Mahabharata?
 (A) Fatehgarh Fort (B) Kamlah Fort
 (C) Sajanpur Fort (D) Kangra Fort
11. Who among the following is the Chief Justice of HP High Court?
 (A) M.S. Ramachandra Rao (B) Amjad Ahtesham Sayed
 (C) Mohammad Rafiq (D) Lingappa Narayana Swamy

12. As per the census 2011, what is the density (per Sq Km) of population of Himachal Pradesh?
 (A) 124 (B) 123 (C) 125 (D) 126
13. Which of the following passes is the “highest motorable road in the world”?
 (A) Khunjerab Pass (B) Dongkha Pass (C) Nathu La Pass (D) Rohtang Pass
14. Who among the following gave the title of “Pahari Gandhi” to Baba Kanshi Ram?
 (A) Mahatma Gandhi (B) Rabindarnath Tagore
 (C) Jawahar Lal Nehru (D) Sardar Patel
15. Which of the following is the oldest hydro-electric project of Himachal Pradesh?
 (A) Shanon (B) Bhakra (C) Thiroth (D) Baner
16. Who among the following had designed the Olympic symbol of five rings?
 (A) Henri Didon (B) Baron Coubertin
 (C) Carl Jung (D) Craig Crowley
17. Which of the following countries was the runner-up in the 2017 Women’s Cricket World Cup?
 (A) India (B) England (C) Australia (D) New Zealand
18. Which of the following sports is also known as “Whiff-Whaff”?
 (A) Table Tennis (B) Tennis (C) Karate (D) Ludo
19. Which of the following organizations publishes the World Investment Report?
 (A) OECD (B) UNCTAD (C) IMF (D) World Economic Forum
20. Which of the following State governments introduced the mechanism of direct marketing “Krushak Bazar”?
 (A) Odisha (B) Punjab (C) Bihar (D) West Bengal
21. Which of the following statements is correct about NBFC (Non-Banking Finance Company)?
1. NBFC can accept demand deposit.
 2. NBFC can give loan to retail consumers.
 3. NBFC cannot lend more than 25000 in cash against gold.
 4. They are registered under the companies act.
- (A) 3 and 4 (B) 1 and 2 (C) 1, 2 and 3 (D) 1, 2, 3 and 4

22. Which of the following is true about the tenure of the Chairman of the State Public Service Commission?
- (A) 5 years or 65 whichever is earlier. (B) 6 years or 60 whichever is earlier.
(C) 6 years or 62 whichever is earlier. (D) 5 years or 60 whichever is earlier.
23. Which of the following States has recently launched a “Patch Reporting App” to make the roads in the State free of pot holes?
- (A) Maharashtra (B) Bihar
(C) Uttar Pradesh (D) Uttarakhand
24. Which of the following is true about “Comb Jelly” which was recently in news?
- (A) Marine organism (B) Semi-conductor chip
(C) Crypto currency (D) Malware
25. Which one of the following countries has one of the lowest per capita plastic waste production rates as per the Plastic Overshoot Day Report?
- (A) India (B) China (C) Russia (D) Myanmar
26. Which of the following organizations publishes Global Innovation Index?
- (A) IMF (B) WIPO (C) OECD (D) OEEC
27. Which one of the following is the largest source of energy in India?
- (A) Solar (B) Hydro-electric (C) Thermal (D) Nuclear
28. Which of the following countries was known as Rhodesia?
- (A) Zimbabwe (B) South Africa (C) Mozambique (D) Nigeria
29. Which of the following States was recently conferred the “Green champion Award- 2022”?
- (A) Assam (B) Tamil Nadu (C) Meghalaya (D) Arunachal Pradesh
30. Which of the following personalities was recently conferred the “Order of the Nile” award by Egypt?
- (A) Droupadi Murmu (B) Amartya Sen
(C) Rattan Tata (D) Narendra Modi
31. निम्नलिखित में से वह शब्द चुनिए जो उपसर्ग की भिन्नता के कारण अन्य सभी से अलग है –
- (A) निरादर (B) निराश्रित (C) निखार (D) निरामय

32. मुझे हिमालय की सबसे ऊँची चोटी पर स्थित देवता के लिए इस कांवड़ को ले जाना है। इस वाक्य में प्रयुक्त कुल परसर्गों की संख्या है –
- (A) एक (B) दो (C) तीन (D) चार
33. शायद वह मेला घूमने गया है। अर्थ की दृष्टि से वाक्य का प्रकार है –
- (A) निषेधवाचक (B) संदेहवाचक (C) इच्छावाचक (D) संकेतवाचक
34. 'तीन पाव आटा पुल पर रसोई'- लोकोक्ति का अर्थ है –
- (A) ऊँचे स्थान पर रसोई पकाना।
 (B) अल्प साधनों का अधिक दिखावा।
 (C) जब आटा कम हो तब पुल पर रसोई बनाना चाहिए।
 (D) रसोई का मजा तो पुल पर ही है।
35. लोग धड़ाधड़ इंजीनियरिंग की पढ़ाई कर रहे हैं किंतु नौकरी दुर्लभ है। रचना की दृष्टि से वाक्य का प्रकार है –
- (A) सरल वाक्य (B) संयुक्त वाक्य (C) मिश्र वाक्य (D) जटिल वाक्य
36. "खुले कोरे पृष्ठ जैसा वही उज्ज्वल वही पावन रूप।" - इन पंक्तियों में प्रयुक्त अलंकार है –
- (A) यमक (B) अनुप्रास (C) उपमा (D) उत्प्रेक्षा
37. 'धनुष को धारण करनेवाले' विग्रह के लिए समस्त पद है –
- (A) धनुषधर (B) धनुर्धर (C) धनूर्धर (D) धुरंधर
38. निम्नलिखित में से कौन-सा शब्द 'कोयल' का पर्यायवाची नहीं है?
- (A) पिक (B) वसंतदूती (C) काकली (D) कोकिला
39. 'कदली' शब्द का अर्थ है –
- (A) कच्ची दलिया (B) नारियल (C) केला (D) कपूर
40. आस्तिक व्यक्ति ही समाज को सही दिशा प्रदान कर सकता है। इस वाक्य में रेखांकित पद विशेषण का प्रकार है –
- (A) परिमाणवाचक (B) संख्यावाचक (C) सार्वनामिक (D) गुणवाचक

41. Choose the right option to fill in the blank.
What ... helping verbs ... in a sentence?
- (A) does, do (B) do, do (C) is, doing (D) are, done
42. Choose the right option to fill in the blank.
The candidate, during his interview, politely said: Can you repeat.... , please?
- (A) a question (B) a questions (C) the question (D) either question
43. Choose the correct indirect form of the following:
Lakshman said to me, "Will you go to Pune if they invite you?"
Choose the correct sentence:
- (A) Lakshman asked me if I want to go to Pune if they invited me.
(B) Lakshman asked me to go to Pune if they invited me.
(C) Lakshman asked me whether I would go to Pune if they invited me.
(D) Lakshman asked me whether I went to Pune if they would invite me.
44. Choose the correct active voice form of the following:
Is the list going to be shared with us by you?
- (A) Are you going to share the list with us?
(B) Are we going to be shared the list with you?
(C) Are you sharing the list with us?
(D) Are we going to get the list shed by you?
45. Arrange the given parts to make a meaningful sentence.
- p. lounge are to be washed
q. to be improved as
r. it's not fast enough
s. the curtains in the visitor
t. and Wi-Fi connection needs
- (A) ptrsq (B) srtqp (C) rqspt (D) sptqr
46. Indicate the antonym of the underlined word.
The examiner asked me to describe some hypothetical situation in the past.
- (A) rare (B) real (C) uncertain (D) imaginary
47. Indicate the synonym of the underlined word.
My friends are so inconsiderate that they'd call me even at 3:00 in the morning.
- (A) insensitive (B) insecure (C) concerned (D) fretful

48. Choose the correct option to complete the statement.
An ... is the one who is involved in a conversation representing someone else.
- (A) distributor (B) mentor (C) interlocutor (D) ambivert
49. Choose the correct sentence.
- (A) Getting used to a strange environment might be difficult at first.
(B) To get use to a strange environment might be difficult at first.
(C) Getting used to be a strange environment might be difficult at first.
(D) I used to a strange environment might be difficult at first.
50. Choose the most appropriate option to complete the conversation.
What would you like to have when you visit a village?
Something I'd like is ...
- (A) to visit in summers (B) because I love winters
(C) to see the greenery (D) the local food

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